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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. October 21, 2024 - For the week ending October 20, 2024, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 37% very short, 44% short, 19% adequate, and 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 28% very short, 41% short, 31% adequate, and 0% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 2% very poor, 7% poor, 25% fair, 54% good, and 12% excellent. Corn mature was 96%, near 99% last year and 94% for the five-year average. Harvested was 56%, ahead of 45% last year and 47% average.

Soybeans harvested was 91%, ahead of 85% last year and 77% average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1% very poor, 15% poor, 26% fair, 49% good, and 9% excellent. Winter wheat planted was 92%, near 93% last year and 95% average. Emerged was 60%, behind 66% last year and 67% average.

Sorghum harvested was 70%, ahead of 61% last year and 60% average.

Sunflower condition rated 5% very poor, 4% poor, 26% fair, 60% good, and 5% excellent. Sunflowers bracts turned brown was 96%, ahead of 86% last year. Harvested was 27%, ahead of 19% last year, and near 24% average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 21% very poor, 30% poor, 25% fair, 24% good, and 0% excellent.

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

Access the National Crop Progress and Condition publication at: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/8336h188j

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