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2014 Final Crop Statistics

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2014 Detailed Harvest Data: Yield and Quality by Home Station – 2014 Crop							
Station	Harv Acres	Yield	Sugar %	SLM %	Rec/Ton	Rec/Acre	
Moorhead	12,127	19.6	17.34	1.16	324	6,350	
Hitterdal	7,811	21.3	17.44	1.08	327	6,965	
Lynchburg	4.842	26.8	17.7	1.22	330	8.844	
Kindred	4.417	20.6	16.6	1.26	307	6,324	
Amenia	5,732	24.7	17.62	1.19	329	8,126	
Perley	9.207	25.8	17.55	1.06	330	8,514	
Felton	11,914	21.8	17.13	1.18	319	6,954	
Sabin	4,436	22.3	16.96	1.24	314	7,002	
Glyndon	4,594	18.4	16.84	1.19	313	5,759	
Moorhead Factory	68,200	22.2	17.29	1.16	323	7,171	
Hillsboro	22,979	24.8	17.56	1.1	329	8,159	
Waukon	3,595	21.6	17.29	1.03	325	7,020	
Ada West	5,361	24.5	17.52	1.05	329	8,061	
Ada North	7,596	26.1	17.42	1.04	328	8,561	
Midway	9,010	24.5	17.22	1.13	322	7,889	
Reynolds	17,566	23.9	17.33	1.05	326	7,791	
Hillsboro Factory	65,280	24.3	17.46	1.07	328	7,970	
Crookston	35,620	25	17.43	1.08	327	8,175	
Nielsville	4,319	22.4	17.82	1.09	335	7,504	
Eldred	6,164	25.9	17.4	1.08	326	8,443	
Scandia	7,052	22.4	17.25	1.07	324	7,258	
Warren	9,685	22.9	17.52	1.07	329	7,534	
O'Meara	9,543	22.2	17.38	1.04	327	7,259	
Crookston Factory	50,229	25	17.46	1.08	328	8,200	
EGF	38,463	25.7	17.6	1.03	331	8,507	
Ardoch	9.144	24.2	17.36	1.16	324	7,841	
Voss	5,034	25.7	17.23	1.16	321	8,250	
Oslo	6,540	23.3	17.98	1.11	337	7,852	
Argyle	11,325	19.6	17.16	1.16	320	6,272	
Alvarado	11,376	22.8	17.55	1.04	330	7,524	
EGF Factory	105,143	23.7	17.49	1.07	328	7,774	
	25.045	20.5	17.27	1.15	204	6.640	
Drayton MoArthur	35,045	20.5	17.37 17.46	1.15	324	6,642	
McArthur Bathasts	· · ·	19.1		1.1	327	6,246	
Bathgate	9,119	25 24.3	17.35	1.1	325	8,125	
Hamilton	9,834	24.3	17.64 17.44	1.09	331 328	8,043 7.150	
Nash	,					.,	
Grafton	8,587	23.8	17.59	1.1	330	7,854	
Humboldt	11,282	20.7	17.25	1.16	322	6,665	
Stephen	11,326	21.8	17.48	1.17	326	7,107	
St. Thomas	22,064	23.8	17.19	1.08	322	7,664	
Kennedy	9,737	17.9	16.79	1.25	311	5,567	
Drayton Factory	122,361	21.8	17.34	1.13	324	7,063	
RRV	411,213	23.1	17.4	1.1	326	7,531	

Ask David

For prompt answers to your questions and comments, call and leave a message and David Berg or one of his staff will respond to your call as soon as possible.

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Spring Factory District Meetings

Tuesday, April 7 Crookston District 8:00 a.m. Breakfast 8:30 a.m. Meeting Crookston Inn Crookston, MN

Hillsboro District

12:00 p.m. Lunch 12:30 p.m. Meeting St. Rose of Lima Hillsboro, ND

Wednesday, April 8

E. G. F. District 8:00 a.m. Breakfast 8:30 a.m. Meeting Alerus Center Grand Forks, ND

Drayton District

12:00 p.m. Lunch 12:30 p.m. Meeting St. John's Parish Center Grafton, ND

Monday, April 9

8:00 a.m. Breakfast 8:30 a.m. Meeting Ramada Plaza Fargo, ND

When should Betamix be tank-mixed with glyphosate in RR sugarbeet?

Courtesy Dr. Tom Peters (Extension Sugarbeet Agronomist NDSU and U of MN)

American Crystal Sugar is moving Betamix inventory from storage to farms. The obvious questions are should sugarbeet farmers take Betamix and when should they add Betamix to the tankmix? Betamix will last a lifetime provided it is properly stored to ensure it does not freeze. I recommend farmers take Betamix since I believe it will be useful for control of tough-to-control broadleaf weeds in sugarbeet.

Betamix is a postemergence herbicide for the control of annual broadleaf weeds in sugarbeet including kochia, pigweed species including waterhemp, lambsquarters and common ragweed. Betamix is a contact herbicide that should be applied in spray volumes ranging from 15 to 20 gallons per acre and at a spray pressure to ensure good coverage to small, actively growing weeds. Oil adjuvants (Crop Oil Concentrate and Methylated Seed Oil) greatly enhance oil soluble herbicides like Betamix but antagonize glyphosate. MSO based 'high surfactant oil concentrate' adjuvants (HSMOC) contain a higher concentration of surfactant COC and MSO and enhance oil soluble herbicides without decreasing glyphosate activity. Apply oil adjuvants on an area basis (i.e. pt/A) rather than a volume basis (1% v/v).

Sugarbeet injury occasionally occurs from Betamix. Sugarbeet with four true leaves are less susceptible to injury than smaller sugarbeet. Sugarbeet gain additional tolerance as they become larger than the four-leaf stage. Risk of sugarbeet injury is reduced by starting application in late afternoon so cooler temperatures follow application. Risk of injury is increased by factors such as recent flooding, high temperature, and a sudden change from a cool, cloudy environment to a hot, sunny environment.

Consider addition of Betamix to the tank-mix for control of glyphosate resistant weeds including kochia, waterhemp, and common ragweed. While I am unaware of glyphosate resistant lambsquarters, Betamix applied with glyphosate will improve efficacy, especially under dry conditions. Please consider the following suggestions:

Weed	Weed Size	Betamix ¹	Glyphosate ²	Surfactant
Kochia	2 – 3 inch	12 – 34 fl oz/A	22, 28 , 32 fl oz/A	HSMOC + AMS
Waterhemp	2 inch	12 – 34 fl oz/A	22, 28 , 32 fl oz/A	HSMOC + AMS
Common Ragweed	2 – 4 inch	12 – 34 fl oz/A	22, 28 , 32 fl oz/A	HSMOC + AMS
Lambsquarters	2 – 3 inch	12 – 34 fl oz/A	22, 28 , 32 fl oz/A	HSMOC + AMS

¹Betamix at 8-12 fl oz/A on cotyledon, 12-16 fl oz/A on 2-lf, 16-24 fl oz/A on 4-lf and 24-34 fl oz/A on sugarbeet > 6-lf.

²Assumes two glyphosate sprays before V8 sugarbeet. Apply glyphosate at 32 fl oz/A if one application before V8 sugarbeet. Apply glyphosate at 22 fl oz/A after V8 sugarbeet stage. Make repeat application(s) at approximately 14 day intervals.

Addition of ethofumesate at 4 fl oz/A with Betamix plus glyphosate improves control, especially on tough-to-control weeds such as waterhemp and kochia. Use the lower range of the Betamix recommendations as sugarbeet injury maybe greater.