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## NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**FARGO, N.D. April 15, 2019** - For the week ending April 14, 2019, there were 0.7 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on April 28th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 6 short, 70 adequate, and 23 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 3 percent very short, 14 short, 69 adequate, and 14 surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Winter wheat condition rated 2 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 67 good, and 3 excellent.

**Livestock Report:** Cattle and calf conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 4 poor, 23 fair, 67 good, and 5 excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 7 percent heavy, 70 average, and 23 light. Calving progress was 54 percent complete, near 56 both last year and for the five-year average.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 33 fair, 58 good, and 6 excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 6 percent heavy, 73 average, and 21 light. Lambing progress was 68 percent complete, behind 76 last year, and near 71 average. Shearing progress was 82 percent complete.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 6 percent very short, 24 short, 65 adequate, and 5 surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 1 percent very short, 5 short, 78 adequate, and 16 surplus.

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

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