



## **December 2017 Connections**

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#### **ALBERTA SEED PROCESSORS AGM**



January 17-19, 2018

Westin Hotel, Edmonton

#### Agenda at a glance:

**Managers Meeting Morning of January 17** 

#### **Workshop Afternoon of January 17:**

Select-a session: Board Member 101, which is geared to new or almost new board members and chairmen that have never taken any board training.

Safety Session: Farm Safe Alberta

will be leading the session on how to conduct a hazard assessment of your seed plant or farm, as well as how to craft an emergency response plan: This session is focused on all seed plant staff, as well as directors. Be sure to mark your preference on the registration form.

## Business Meeting January 18 & 19

Regional Elections: Regions 1 & 2. **Ladies Program**: "The afternoon version of Paint Night" will be part of the Ladies program, as well as a fun inspiring speaker! Register early.

#### **KEY DATES:**

November 1: Hotel reservations open up.

<u>Alberta Seed Processors Hotel Reservation Link</u>
1800 937 8461 (specify Seed Processors group)

December 15<sup>th</sup>: Hotel reservations close
December 15<sup>th</sup> Last day to submit Resolutions
December 15<sup>th</sup> Last day to receive early registration
& extra meal ticket discount.

#### SGS Buys BioVision SeedLabs

SGS is pleased to announce the acquisition of Biovision Seed Research Ltd., Sherwood Park, Ab Read More Here



#### **New Sampling Document**

Check out the website for the instruction sheet on how to draw a representative sample. Go to seedprocessors.ca & click on the Seed Smart Tab: you'll find it under resources.



Or click here: How to take a sample

#### **FUSARIUM**

Now that Fusarium is in most parts of the province, it's time to ensure all our customers know how to combat the disease.

#### What we can do:

- Submit seed samples to labs: Seed testing is an important tool to ensure farmers know the quality of their seed, and to plan for an appropriate seed treatment.
- 2. Plants are encouraged to host regional Fusarium Best Management information seminars. Need help? Call Monica!

## Notice; Change of Distribution of CDC Pulse CROP Varieties

Saskatchewan Pulse Growers (SPG) has licensed the distribution rights for select Crop Development Centre (CDC) pulse varieties in provinces outside of Saskatchewan to SeCan and SeedNet for a 10-year period. All varieties are protected by Plant Breeder's Rights.

For further information and a listing of the affected varieties, CLICK Here

#### <u>Proposed Changes to the National Seed</u> <u>Industry</u>

SEED SYNERGY is a project of 6 national seed organizations exploring ways to work together to be more effective in advocating for a strong, vibrant Canadian seed sector • The goal is to build a strong, competitive and profitable sector that attracts research, investment and innovation and that is valued for its signification contribution to society • Canadian Seed Trade Association (CSTA) • Canadian Seed Growers' Association (CSGA) • Canadian Seed Institute (CSI) • Commercial Seed Analysts Association of Canada (CSAAC) • Canadian Plant Technology Agency (CPTA) • CropLife Canada are the organizations that are currently involved in the project. At last year's AGM, Lorne Hadley from the CPTA gave an update on the project. This year, Roy Van Wyk from the Canadian Seed Institute will provide further details.

To read more, **Seed Synergy** 



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#### **SAFETY MANAGEMENT**

Shoulda- Woulda- Coulda.

Many plants have the intention of implementing their safety management system, but few actually have taken the time to do so. To be compliant with federal OH&S code, Seed Plants must have an up to date safety management system, which also includes at least one staff member trained in emergency first aid. Safety training will be a component of this year's AGM training session. It is important for directors to understand their responsibility in having policies that relate to the safe operation of all seed/grain processing activities. If you require assistance, please contact Monica in the office.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

## Taber Seed Cleaning Association is seeking a SEED PLANT OPERATOR

Remuneration commensurate with experience. To apply or for more details, contact Joe Hanson at joe.hansontsc@yahoo.ca

## Morinville Seed Cleaning Co-op is seeking a full-time SEED PLANT OPERATOR.

Wage to commensurate with experience. Additional experience in railcar loading beneficial but not necessary.

Please contact Cora Krywko @ 780-939-4021 or send resume to mscp@xplornet.com

#### **EQUIPMENT WANTED**

#### **Grimshaw Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant**

is looking for a gravity table.

Contact: Kelly Diebert (780) 332 4560

#### **EQUIPMENT FOR SALE**

#### **Lougheed Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant**

- 1- 6 row Carter Day indent
- 1- 6 row Precision grader
- 1- 2 row Carter Day indent
- 2- dust collectors
- 1- 10 x 80 foot steel scale

Various legs and conveyors

Call for details 780-386-3771

#### Falher Co-op Seed Plant

Description: Model # B-8 Indent, Two Bank 6 Roll Indent. Included: Drive Motor 5HP 3Phase, Front Spouting, catch trays and drive chains (replaced last year). Asking 8000\$ OBO. All reasonable offers will be considered as we would like to sell before winter hits. Please reply via E-mail. coopseed@telus.net