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Trevor Wathen spreads hay for a herd of pregnant cows on his farm near Namaka, Alta. The recent warm, dry weather is a welcome change during his busy calving season. | KEVIN LINK PHOTO

CROP DISEASE

Organic wheat dodges mycotoxin

Prairie organic producers defied conventional wisdom last year by escaping fusarium scourge

BY ROBERT ARNASON BRANDON BUREAU

Cody Straza doesn't understand it. Last year when fusarium head blight plagued thousands of conventional farmers in Saskatchewan, Straza and other organic farmers were seemingly protected from the fungal disease.

Straza grew kamut on his farm near Wood Mountain, Sask., and he had few issues with fusarium or the mycotoxins caused by the disease, such as deoxynivalenol (DON). "It was tested for DON and it was accepted without any question," said Straza, who is vice-president of SaskOrganics.

Fusarium hasn't been a big issue this winter at organic production meetings in Saskatchewan, he added

"In the organic world it's not a priority issue. People are aware of it ... but it's not a hot button topic."

The lack of concern is odd because fusarium and mycotoxins were a massive issue for conventional cereal growers in Saskatchewan last year. The 2016 wheat crop was one of the worst on record for fusarium and DON levels in many crop districts on the Prairies.

The fungus affected all types of wheat, but durum was hit especially hard in Saskatchewan. Some growers are wondering if it's still feasible to grow durum on their farm because many can't meet the standards for mycotoxin contamination. Durum and other cereals must have DON levels below a certain level to enter the food or feed market.

"The risk of fusarium at this point is seriously, seriously impacting

our ability to successfully grow durum wheat," said Levi Wood, president of the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association and a farmer near Regina.

Will Oddie, who also farms near Regina, isn't as worried. Oddie had a successful wheat crop on his organic farm last year, and it was "fusarium free."

Oddie attended a workshop for Saskatchewan organic growers in March and the disease didn't come up.

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CROP DISEASE

Canola council backs off on clubroot biosecurity

Washing and sanitizing machinery no longer emphasized for disease management

BY ROBERT ARNASON BRANDON BUREAU

DAUPHIN, Man. — For years, plant pathologists and agronomists have told prairie farmers to thoroughly wash and sanitize tractors, cultivators and seeders between fields to stop the spread of clubroot.

That isn't happening so the Canola Council of Canada is taking a different approach. Washing and sanitation is still a recommendation, but it's no longer a point of emphasis for clubroot management.

"It works. Absolutely it works. But realistically it's not going to happen," said Dan Orchard, the council's agronomist in central and northern Alberta, who spoke at a Canolab agronomy workshop held March 15-16 in Dauphin, Man.

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PULSE PRODUCTION

Pulse firm expects strong exports to India

Despite reports of a bumper crop, AGT official says India is already looking to book new crop purchases

BY SEAN PRATT SASKATOON NEWSROOM

A major player in the pulse crop industry is casting doubt on the Indian government's report of a bumper harvest.

 $Murad\,Al\text{-}Katib, president\,of\,AGT$ Food and Ingredients, said India is always exaggerating the crop size in an attempt to keep a lid on food price inflation.

"India harvests a large crop every year, but I haven't seen one in the last 10," he told investment analysts on a recent conference call.

According to the latest estimate by India's agriculture department, farmers produced a record 22.14 million tonnes of pulses in 2016-17.

The total includes a record 13.41 million tonnes of the recently harvested rabi crop, which is 14 percent bigger than the five-year aver-

Al-Katib said information provided by his "local market intelligence" indicates the crop is more likely an average crop, which is corroborated by recent buying interest from Indian importers.

"We are seeing import demand resuming for the second and third quarter period and a strong desire by India to book forward for new crop," he said.

"That gives me my best signal on what the prospects are."

Al-Katib also assured analysts that a resolution is coming to a non-tariff trade barrier that threatened to disrupt shipments to India.

The country has a policy requiring all grain shipments to be fumigated with methyl bromide at the country of export to eradicate any stem and bulb nematodes.

It has had an exemption in place since 2004 allowing countries like Canada to fumigate in India instead because it is too cold to fumigate at the port of export.

The latest exemption expires March 31, and India has said it wouldn't be renewed. However, Al-Katib said India is reconsidering because it needs pulses.

"An extension of the exemption we believe is coming," he said.



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"We view this matter as politically motivated by the Indian government in part to support their local production and to try and show the market they're not dependent on

Al-Katib said the reality is India is

dependent on imports. He expects the country to produce four to 4.5 million tonnes of pulses this year, which is about average.

Chuck Penner, analyst with Left-Field Commodity Research, has no problem with India's report of a bumper harvest that has cooled global pulse prices.

He said yields may have been average, but acreage was way up because of sky-high pulse prices at the time of seeding. Prices have since dropped to average levels because of the bountiful harvest.

