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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. April 3, 2023 - For the week ending April 2, 2023, there were 0.2 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated that, on average, producers intend to begin fieldwork on May 5th. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 3% very short, 20% short, 65% adequate, and 12% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 6% very short, 29% short, 58% adequate, and 7% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0% very poor, 4% poor, 52% fair, 43% good, and 1% excellent. Winter wheat jointed was 3%, near 2% last year.

Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 37% fair, 52% good, and 3% excellent. Cattle and calf death loss rated 3% heavy, 72% average, and 25% light. Calving progress was 39% complete, near 37% last year, and equal to the five-year average.

Sheep and lamb conditions rated 2% very poor, 6% poor, 36% fair, 52% good, and 4% excellent. Sheep and lamb death loss rated 3% heavy, 69% average, and 28% light. Lambing progress was 62% complete, ahead of 53% last year, and near 59% average. Shearing progress was 78% complete, near 74% last year.

Hay and roughage supplies rated 3% very short, 28% short, 67% adequate, and 2% surplus.

Stock water supplies rated 0% very short, 10% short, 86% adequate, and 4% 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.

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at:

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