

# Growing Something Besides Corn and Soybean:

## Production Issues With Alternative Crops

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# For your consideration.....

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Marketing

Plant/harvest equipment

Seed and inoculant

Crop insurance

Herbicide carryover

Crop rotations

Residue management

Limited tolerance for glyphosate

Soil fertility

Transportation

Weed control

Heavy reliance on PRE or PPI

Quality discounts

Disease control

Planting date

Seed treatments

Insects

Field selection

# RMA Rotation Requirements for oilseed crops as of January 2019

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## CANOLA

Insurance will not attach to any acreage on which canola, crambe, chickpeas, dry beans, mustard, rapeseed, or sunflowers have been planted in either of the preceding two crop years (three year rotation) Exception: Black leg Resistant variety

## MUSTARD

In accordance with section 8 of the Mustard Crop Provisions, insurance will not attach to any acreage on which crambe, mustard, canola, chickpeas, dry beans, rapeseed or sunflowers have been planted in the preceding crop year.

## SUNFLOWER

Insurance will not attach to any acreage on which sunflowers, canola, crambe, dry beans, safflowers, mustard, or rapeseed was planted in the previous crop year.

# Canola tolerance to Spartan (sulfentrazone)

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# Background

- **Canola growers rely solely on postemergence herbicides (Glyphosate, Liberty)**
- **Spartan is a soil-applied herbicide that controls broadleaf weeds**
- **Have observed previously that Spartan is weak on mustard species**
- **Spartan is not labeled for use in canola**
- **Current rotation restriction to canola is 12-24 months depending on label**
- **If safe on canola, Spartan could control some Gly-resistant weeds, such as kochia**
- **Could help canola growers not be so reliant on postemergence herbicides**
- **Even if a label is not achievable, the data may be useful to modify rotation restriction to canola**

# Spartan activity in soil

- Spartan is more active (most injury) in soils with:
  - High pH
  - Low organic matter
  - Light texture (e.g., sandy loam)
- High organic matter can serve as a buffer and reduce crop injury in high pH soils.

# Objectives

- **Determine canola tolerance to Spartan at different stages (PRE and early POST)**
- **Evaluate two rates (2 and 4 fl oz)**
- **Four environments (Langdon and Minot, ND; Roseau, MN; Bozeman, MT)**

# Canola tolerance to Spartan (sulfentrazone)

| Treatment  | Rate | Timing   | Yield (lb/A) |        |       |         |
|------------|------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|---------|
|            |      |          | Langdon      | Roseau | Minot | Bozeman |
| No Spartan |      |          | 3270         | 2846   | 1792  | 1602    |
| Spartan    | 2 oz | PRE      | 3139         | ---    | 1782  | 1451    |
| Spartan    | 4 oz | PRE      | 3221         | ---    | 1720  | 1060    |
| Spartan    | 2 oz | Cracking | 3048         | 2712   | 1684  | 1281    |
| Spartan    | 4 oz | Cracking | 2673         | 2467   | 1582  | 1282    |
| Spartan    | 2 oz | 1-leaf   | 3195         | 2806   | 1490  | 1587    |
| Spartan    | 4 oz | 1-leaf   | 3073         | 2780   | 1401  | 1618    |
| Spartan    | 2 oz | 2-3 leaf | 3049         | 2753   | 1610  | 1674    |
| Spartan    | 4 oz | 2-3 leaf | 3218         | 2610   | 1550  | 1622    |
| LSD (0.05) |      |          | 284          | 223    | NS    | 224     |
| CV         |      |          | 6.3          | 5.6    | 9.8   | 10.5    |

Loam  
pH 6.7  
OM 4.8

Loam  
pH 8.3  
OM 4.5

Loam  
pH 7.2  
OM 3.2

Silt Loam  
pH 7.0  
OM 2.6

# Results and Discussion

- Spartan caused some visible injury at all locations.
- Injury was generally greater with 4 oz compared to 2 oz
- We observed a “rep effect” at Minot and Bozeman, with more injury as pH increased. In other words, one rep had a higher pH than another rep.
- Yield was reduced slightly by Spartan in some treatments
- Langdon and Roseau data showed how higher OM can reduce crop injury
- Canola can tolerate Spartan in fields with the right soil characteristics, but unfortunately, soil characteristics vary even within a field.
- Conditions were generally very dry in 2018. We plan to repeat the study in 2019 and hope for more rainfall to evaluate canola tolerance under wetter conditions. Timing of rainfall may influence crop tolerance.