However, he agreed with Al-Katib that Indian demand is still robust as evidenced by strong new crop prices in Canada.

Red lentils bids are around 25 cents per pound, greens are in the 30 cent range while yellow and green pea bids are in the \$7.50 to \$8 per bushel range.

Those prices are down from last year's new crop bids but they are still attractive.

Despite the strong new crop prices, Penner is forecasting a 15 to 20 percent decline in Canadian lentil acres because growers are fed up with disease problems and haunted by the lingering memory of last year's poor harvest.

He anticipated a five percent bump in total pea acres, although greens will be down because growers typically expect a \$1 to \$2 per bushel premium over yellow peas.

Penner thinks pulse acres will be back to normal levels in India. There has been some speculation of a weak El Nino weather pattern developing by July, which some believe could reduce monsoon rains and Indian pulse yields, but Penner isn't in that camp.

"Even when we had a strong El Nino, it had very little impact as far as I could tell on crops in most parts of the world, so a weak one, I'm not losing any sleep over," he said.

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LOUSY AT HIDE AND SEEK |

A red cow stands out among the pregnant Black Angus cows waiting to move from pasture to corral for the night at the Hutterite colony near Cayley, Alta. | MIKE STURK PHOTO

ECONOMIC RESULTS

Historically poor quality hits pulse processor's bottom line

BY SEAN PRATT SASKATOON NEWSROOM

Poor crop quality, a late harvest and plummeting prices contributed to slumping margins at the end of 2016 for the world's largest pulse processing company.

AGT Food and Ingredients posted margins in its pulse and grain processing segment of \$64.68 gross profit per tonne in the fourth quarter, down from \$92.42 the previous quarter.

"The quality in Canada was more adversely affected than our original estimates," company president Murad Al-Katib told investment analysts during a conference call.

"It did in fact reduce the velocity of our shipping programs and exposed AGT to quality claims and margin pressures."

The late harvest didn't help matters. AGT was unable to deliver product during the agreed upon period in some contracts.

"Discounts were very, very deep. We're not talking about \$10 per tonne discounts. We're talking about \$100 per tonne discounts, \$200 per tonne discounts," he said.

However, perhaps the biggest factor contributing to the slumping margins was the rapid decline in pulse prices.

New crop wholesale lentil sales that started at \$800 per tonne have The quality in Canada was more adversely affected than our original estimates.

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fallen to the mid-to-high \$500 range, which led to millions of dollars in losses for importers and more defaults than usual.

Al-Katib said defaults, quality claims and discounts shaved \$5 million off of earnings for the quarter. He said the problems have largely been dealt with and he is

forecasting strong pulse demand and amortization of \$118.8 million for the second half of 2017.

Margins were also down in the company's bulk handling segment because of a dismal Canadian durum crop, which accounts for about 25 percent of AGT's bulk handling business.

"I don't know if we've historically ever seen durum quality worse than it is this year," said Al-Katib.

Deliveries were slowed by having to blend high vomitoxin durum with better quality crop.

While the fourth quarter had its challenges, Al-Katib was happy with the overall results for 2016.

AGT posted adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation for 2016, an increase of 18 percent over the previous year.

"We're pleased to report a consistent performance for AGT in 2016." Earnings in the high margin food ingredients and packaged food business slumped slightly in the fourth quarter compared to the third quarter, but Al-Katib is confi-

dent business will rebound. He said demand for pulse proteins, flours and starches remains strong in the pet food business and is starting to gain traction in the dairy and extruded snacks side of the human food business.

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GRAIN TRANSPORTATION

Vessel lineups still high in Vancouver

BY BRIAN CROSS
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Vessel lineups at the Port of Vancouver have declined in the past week or so but they are still above historiclevels, according to Canada's

Grain Monitoring Program (GMP).

In its most recent weekly report, the GMP reported that 11 grain vessels had cleared from Port of Vancouver in Week 33 and three others had cleared from the Port of Prince Rupert in northern B.C.

Those clearances reduced vessel lineups to 31 ships at the Port of Vancouver and six at Prince Rupert — numbers that are still well above normal.

Those numbers are high "but the vessel count has really come down," said Mark Hemmes, president of Quorum Corp., the compa-

ny contracted to manage the GMP. "As of (March 24) we were down to 24 boats."

The one-year average at Vancouver is 19 vessels.

Before the 2013-14 crop year, vessel counts in Vancouver were typically in the range of eight to 12.

Hemmes said a number of factors have contributed to historically high vessel numbers at Vancouver.

The most influential factor is

"When you look at what the weather's been like out there for the last 14 to 18 days, it's nuts the amount of rain that they've been getting," Hemmes said.

"The average rainfall (in the first half of March) was about eight millimetres a day.... As a rule of thumb, if you get more than about five millimetres a day, you can count on it affecting ship loading."

Other factors include avalanche and snow-related delays in mountainous areas and low ocean freight

West coast terminals are generally not equipped to load ships in the rain.

