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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. July 17, 2017 - For the week ending July 16, 2017, dry conditions persisted, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Despite some recent rain, most of North Dakota was experiencing drought conditions. Some producers began haying small grains. Temperatures averaged two to eight degrees above normal in the west, while the east averaged zero to two degrees above normal. There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 32 percent very short, 33 short, 33 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 25 percent very short, 33 short, 40 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 9 percent very poor, 15 poor, 31 fair, 41 good, and 4 excellent. Corn silking was 11 percent, behind 20 for the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 9 percent very poor, 16 poor, 35 fair, 37 good, and 3 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 40 percent, well behind 65 last year, and behind 54 average. Setting pods was 5 percent, behind 17 last year and 12 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 20 percent very poor, 23 poor, 27 fair, 30 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was 70 percent, behind 84 average. Mature was 32 percent. Harvested was 10 percent.

Spring wheat condition rated 21 percent very poor, 19 poor, 28 fair, 28 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat headed was 92 percent, behind 98 last year, but ahead of 87 average. Coloring was 26 percent, well behind 47 last year, and near 29 average.

Barley condition rated 15 percent very poor, 13 poor, 31 fair, 38 good, and 3 excellent. Barley headed was 94 percent, near 98 last year, but ahead of 87 average. Coloring was 40 percent, well behind 61 last year, but ahead of 35 average. Mature was 3 percent.

Oats condition rated 26 percent very poor, 28 poor, 29 fair, 16 good, and 1 excellent. Oats headed was 92 percent, behind 97 last year, but ahead of 86 average. Coloring was 45 percent, behind 54 last year, but ahead of 32 average. Mature was 9 percent.

Sunflowers condition rated 17 percent very poor, 21 poor, 36 fair, 25 good, and 1 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 9 percent, near 13 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 8 percent very poor, 13 poor, 25 fair, 48 good, and 6 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 39 percent, behind 47 last year, and near 43 average.

Durum wheat condition rated 13 percent very poor, 25 poor, 38 fair, 22 good, and 2 excellent. Durum wheat headed was 84 percent, behind 91 last year, but ahead of 69 average. Coloring was 12 percent, behind 26 last year, and equal to average.

Canola condition rated 11 percent very poor, 13 poor, 36 fair, 39 good, and 1 excellent. Canola blooming was 93 percent. Coloring was 16 percent, well behind 38 last year, and near 18 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 20 percent very poor, 22 poor, 36 fair, 21 good, and 1 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 79 percent, behind 89 last year, but ahead of 71 average. Coloring was 10 percent, near 6 last year.

Dry edible peas condition rated 12 percent very poor, 22 poor, 38 fair, 27 good, and 1 excellent. Dry edible peas blooming was 90 percent. Dropping leaves was 18 percent, near 19 last year.

Potato condition rated 5 percent very poor, 10 poor, 20 fair, 51 good, and 14 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 34 percent, well behind 88 last year and 69 average. Rows closed was 6 percent, well behind 28 last year.

Alfalfa condition rated 48 percent very poor, 26 poor, 20 fair, 6 good, and 0 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was 94 percent complete, near 95 last year, but ahead of 87 average. Second cutting was 17 percent, behind 22 last year.

Sugarbeets condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 63 good, and 20 excellent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 42 percent very poor, 32 poor, 19 fair, 6 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 22 percent very short, 34 short, 43 adequate, and 1 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/2017/CropProg-07-17-2017.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?ND>

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