# 2018 Intercropping Trials-NCREC

## E. Eriksmoen

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Long history of intercropping world wide

Current interest in intercropping from soil health and cover crop movement

Anecdotal reports of disease control and synergistic effects

Flax with Chickpea or Lentil

Canola with Pea or Faba

Carinata with Pea or Faba

Safflower with Chickpea

Chickpea with Flax or Safflower

Lentil with Flax

Pea with Canola or Carinata

# 2018 Intercropping Trials-NCREC

## E. Eriksmoen

### Canola

| Intercropping<br>Combination | Visual<br>Stand | Canola<br>Population | Disease | Maturity<br>Date | Plant<br>Height | Test<br>Weight | Oil<br>Content | Canola<br>Yield |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
|                              | %               | plants/A             | %       | August           | inches          | lbs/bu         | %              | lbs/A           |
| Monoculture Canola           | 93 a            | 145,506 a            | 0 a     | 6 a              | 37 a            | 51.0 a         | 41.0 a         | 2361 a          |
| Canola + Dry Pea             | 81 a            | 138,169 a            | 0 a     | 6 a              | 37 a            | 51.0 a         | 41.0 a         | 1409 b          |
| Canola + Faba Bean           | 80 a            | 117,994 a            | 0 a     | 7 a              | 34 a            | 50.9 a         | 40.4 b         | 1370 b          |

Values followed by different letters are statistically different ( $p < 0.05$ )

Planting Date: May 10

Harvest Date: August 28

Variety: Invigor 140P

Planting Rate: 400,000 seeds/A



# Economic Return-Intercropping

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## Gross Financial Return Per Acre

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Monoculture Flax      | \$122 |
| Monoculture Canola    | \$366 |
| Monoculture Safflower | \$141 |
| Monoculture Chickpea  | \$232 |
| Monoculture Dry Pea   | \$179 |
| Monoculture Faba Bean | \$76  |
| Monoculture Lentil    | \$54  |
| Flax + Chickpea       | \$192 |
| Flax + Lentil         | \$92  |
| Canola + Dry Pea      | \$308 |
| Canola + Faba Bean    | \$259 |
| Safflower + Chickpea  | \$143 |



# RMA Rotation Requirements for pulse crops as of January 2019

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## PEA AND LENTIL

Short Version: 2-years out if peas or lentil were planted the previous year and 1-year out if chickpeas or lentils or pea were planted the previous year. Applies to peas, lentils, and chickpeas in cover crop mixes.

## CHICKPEA

Short Version: 3-years out if chickpeas were planted the previous year. Applies to chickpeas in cover crop mixes.

## FAVA

Short Version: 2-years out if fava beans were planted the previous year and 1-year out if any peas, lentils, or chickpeas were planted the previous year. Applies to fava beans, lentils, peas, and chickpeas in cover crop mixes.

# Enhancing Pea Protein thru Management

M. Ostlie CREC

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## Treatments:

Control

Inoculant (300K)

Inoculant (175K)

Inoculant (425K)

40 lb N +inoculant

100 lb N + inoculant

Inoculant + post bloom

Inoculant + post bloom (twice)

# Enhancing Pea Protein thru Management

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| Treatment                      | Phytotoxicity | Stand    | PM   | Test Weight | Yield | Protein | KWT    |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------|------|-------------|-------|---------|--------|
|                                | %             | plants/a | days | lb/bu       | bu/a  | %       | g/1000 |
| Check (no inoculant)           | 0.0           | 334887.2 | 81.3 | 65.3        | 59.6  | 27.58   | 216.9  |
| inoculant only (300 k plant/a) | 0.0           | 356588.3 | 81.8 | 65.4        | 59.9  | 27.27   | 220.5  |
| inoculant 175k plant/a         | 0.0           | 265719.7 | 82.2 | 65.4        | 61.0  | 27.60   | 222.5  |
| inoculant 425 k plant/a        | 0.0           | 445365.5 | 80.3 | 65.2        | 64.6  | 27.78   | 208.8  |
| 40 lb N + inoculant            | 0.0           | 341792.1 | 81.8 | 65.3        | 59.4  | 27.35   | 216.2  |
| 100 lb N + inoculant           | 0.0           | 387167.1 | 81.3 | 65.5        | 59.7  | 27.38   | 215.6  |
| 40 lb N + inoc. + Post bloom N | 0.0           | 351656.3 | 81.7 | 65.4        | 60.3  | 28.32   | 214.3  |
| Desiccation                    | 0.0           | 379769.0 | 81.3 | 65.4        | 62.2  | 27.63   | 210.2  |
| Mean                           |               | 357868.1 | 81.5 | 65.4        | 60.8  | 27.6    | 215.6  |
| LSD (0.05)                     |               | 64116.0  | 1.4  | NS          | NS    | 0.44    | 8.9    |