Vertical loading systems at some terminals allow for loading spouts, and ship holds to be tented during rainy weather.

But most terminals have angled spouts that make tenting difficult or impossible.

In addition to high vessel numbers, the average time that each vessel stays in port is also up.

Time in port "has been really high in the last three to four months," Hemmes said.

"In January-February, we were at about 18 days, which is horren-

dous. In the 2015 crops year, I think the average was about eight to 10 days."

More ships at port combined with longer waiting times typically point to higher demurrage costs.

Terms for demurrage differ from contract to contract, but they are typically paid by shippers whenever a vessel is forced to wait for an extended period of time to receive its load.

Those payments are usually passed on to individual grain producers, and are reflected through basis levels or built into commodity prices or elevation fees at country delivery points.

It is difficult to estimate how much demurrage charges cost the western Canadian grain industry, but long vessel lineups at the West Coast and longer-than-average wait times are a certain indication that demurrage costs are quickly accumulating.

The current price of a Panamaxsized vessel off the West Coast is estimated at around \$8,700 per day.

In general, demand for ocean freight has been soft for the past year or more, so shippers may be able to negotiate more favourable demurrage terms.

In some cases, ships may forfeit demurrage and stay at anchor for longer periods as they wait for a loading berth.

Wade Sobkowich, executive director of the Western Canadian Grain Elevators Association, said grain movements are still reasonably good, despite loading delays at port and limited available capacity at many country elevator locations.

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Rainy weather can cause huge lineups and loading delays at the Port of Vancouver. | FILE PHOTO

ORGANIC WHEAT DODGES MYCOTOXIN

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"I haven't heard organic producers saying they're going to avoid cereals, particularly wheat, for that reason," said Oddie.

The experience of Oddie, Straza and other organic growers is remarkable, not only because wet weather provided ideal conditions for fusarium in Saskatchewan last year but also because organic farmers don't use fungicides.

David Miller, a Carleton University chemistry professor and globally recognized expert in mycotoxins, said studies and farming experience shows that fungicides are critical when it comes to controlling fusarium and the related toxins in wheat.

"In areas where fusarium head blight is chronic, I would say it was impossible to produce flour at adequate DON levels in a risk year without fungicides," said Miller, who has sat on expert panels for the World Health Organization, the World Bank and the U.S Food and Drug Administration.

"I don't know how, nor does anyone else in the world know how, to effectively produce small grains in risk areas in risk years without fungicides. That's a fact."

If Miller is correct, organic wheat last year in Saskatchewan should have been loaded with mycotoxins, especially wheat grown in the southwestern part of the province, where fusarium was horrific.

But that wasn't the case.

Tristan Gill, a commodity trader with Westaqua Commodity Group, an organic grain buyer in Vancouver, said vomitoxin was an issue for a few organic growers but it wasn't pervasive.

Almost all of the organic wheat that he bought from prairie farmers had acceptable levels of mycotoxins.

"It didn't seem to be a glaring problem.... It was nothing out of the ordinary," Gill said, adding he spoke with flour mills in Regina, British Columbia and the United States that process organic wheat.

"None of them had any issues sourcing products, at all, because of vomitoxin."

Gill admitted it's "counter-intuitive" that farmers who don't spray wheat with a fungicide would have lower levels of fusarium and mycotoxins, but that may have been the case in 2016.

Straza said farmers in his area are also puzzled. They don't understand how the organic system seemingly protected cereal crops from fusarium.

"I've had conventional neighbours call me and ask what the difference is. I can't really explain it," he said.

"But there's no evidence, no proof that one system is resilient to fusarium and the other isn't."

Myriam Fernandez, an Agriculture Canada scientist at Swift Current, Sask., said there are research studies from Europe showing organic systems do have lower levels of fusarium than conventional cereal crops.

"I've been working on fusarium head blight for more than 20 years," she said.

"I've not been able to do the same work here in Canada."

However, for years she has heard stories in Western Canada suggesting that organic growers have fewer problems with fusarium head blight than conventional farmers.

A research study into fusarium root rot found that fusarium fungi were present at higher levels in conventional than organic crops.

"It's not only fusarium head blight. It's also other diseases that are present at lower levels (in organic), and nobody knows (exactly) why that is."

However, organic farmers in Canada aren't doing research on fusarium head blight because they aren't worried about it.

Straza heads up the research committee at SaskOrganics, and last fall the organization polled its members about research funding.

Farmers said they wanted Sask-Organics to support research on things like soil health, but fusarium wasn't a priority.

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SEEDING

Farmers may have tough time sourcing durum seed

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The last two growing seasons have been tough for many durum growers, and quality seed is now very hard to come by.

Bruce Carriere of Discovery Seed Labs said he expects durum acres to decline because of lack of seed.

