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## **USDA to Measure Small Grain Production**

Boise, ID – August 30, 2024 – A sample of producers around the country should have received Agricultural Survey questionnaires from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). The agency is taking a comprehensive look into the 2024 production and supply of small grains, including wheat, oats, barley, and rye.

NASS will contact nearly 1,400 Idaho producers to determine 2024 acreage, yield, production, and on-farm stocks for small grain crops. Additionally, NASS will survey commercial grain storage operations to determine estimates of grain stocks stored in any off-farm facility. The data help the industry evaluate export potential and calculate the supply of crops available for the marketing year.

Producers can respond to the Agricultural Survey online at <u>agcounts.usda.gov</u>, by phone, or mail. Producers who have not responded yet, may be contacted by a NASS representative to schedule a time to help fill out the survey.

"NASS safeguards the privacy of respondents by keeping all individual information confidential and publishing the data in aggregate form only, to ensure that no operation or producer can be identified," said Ben Johnson, Idaho State Statistician. "We recognize that this is a hectic time for farmers, and can't thank them enough for their participation, as the information they provide helps U.S. agriculture remain viable and capable."

NASS will publish state and national data in the annual *Small Grains Summary* and quarterly *Grain Stocks* reports September 30 on the NASS website. These survey data also contribute to USDA's World Agricultural Outlook Board's monthly World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates.

All NASS reports are available at <a href="nass.usda.gov/Publications/">nass.usda.gov/Publications/</a>. For more information, call the NASS Northwest Regional Office at (800) 435-5883.

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