# Why Enhance Pea Protein?

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## ADM 2019 Pea Contracts Highlights

- 30 bu 'Act of God' contract
- On farm pickup
- Certified seed purchase required
- Option to purchase > 30 bu
- Premium for high protein
- Glyphosate-free during/after
- Rotation requirements

# ADM 2019 Pea Contracts

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## Approved Varieties

CDC Meadow

Agassiz

Durwood

Korando

Salamanca

Spider

## Protein Premium

Basis 24%, a 4.5% premium of contract price (C/P) each 1% over 24.0 to 28.0 prorated each tenth.

# Herbicides in Pulse Rotation

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Pulse crops are not competitive

Generally, pulse crops have limited POST options

Rely heavily on PPE and burndown



# Effect of Seeding Rate, Date, and Herbicides on Lentil

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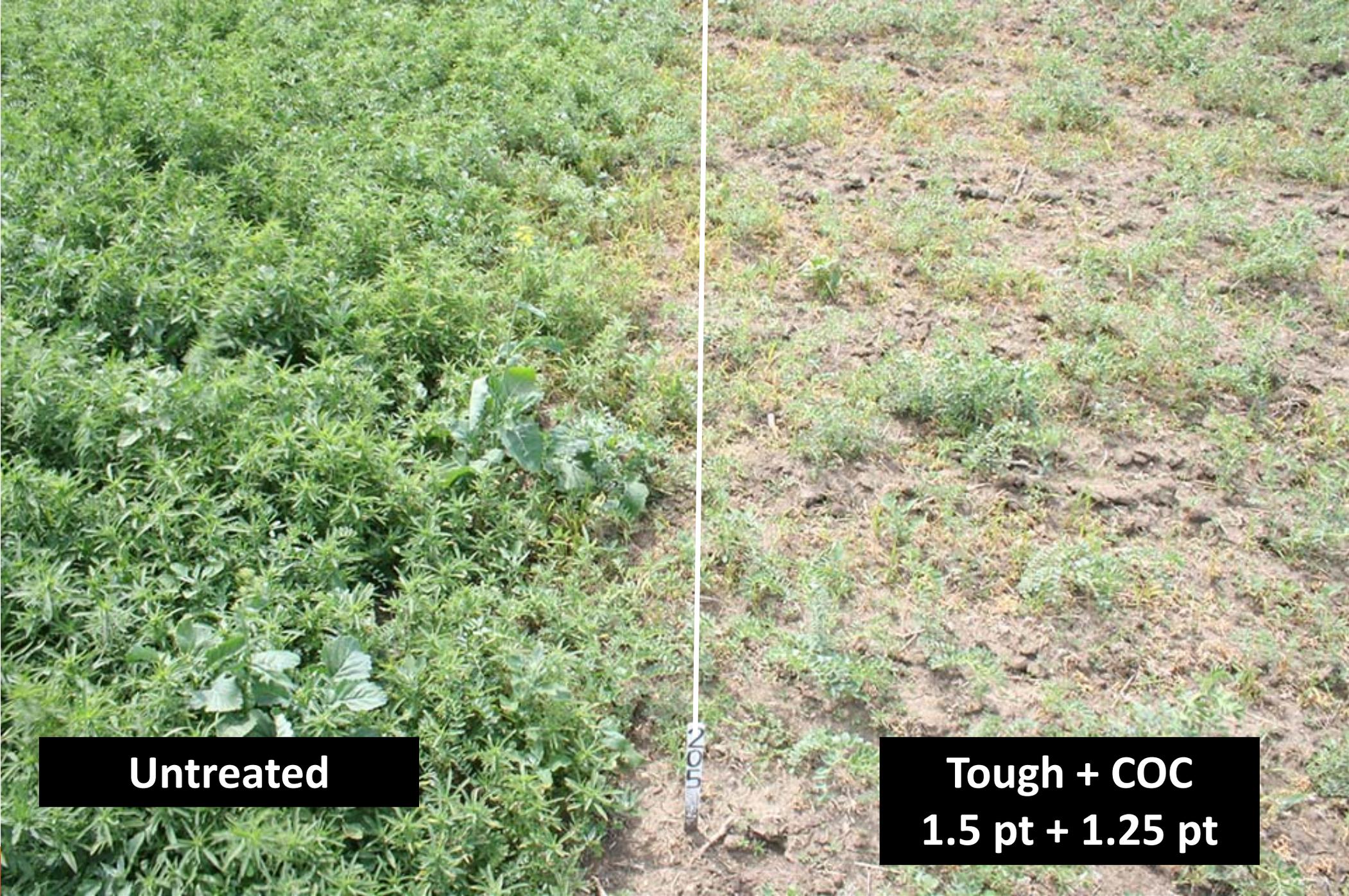
- Jenks, et.al
- Every herbicide causes some lentil injury
- Injury may be chlorosis, stunting, stand reduction
- Can we compensate for stand reduction by increasing seeding rate?

