

Welcome to the NDSU Potato Blightline for September 8 sponsored by Syngenta Crop Protection.

Current recommendations:

No new late blight has been reported in ND, MN or MB the past week. The only confirmed late blight this season was in central MN in processing potatoes, and that was late in the season; fungicides applied and fields killed to reduce late blight spread and severity. We have seen a few samples with bacterial soft rot due to some scattered late August rains, and some common scab. Otherwise, our crop looks very good and is of high quality.

We are conducting a blemish disease survey of tablestock potatoes for the ND and MN Specialty Crop Block Grant we received, and would appreciate receiving samples for identification of the cause from as many growers as possible. Send samples to:

Gary Secor, NDSU Dept 7660, Box 6050, Fargo, ND 58108; phone 701.231.8362, email gary.secor@ndsu.edu or give samples to Andy Robinson.

This is the final edition of the 2014 NDSU Potato Blightline. Congratulations on an almost late blight free season. Thank you for using the NDSU Blightline.