"We were estimating back in January 20 to 25 percent (reduction in acres), but we think it could be even higher than that. Thirty-five percent is one number I've heard routinely, 40 percent I've heard a few times," said Carriere.

The average durum germ of the seeds submitted to Discovery Seed Labs have been around 71 to 72 percent, while average vigour has tested at about 60 or 61 percent.

"Disease levels are extremely high on it. There is no way that you're going to get rid of that this year," Carriere said.

In previous years when there has been a bad durum crop, many growers had leftover durum seed they could use.

"But they used that last year because we had such a poor crop last year, as well as the year before. So the durum seed stock has dipped down to as low as they have been in years," Carriere said.

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Disease in last year's crop has been causing headaches for cereal growers this winter, which could also have repercussions this spring. | MIKE STURK PHOTO

Add field exits to help control clubroot

Agronomists muse that using a different entrance and exit can help limit the tracking of spores

BY ROBERT ARNASON BRANDON BUREAU

DAUPHIN, Man. — In February, Dan Orchard had a eureka

Orchard, a Canola Council of Canada agronomist in central Alberta, spends a lot of time thinking and talking about clubroot because the disease affects hundreds of farms in his area.

Earlier this winter, after speaking to a grower on the phone, an idea popped into his head: farmers should have a separate entrance and exit for every field.

This is like a two-week old (idea)," said Orchard, who spoke at Canolab, a Canola Council agronomy workshop held March 15-16 in Dauphin, Man.

Years ago, Orchard read something about separate exits and entrances, near the bottom of a list on clubroot management strategies.

He initially dismissed the concept but now it makes sense.

The most contaminated spot for clubroot tends to be the entrance," he said. "In Alberta, over 90 percent of (infected) fields have clubroot at the entrance."

Therefore, if a farmer leaves a field at the entrance the tractor, seeder or cultivator are likely covered in soil and loaded with billions of clubroot spores.

We're moving it (spores) around with equipment and dumping it at the entrance, then leaving through this most infested spot and taking it somewhere else," Orchard told a group of producers and agronomists at Canolab in Dauphin.

Holly Derksen, a Manitoba Agriculture plant pathologist, also spoke about clubroot management in Dauphin.

Testing shows that spore counts in Manitoba canola fields are much lower than central Alberta, where counts per gram of soil can be in the millions.

Most Manitoba fields have less than 10,000 spores per gram of soil, but symptoms of clubroot have been found in five municipalities.

Derksen said a separate exit



Dan Orchard of the Canola Council of Canada and Holly Derksen of Manitoba Agriculture speak about clubroot at Canolab, an agronomy workshop held in Dauphin, Man., in mid-March. | ROBERT ARNASON PHOTO

could mitigate the further spread of clubroot in Manitoba, but she suggested testing the soil at an exit to ensure the area isn't infested.

The experience in Alberta indicates a separate field exit would be useful for a couple of reasons.

One, in many fields the entrance is infected but the middle is not.

"If the exit was (somewhere else) the whole field would have to get infested before you would take it with you," Orchard said.

Two, entrance areas are usually muddy and likely contain soil from multiple fields.

"If you exit at the entrance, you

could be taking five, six, seven or eight types of soil, depending on how many fields you've come (into that field) from," he said.

"When you exit somewhere else, you're only taking one type of soil with you. The soil from that field."

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DID YOU KNOW ...

>> Clubroot galls were found on a canola field near Swan River, Man., in 2015. It may not be the cause but before the infection was discovered, the affected farmer bought a combine from a county in central Alberta.

HOGS

Manitoba producers happy to cut out red tape

BY ED WHITE WINNIPEG BUREAU

There won't likely be a sudden boom in livestock barn construction in Manitoba.

However, the Progressive Conservative government's crusade against "red tape" will make it easier for farmers to go forward with plans obstructed or stymied by the former New Democratic Party government.

"All the regulations still stand," Andrew Dickson, general manager of the Manitoba Pork Council, said about legislation that will remove the effective moratorium on hog barns that has caused the industry to stagnate and shrink since 2007.

"We'll get some (barns built), but you still have to meet all the standards and you still have to make a business case for why you want to build a barn."

Keystone Agricultural Producers president Dan Mazier also doesn't expect to see an instantaneous rush of farmers to build new barns but said the red tape reduction legislation and changes to the building code are a giant relief for livestock producers.

Poultry farmers were especially vexed by former rules that forced barns to be built as if they were industrialor commercial structures used by and for humans. That could have forced inappropriate building materials to be used and designs that didn't make sense for livestock production.

Some producers will probably consider building new barns and replacing old structures now that farm buildings can generally follow the national farm building code, Mazier said.

The PC government's red tape reduction legislation touches many areas of Manitoba's economy, but agriculture is one of the most affected. The legislation changes laws on noxious weeds and veterinary services boards as well as hog barns.

Mazier said he thinks taking some of these areas out of legislation and governing them through regulations, which can more easily be amended, makes sense for fluid and developing industries.