# Impact of Herbicides and Seeding Rate on Lentil Yield and Quality

| Table. Impact of herbicides and seeding rate on lentil yield and quality (1119)                         |                   |        |             |        |        |        |       |
|---|-------------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
|   |                   |        | Lentil      |        |        |        |       |
| Treatment <sup>ab</sup>   | Rate              | Timing | Injury      |        | Height | Yield  | TW    |
|   |                   |        | 9-Jul       | 17-Aug | 4-Aug  | 15-Sep |       |
| 12 Plants per ft <sup>2</sup>   |                   |        | -----%----- |        | cm     | lb/A   | lb/bu |
| Sharpen + Prowl H2O   | 1 fl oz + 3 pt    | PRE    | 23          | 5      | 33.7   | 1068   | 62.8  |
| Prowl   | 3 pt              | PRE    | 17          | 5      | 33.3   | 1182   | 62.8  |
| Sharpen + KIH-485   | 1 fl oz + 0.15 lb | PRE    | 16          | 8      | 34.2   | 1254   | 62.5  |
| KIH-485   | 0.15 lb           | PRE    | 15          | 6      | 35.1   | 1233   | 62.3  |
| Sharpen + Spartan   | 1 fl oz + 3 fl oz | PRE    | 24          | 15     | 31.7   | 799    | 62.8  |
| Spartan   | 3 fl oz           | PRE    | 11          | 7      | 32.4   | 1124   | 62.8  |
| Handweeded  |                   |        | 10          | 3      | 33.8   | 1160   | 62.4  |
| 18 Plants per ft <sup>2</sup>   |                   |        |             |        |        |        |       |
| Sharpen + Prowl H2O   | 1 fl oz + 3 pt    | PRE    | 17          | 2      | 33.5   | 1214   | 62.2  |
| Prowl   | 3 pt              | PRE    | 14          | 2      | 35.8   | 1373   | 62.2  |
| Sharpen + KIH-485   | 1 fl oz + 0.15 lb | PRE    | 16          | 3      | 33.7   | 1282   | 61.6  |
| KIH-485   | 0.15 lb           | PRE    | 10          | 3      | 34.3   | 1358   | 61.6  |
| Sharpen + Spartan   | 1 fl oz + 3 fl oz | PRE    | 20          | 7      | 34.3   | 1336   | 62.1  |
| Spartan   | 3 fl oz           | PRE    | 19          | 5      | 35.3   | 1677   | 62.6  |
| Handweeded  |                   |        | 0           | 0      | 35.3   | 1592   | 62.1  |
| LSD (0.05)  |                   |        | 5           | 5      | NS     | NS     | NS    |
| CV  |                   |        | 24          | 64     | 5.2    | 23     | 1.4   |
| <sup>a</sup> Sharpen applied with MSO (1%) + AMS (2.5%); Beyond applied with NIS (0.25%) + 28% N (2.5%) |                   |        |             |        |        |        |       |
| <sup>b</sup> Beyond (4 fl oz) applied POST to all treatments  |                   |        |             |        |        |        |       |

