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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**Fargo, ND** –For the week ending August 14, 2016, temperatures averaged below normal in the south above normal in the north, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The eastern half of the North Dakota received one to four inches of rain while much of the west received an inch or less. Significant harvest progress continued despite the rain. White mold was reported in the northern part of the State. There were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 15 short, 70 adequate, and 12 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 15 short, 71 adequate, and 11 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 6 poor, 21 fair, 64 good, and 7 excellent. Winter wheat harvested was 87 percent, well ahead of 58 last year.

Durum wheat condition rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 10 fair, 69 good, and 18 excellent. Durum wheat coloring was 92 percent, near 89 last year, and well ahead of 70 five-year average.

Spring wheat condition rated 3 percent very poor, 6 poor, 20 fair, 61 good, and 10 excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 98 percent, near 95 last year, and ahead of 85 average. Harvested was 44 percent, ahead of 37 last year and 26 average.

Barley condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 16 fair, 68 good, and 11 excellent. Barley harvested was 56 percent, near 60 last year, but well ahead of 34 average.

Oats condition rated 4 percent very poor, 8 poor, 23 fair, 60 good, and 5 excellent. Oats harvested was 63 percent, well ahead of 43 last year and 31 average.

Corn condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 17 fair, 63 good, and 16 excellent. Corn silking was 92 percent, behind 98 last year and 96 average. Dough was 49 percent, near 48 last year and ahead of 36 average. Dented was 6 percent, near 2 last year and 5 average.

Soybeans condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 19 fair, 61 good, and 13 excellent. Soybeans setting pods was 86 percent, behind 92 last year, but near 85 average. Dropping leaves was 1 percent, behind 7 last year and 2 average.

Canola condition rated 1 percent very poor, 3 poor, 18 fair, 68 good, and 10 excellent. Canola coloring was 88 percent, near 92 last year, but ahead of 79 average. Harvested was 10 percent, near 14 last year and 8 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 22 fair, 67 good, and 6 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 95 percent, ahead of 90 last year, and well ahead of 73 average. Flowers dried was 8 percent, equal to last year.

Flaxseed condition rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 14 fair, 74 good, and 7 excellent. Flaxseed coloring was 86 percent, behind 91 last year, but well ahead of 61 average.

Dry peas condition rated 2 percent very poor, 4 poor, 13 fair, 69 good, and 12 excellent. Dry peas dropping leaves was 97 percent, near 96 last year. Harvested was 69 percent, ahead of 63 last year and well ahead of 34 average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 7 poor, 27 fair, 50 good, and 9 excellent. Dry edible beans setting pods was 87 percent, near 84 last year and 83 average. Dropping leaves was 7 percent behind 20 last year but the equal to average.

Potatoes condition rated 11 percent very poor, 12 poor, 32 fair, 39 good, and 6 excellent. Potato rows filled was 96 percent, near 98 last year, and 92 average. Vines dry was 7 percent, near 11 last year.

Alfalfa hay condition rated 7 percent very poor, 14 poor, 32 fair, 43 good, and 4 excellent. Alfalfa hay second cutting was 75 percent complete, behind 82 last year, but ahead of 69 average.

Sugarbeets condition rated 3 percent very poor, 5 poor, 25 fair, 55 good, and 12 excellent.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 5 percent very poor, 11 poor, 28 fair, 51 good, and 5 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 5 percent very short, 18 short, 74 adequate, and 3 surplus

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at: http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2016/CropProg-08-15-2016.pdf

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at: <a href="http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps">http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps</a>

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