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BACKING OFF ON BIOSECURITY

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"The message of cleaning your equipment and scraping off every gram of soil was not the right message. We didn't understand that that's just not feasible.... You can talk about it all you want but it's not going to be employed because it's not really realistic."

Clubroot is a soil-borne disease in canola that causes galls to form on the roots.

The disease is endemic in central Alberta, but farmers in the region continue to grow canola thanks to clubroot resistant varieties.

The disease spreads through transport of soil from field to field, primarily on the wheels of tractors and other agricultural equipment.

Orchard, who spoke about club-

root inside a hockey locker room at the Dauphin arena, said growers are willing to spend 10 minutes and knock large clumps of soil from seeders and tractor tires. But taking a few hours or more to wash isn't viable because producers don't have time, particularly at seeding.

A canola council pamphlet on clubroot, available in Dauphin, barely mentioned washing or sanitizing equipment.

It recommended the following four steps:

- using resistant canola varieties
- · lengthening crop rotation if spore counts are sufficiently low
- · reducing tillage or zero tillage practices
- scraping and sweeping a tractor frame after tillage

Orchard said there's a good rea-

son why cleaning and sanitization is lower on the list for clubroot management.

"Rather than putting it up high (on the list) because they (growers) quit reading once they get to something they can't do," he said.

"The lower we put it on the list, the better chance they'll do the things above it on the list."

An Alberta Agriculture website on clubroot has a similar message. It says producers should knock and scrape offloose soil between fields.

"The following additional cleaning steps may provide some extra benefit but involve considerably more work and expense: after removal of soil lumps, wash off equipment with a power washer. Finish by misting equipment with weak disinfectant."

Renn Breitkreuz, vice-chair of the Alberta Canola Producers Comreceptive to the washing message but others are reluctant to take the step.

"There are other ways (to control clubroot). Farmers kind of gravitate to using resistant varieties because that's the easiest approach," he said. "Lengthening one's rotation is great tool to (reduce) spore load. And where it makes sense and will cause a real reduction, the cleaning and sanitation of course is important as well."

Breitkreuz has clubroot on his farm in Lac Ste Anne County west of Edmonton, but only on a couple

He seeds those fields last, so soil isn't moved from those fields to

other parts of his farm. He also has knocked loose dirt from tractor mission, said some farmers are tires and the openers of the seeder when moving between fields.

"After the season, I clean the drill and tractor thoroughly and then park it," he said. "And I'm trying to lengthen the rotation on those fields and the whole farm."

Cleaning and sanitation is an important tool but growers will decide what's right for their farm, Breitkreuz said.

"It is a soil borne disease and doing what we can to mitigate that is important," he said. "(But) you can do everything right and spring runoff, or the flipside on a dry spring with blowing soil ... it can still move (the disease) around."

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Weak wheat prices will likely reduce spring wheat acreage in North America. | FILE PHOTO

2017-18 OUTLOOK

Wheat surplus might shrink

Potentially smaller crops in the U.S., Russia and Canada could moderate the global oversupply

BY SEAN PRATT SASKATOON NEWSROOM

There is an ever-so-slight bullish sentiment creeping into the wheat market, says an analyst.

Even as wheat futures prices fell in the past week, a few events happening around the world could help reduce the burdensome global supply of the crop, said Neil Townsend, senior market analyst with FarmLink Marketing Solutions.

One positive is the report out of Russia that it will likely have have less wheat to sell in 2017-18.



NEIL TOWNSEND FARMLINK MARKETING

SovEcon has downgraded its forecast of Russian 2017-18 grain production to 109.5 million tonnes from 112.5 million tonnes previously. The crop harvested last summer was record large at 121 million tonnes.

Of that, the wheat crop is forecast at 62.5 million tonnes, down

from 73.3 million in 2016. It sees wheat exports falling to 24.5 million tonnes from 27 million in the current marketing year.

SovEcon said it downgraded its current forecast because it believes there will be a shortage of rain in Russia's southern regions from April through June, according to Reuters.

The market has already factored in a smaller U.S. winter wheat crop but some analysts also anticipate the smallest U.S. spring wheat crop since 1972.

Townsend expects Canadian spring wheat acres will also be down with an increase in Saskatchewan more than offset by decreases in Manitoba and Alberta.

Another bullish factor is that U.S. wheat has become competitive in world markets in the last few weeks, which should stimulate its exports and reduce carryout in that country.

U.S. wheat exports could pick up because wheat export programs are winding down in Australia and the European Union and the U.S. soybean export program is slowing down, making room in the export pipeline.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports that China's 2016-17 wheat crop had serious quality issues.

Industry sources say that 10 percent of the crop may be spoiled

and another 24 percent out of condition in four of its main wheat producing states.

That is causing a shortage of milling-grade wheat in the central and southern production regions of the country.