## Dry pea, lentil, and sunflower tolerance to fall-applied 2,4-D and dicamba

| Treatment   | Rate | Timing | Lentil Injury |
|-------------|------|--------|---------------|
|             |      |        | Aug-9         |
| Untreated   |      |        | 0             |
| 2,4-D-ester | 1 pt | Sep-28 | 0             |
|             | 1 pt | Oct-13 | 0             |
|             | 1 pt | Oct-25 | 0             |
| 2,4-D-ester | 2 pt | Sep-28 | 15            |
|             | 2 pt | Oct-13 | 13            |
|             | 2 pt | Oct-25 | 12            |
| Dicamba     | 4 oz | Sep-28 | 15            |
|             | 4 oz | Oct-13 | 28            |
|             | 4 oz | Oct-25 | 40            |
| Dicamba     | 8 oz | Sep-28 | 42            |
|             | 8 oz | Oct-13 | 53            |
|             | 8 oz | Oct-25 | 75            |
| LSD (0.05)  |      |        | 18.3          |



**Untreated**

**Tough + COC  
1.5 pt + 1.25 pt**



**Weed control in Faba bean**

# Herbicides registered in Faba bean

## Soil-applied

**Spartan Charge**

**Spartan Elite**

**Prowl H2O**

**Dual Magnum**

**Sonalan**

**Treflan**

## POST-applied

**Basagran**

**Varisto**

**Select**

**Assure II**

## Desiccants

**Gramoxone**

**Roundup**

## Faba bean tolerance to PRE and POST herbicides.

| Treatment                                  | Rate                  | Timing     | Injury      |        |       |
|--|-----------------------|------------|-------------|--------|-------|
|  |                       |            | Jun-14      | Jul-16 | Aug-2 |
|  |                       |            | —————%————— |        |       |
| Untreated                                  |                       |            | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Sharpen                                    | 2 oz                  | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Spartan                                    | 4 oz                  | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Spartan + Sharpen                          | 4 oz + 1 fl oz        | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Authority MTZ                              | 12 oz                 | PRE        | 30          | 25     | 26    |
| BroadAxe                                   | 25 oz                 | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Metribuzin                                 | 0.5 lb                | PRE        | 60          | 51     | 52    |
| Prowl H2O                                  | 3 pt                  | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Valor                                      | 2 oz                  | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Fierce                                     | 3 oz                  | PRE        | 0           | 0      | 0     |
| Prowl H2O / Basagran + COC                 | 2 pt / 2 pt + 1.5 pt  | PRE / POST | 9           | 8      | 8     |
| Prowl H2O / Raptor <sup>a</sup>            | 2 pt / 4 fl oz        | PRE / POST | 35          | 22     | 24    |
| Prowl H2O / Basagran + Raptor <sup>b</sup> | 2 pt / 1 pt + 4 fl oz | PRE / POST | 9           | 6      | 6     |
| Tough                                      | 1.5 pt                | POST       | 65          | 49     | 53    |
| LSD (0.05)                                 |                       |            | 6.2         | 12.0   | 12.1  |

<sup>a</sup>Applied with MSO (1.5 pt) and 28% N (2.5%)

<sup>b</sup>Applied with MSO (1.5 pt)

# What about rotation after pulses?

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## Spartan Charge (carfentrazone+sulfentrazone)

- Canola, flax, oat, safflower, sugarbeet

## BroadAxe (metolachlor+sulfentrazone)

- Canola, crambe, oat, sugarbeet

## Pursuit (imazethapyr)

- Canola, crambe, flax, safflower, sunflower, sugarbeet

## Raptor/Beyond (imazamox)

- Barley, canola, crambe, flax, safflower, sugarbeet

# Pulse Benefits to Succeeding Crops

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## Nitrogen contribution to succeeding crops

- Increase yield and protein of cereals
- N fixation
- N released through decomposition

## Non-nitrogen benefits

- Breaks up weed, disease, insect cycles

## Economic benefits

- Year/price dependent

# Questions

