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## SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

**SIoux FALLS, S.D. May 20, 2024** - For the week ending May 19, 2024, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0% very short, 8% short, 80% adequate, and 12% surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1% very short, 9% short, 83% adequate, and 7% surplus.

**Field Crops Report:** Corn planted was 66%, near 68% last year, but ahead of 59% for the five-year average. Emerged was 17%, behind 24% last year, and near 18% average.

Soybeans planted was 37%, behind 48% last year, and near 40% average. Emerged was 7%, near 9% last year and 8% average.

Winter wheat condition rated 1% very poor, 2% poor, 23% fair, 62% good, and 12% excellent. Winter wheat headed was 1%, equal to last year, and near 2% average.

Spring wheat condition rated 2% very poor, 3% poor, 17% fair, 73% good, and 5% excellent. Spring wheat planted was 95%, near 92% last year, and ahead of 88% average. Emerged was 66%, near 63% last year, and ahead of 59% average.

Oats condition rated 0% very poor, 2% poor, 22% fair, 70% good, and 6% excellent. Oats planted was 94%, near 91% last year, and ahead of 86% average. Emerged was 68%, ahead of 62% last year and 59% average.

Sorghum planted was 28%, near 26% last year, and ahead of 17% average.

Sunflowers planted was 1%, near 2% last year and 4% average.

**Pasture and Range Report:** Pasture and range conditions rated 1% very poor, 3% poor, 13% fair, 72% good, and 11% 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.*

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