Canadian wheat matches up really nicely with Russian wheat, so if they want to substitute one for the other I guess they could.

NEIL TOWNSEND ANALYST

Sino Grain, a state owned grain buyer, bought the highest quality wheat at the start of harvest. What's left on the open market is below the average grade.

Milling wheat prices jumped 10 to 12 percent between September and January and are as high as \$11.37 per bushel in South China.

American, Canadian and Australian milling wheat can now compete in China even after paying a 65 percent out-of-quota tariff.

The USDA's Foreign Agriculture Service expects China in 2016-17 to import four million tonnes of wheat, a 500,000 tonne bump from its January forecast.

Townsend said an extra 500,000 tonnes of demand doesn't sound like much considering total world trade is estimated at 181 million tonnes in 2016-17, but it helps.

"It's positive. I mean, we need positive things in the wheat market for sure."

Reuters reports that Turkish buyers have put purchases of Russian wheat on hold due to political tensions between the countries. That could create an opportunity for Canadian wheat.

"Canadian wheat matches up really nicely with Russian wheat, so if they want to substitute one for the other I guess they could," said Townsend.

None of the factors are enough to move the wheat market on their own but combined they could help boost prices, although by a modest amount.

"Wheat can go up 15 or 30 cents a bushel but it's not going to be able to drive itself up \$1 a bushel without a broader commodity rally," he said.

Townsend expects global wheat stocks to be down three to four million tonnes when the USDA issues its first world supply and demand outlook for 2017-18 in May.

He thinks stocks would have to fall by 10 to 20 million tonnes to sustain a price rally.

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MEAT SCANDAL

Brazilian meat fraud rocks markets

Benefit to Canadian meat exporters likely indirect

BY ED WHITE WINNIPEG BUREAU

Analysts have no clue how much the Brazilian meat scandal could affect Canadian meat exports or prices.

However, as some of Brazil's main markets re-open their doors to the country's beef and poultry, the direct physical dislocation of the country's products might not be the biggest impact.

"We'll have to figure out how deep it goes and how significant the damage is to their credibility," said Tyler Fulton, hog market analyst for Hams Marketing.

"There's a lot of moving parts."

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TYLER FULTON MARKET ANALYST

Brazil's massive exports of beef and chicken crashed to a halt when it was revealed that Brazilian police were investigating a number of meat plants for bribing meat inspectors to ignore tainted or otherwise unacceptable meat for export.

All of its biggest markets immediately blocked imports of Brazilian beef, but China, Chile and Egypt lifted their bans March 25, alleviating the risk of a massive pile-up of meat within the country.

However, the scandal could damage Brazil's reputation for safety and quality, which could have indirect effects on Canada and overall North American meat production and exports.

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21 of Brazil's 84 meat plants are included in the Operation Weak Flesh investigation

LAMB MARKETS

Lamb price steady but no herd expansion seen

China has become the world's largest importer

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

Albertalamb prices are projected to remain stable, supported by tight supplies and limited growth in herd size and in consumer demand.

A similar situation exists around the world, where flocks are not growing and demand for lamb is flat, Jason Wood, a livestock market analyst at Alberta Agriculture, said in a recent webinar.

"Consumption of lamb remains flat here and in the U.S., but it is also flat globally," he said.

Global per capita consumption is about 1.5 kilograms, although demand is picking up in China, which has become the world's largest importer of lamb.

The Canadian flock is not growing, according to the most recent Statistics Canada livestock report.

The number of sheep fell by 1.4 percent to 814,600 from last year as farmers across most of Canada reduced flocks. The sheep breeding herd decreased, but the number of market lambs increased.

Ontario has the largest flock at 249,900 followed by Quebec at 198,000 and Alberta at 128,000.

Lamb markets are affected by the supply and price of competing meats as well as outside forces such as mandatory country-of-origin labelling in the United States and drought in Australia and United States, where there were higher levels of culls than normal in recent years.

Canadian prices have improved in the last few years.

Cash receipts for 2015 show Alberta producers enjoyed a 37 percent increase over the year before for lamb and sheep while there was a 16 percent increase across Canada.



Demand for lamb remains flat, although sales increase during Easter and Muslim Ramadan. | FILE PHOTO

"If you look at the five year average, we are still 28 percent higher," Wood said.

"Lamb receipts are still doing quite well but will be down slightly in 2016. That is part of that softer prices at the end of 2016."

Ontario lamb prices were on average 29 percent higher than Alberta last year. Wood forecasts the average Alberta price this year should be around \$225 per head.

While there is no growth in herd numbers, lamb carcasses are heavier and better quality.

Slaughter happens at the provincial and federal inspection levels.

Total slaughter in provincial plants in 2016 across Canada was 361,000, down about 6.5 percent since 2015.

Federal slaughter rose.

"In the West we saw quite a dramatic increase of about 24 percent year-over-year, whereas in the East we saw a decline of about six percent," he said.

