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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. March 27, 2023 - For the week ending March 26, 2023, topsoil moisture supplies rated 5% very short, 30% short, 57% adequate, and 8% surplus, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 9% very short, 36% short, 51% adequate, and 4% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 60% fair, 34% good, and 2% excellent.

Livestock Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 40% fair, 49% good, and 3% excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 4% heavy, 69% average, and 27% light. Calving progress was 33% complete, equal to last year.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 3% very poor, 10% poor, 40% fair, 43% good, and 4% excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 3% heavy, 62% average, and 35% light. Lambing progress was 56% complete, ahead of 50% last year. Shearing progress was 70% complete, near 71% last year.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 2% very short, 25% short, 71% adequate, and 2% surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 1% very short, 10% short, 84% adequate, and 5% surplus.

Weekly Reports will begin April 3rd for the 2023 season.

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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