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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. July 31, 2017 - For the week ending July 30, 2017, drought conditions continued to add stress to crops and livestock, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Some areas in the western part of the State received over an inch of rain late in the week, however drought conditions persisted. Some livestock producers have sold cattle because of poor pasture conditions and a lack of hay supplies. Temperatures across the State averaged two to six degrees above normal. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 36 percent very short, 37 short, 26 adequate, and 1 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 29 percent very short, 37 short, 33 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 9 percent very poor, 16 poor, 36 fair, 36 good, and 3 excellent. Corn silking was 63 percent, near 66 last year, and behind 68 for the five-year average. Dough was 3 percent, near 2 last year and 6 average.

Soybean condition rated 8 percent very poor, 16 poor, 42 fair, 33 good, and 1 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 79 percent, behind 90 last year and 88 average. Setting pods was 49 percent, behind 57 both last year and average.

Winter wheat condition rated 23 percent very poor, 25 poor, 26 fair, 26 good, and 0 excellent. Winter wheat coloring was 97 percent, near 95 last year. Mature was 79 percent. Harvested was 32 percent, near 36 last year.

Spring wheat condition rated 22 percent very poor, 22 poor, 27 fair, 25 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat coloring was 78 percent, behind 84 last year, but ahead of 67 average. Harvested was 5 percent, near 3 last year and 7 average.

Barley condition rated 13 percent very poor, 16 poor, 34 fair, 34 good, and 3 excellent. Barley coloring was 88 percent, behind 95 last year, but ahead of 74 average. Mature was 57 percent. Harvested was 9 percent, behind 14 last year and near 10 average.

Oats condition rated 25 percent very poor, 28 poor, 31 fair, 15 good, and 1 excellent. Oats coloring was 86 percent, near 87 last year, but ahead of 71 average. Mature was 55 percent. Harvested was 9 percent, well behind 30 last year, and behind 14 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 18 percent very poor, 26 poor, 38 fair, 17 good, and 1 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 34 percent, well behind 54 last year, but equal to average.

Dry edible beans condition rated 7 percent very poor, 16 poor, 27 fair, 44 good, and 6 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 91 percent, near 90 last year, and ahead of 82 average. Setting pods was 50 percent, behind 63 last year and near 51 average.

Durum wheat condition rated 16 percent very poor, 24 poor, 46 fair, 14 good, and 0 excellent. Durum wheat headed was 95 percent. Coloring was 63 percent, near 60 last year, and ahead of 47 average.

Canola condition rated 15 percent very poor, 23 poor, 29 fair, 32 good, and 1 excellent. Canola coloring was 52 percent, behind 60 last year, but near 49 average.

Flaxseed condition rated 27 percent very poor, 30 poor, 33 fair, 10 good, and 0 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 95 percent. Coloring was 38 percent, behind 46 last year, but ahead of 31 average.

Dry edible peas condition rated 20 percent very poor, 28 poor, 39 fair, 12 good, and 1 excellent. Dry edible peas dropping leaves was 79 percent, ahead of 72 last year. Harvested was 26 percent, ahead of 18 last year.

Potato condition rated 3 percent very poor, 12 poor, 24 fair, 49 good, and 12 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 94 percent. Rows closed was 77 percent, near 76 last year, and ahead of 65 average.

Alfalfa condition rated 43 percent very poor, 29 poor, 23 fair, 5 good, and 0 excellent. Alfalfa second cutting was 50 percent, near 52 last year, but ahead of 40 average.

Sugarbeets condition rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 8 fair, 44 good, and 48 excellent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 46 percent very poor, 32 poor, 17 fair, 5 good, and 0 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 27 percent very short, 39 short, 34 adequate, and 0 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-07-31-2017.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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