Live exports are down to about

14,000 head, partly because of the U.S. country-of-origin labelling law. Lamb was not included when the World Trade Organization ruled COOL was unfair to the Canadian and Mexican cattle and hog sectors.

Simultaneously, there were no imports of live sheep from the U.S. in 2016. The lower Canadian dollar made imported animals less attractive, and shrinking flocks meant the U.S. needed to keep its domestic production.

The biggest import year was 2008 when about 40,000 head came in.

Canadian producers supply about 45 percent of the domestic lamb market, but imports of meat were down three percent last year. Most comes from the U.S., Australia and New Zealand.

However, increasing demand from China affects the flow of all meat, including lamb exports from the large producers.

"Our imports from New Zealand were down 13 percent, and from

the U.S. they were down 10 percent in 2016," he said.

Australian lamb to Canada went up about 2.5 percent.

Canadian lamb meat exports reached 400 tonnes in 2013, but that fell to about 150 tonnes by 2014, which is closer to the five year average.

Retail prices are holding, but the increased supply of chicken, pork and beef may prompt consumers to substitute their meat purchases.

However, the growing ethnic market in Canada may give the lamb business a boost.

Producers need to be aware of various holiday seasons when lamb is popular. Lamb demand goes up during the Christian Easter and Muslim Ramadan holidays. However, these holidays move around on the calendar, so demand comes at different times of the year.

Ramadan begins the evening of May 26 this year.

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LAMB PRICES PICK UP

The lamb market is enjoying good prices this spring but overall the market is expected to be fairly steady this year, with solid demand and steady production.

Trends in auction prices for Alberta heavy lambs (\$/lb.)



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It will likely be very indirect, some analysts say, because Brazilian beef generally fills lower-priced and lower-quality sections of the global meat market than does North American meat.

However, Brazil's impact on the world market is profound, so the

indirect effects could still be significant.

"They're a huge player in the global market," said Brian Perillat of Canfax, the beef market analytical firm.

Brazil is the world's largest beef exporter and the world's second largest beef producer. Its exports of chicken meat comprise about 40 percent of world trade.

Global importers might shy away from buying Brazilian meat if it suffers a lasting taint on its reputation, instead substituting North American or Australian beef.

North American buyers also might avoid importing Brazilian beef for some of the food products in which it is currently used, Perillat said.

Twenty-one Brazilian meat plants were under investigation as of March 27 in the police probe named Operation Weak Flesh.

However, 57 plants were not included in the investigation.

Export giants JBS and BRF are both implicated in the investigation but have denied knowledge of any improper practices. As well, each company had only one plant included in the probe.

Most of the suspected plants are operated by smaller companies. Only about three dozen agriculture ministry inspectors are said to be targeted.

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FORECASTING FORECAST

When will the run of global good weather run out?

MARKET WATCH



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Rain this week in the United States southern Plains and the Midwest is putting to rest for now concerns about drought in American winter wheat crops.

Winter wheat crops in Europe, Ukraine, and India are all said to be in good shape. Rain in Russia might not be enough to sustain another record crop, but so far there is no concern about a production disaster.

The wheat story on page 13 shows that there is a glimmer of hope that the oversupply situation might moderate in 2017-18.

The International Grains Council forecasts 2017-18 wheat production at 735 million tonnes, down from 752 million this year.

That means production would fall short of demand and ending stocks would shrink but not to a level that would suggest a recovery to the price levels of a few years ago.

With ample supply of grain and oilseed and weak crop prices globally, we wonder what could happen to change the dynamic.

Can we expect to continue to have big harvests in the most important production regions?

Even with a changing climate that doles out more weather extremes, we have not had serious global production declines for years.

In global wheat production, we've had four consecutive great years. The past 12 months have been particularly impressive with record production in Russia and Australia, the second largest crop in 20 years in Canada (albeit poor quality) and above average crops in the U.S. and Ukraine.

Global wheat production in 2016-17 rose to more than 751 million tonnes, up 15.8 million tonnes from the year before.

We have to look back to 2012 for the last bad production year in wheat causing a year over year decrease in production. Russia and Ukraine suffered a severe drought that followed on the heels of a poor crop in that region in 2010.

There have been weather problems more recently around the world, but not of a scale that seriously threatened global markets.

Last year, late-season dry weather trimmed Brazil's soybean crop and deeply cut its corn crop.

El Nino dryness hurt palm oil production in Indonesia and Malaysia last year, resulting in a year over year decrease in global production.

In 2014-15 and 2015-16 India's monsoon fell short, forcing it to increase pulse imports, but large domestic stocks of government-owned wheat saved it from needing to import huge amounts of wheat.

However, there was nothing like the series of weather problems of the 2000-07 era that slashed global wheat and corn production even as the booming U.S. ethanol sector was fueling rapid demand growth.

At the other end of the scale, we've now had several years of relatively benign crop weather resulting in rising year-end stocks and falling crop prices.

Are we due for a weather problem? It is impossible to tell.

But if every year is a gamble against the weather, I'd have to say that the run of weather luck would have to run out eventually.

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\$100 MILLION

Grain Millers expands Sask. oat plant

Expansion to create 25 new jobs in Yorkton

BY ROBERT ARNASON BRANDON BUREAU

Grain Millers, one the largest oat buyers in Western Canada, has quietly announced a \$100 million expansion of its plant in Yorkton, Sask.

Grain Millers Canada Corp. said in a news release the project would add 80,000 tonnes of production capacity to its mill, where it manufactures a range of conventional and organic oat food products.

"We've operated in Saskatchewan for 20 years," said Terry Tyson, grain procurement director for Grain Millers.

"Yorkton is in the heart of oat country and, with the skilled workforce we have here, it is a great location for us to continue growing our milling business."

Grain Millers has headquarters near Minneapolis and it operates mills in the U.S. Midwest, Oregon, Mexico and Yorkton. Along with Richardson International, it is one of the largest oat processors in Western Canada.

"This expansion is the latest in a series of capacity and capability investments for (Grain Millers)," said Steve Eilertson, company president.

A bigger oat mill means that Yorkton, already home to two major canola crushing plants, becomes an even larger destination for prairie grain and oilseeds.

The Grain Millers expansion will create 25 new permanent jobs, along with 110 jobs during construction.

"Our government welcomes this large \$100 million investment," said Premier Brad Wall in a statement. "Our government has worked hard to strengthen the Saskatchewan Advantage and we will continue to ensure we have a competitive environment for projects like this one."

Grain Millers said the project should be complete by late 2018.

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CANFAX REPORT

FED MARKETS RISES

It was another great week for cash cattle with the Canfax weighted average for steers rising \$3.14 to \$170.66 per hundredweight and heifers up \$3.42 at \$169.48.

There was strong demand and tight supply.

 $Dressed\,trade\,was\,\$3-\$6\,per\,cwt.$ higher than the previous week with sales ranging \$285-\$288 delivered.

U.S. buyers were in the market, but few if any local cash cattle traded south because they did not meet American slaughter specifications.

The Alberta cash-to-futures basis weakened a bit but was seasonally strong at +\$7.79.

Weekly western Canadian fed slaughter to March 18 rose three percent to 30,711 head.

Weekly exports to March 11 fell one percent to 7,142 head. Exports

as it occurs and stay on top of things throughout the year.

are down eight percent for the year at 56,687 head.

Marketings during the week had clean-up loads of various types of cattle, implying feedlot supplies are very current.

A few fed calves were marketed but could have easily remained on feed another month.

In the United States, live sales in the south were up US\$2, and in the north prices rose \$3-\$5. Rail grade prices in the north were up \$6-\$7.

COWS SET HIGHS

 $D1, D2\,cows\,ranged\,C\$95-\$111\,to$ average \$103.63, up \$2.72

D3 cows ranged \$80-\$99 to average \$90.56.

It was the first time since September 2015 that D1, D2 prices were above year ago levels.

Rail grade cows ranged \$195-\$200.

Bulls averaged \$122.38 per cwt., up 17 cents. Bull prices have rallied 20 percent from January lows. Higher yielding bulls are now trading in the low to mid \$140s.

There are reports that purebred bull prices have increased slightly since the beginning of the year.

Most of the cows bought on speculation and put on feed early in the new year have been marketed. Alberta cash cow prices are now at a slight discount to the U.S. utility market.

FEEDERS RISE

There was a big run of feeder cattle at auction facilities.

The feeder steer average rose \$3.07 per cwt., while heifers were up\$3.05.

The most noticeable price strength was on 650-725 pound feeders because demand for grass cattle remains firm.

Steers 550 lb. traded at the highest level since late June 2016.

From their January lows, 550 lb. steer prices have rallied eight percent, the smallest first quarter rally in the past decade.

From the lows posted four weeks ago, 850 lb. steers have rallied \$8.50, but Alberta fed steer are now at a premium to 850 lb. feeders.

The five-year average for 800-900 lb. steers as a percent of fed steer prices stands at 117 percent for March.

Based on that average, steers should be closer to \$200, compared to the current price of about \$169.

Deferred live cattle futures are at a significant discount to current cash prices.

There is little price slide between weight classes. Some feeders weighing more than 1,000 lb. are fetching the same price as 900 lb.

Over the past three weeks, feeder exports have ranged from 3,400-4,700 head, which is down from last year when exports ranged 5,000-7,300 head.

U.S. BEEF RISES

U.S. boxed beef prices to March 23 rose with Choice up US\$1.14 at \$222.28 and Select up 84 cents at \$215.77

With the strong rally in the last few weeks, the cutout is now only one percent below last year.

U.S. cattle slaughter surged four percent to 613,000 head. That was 14 percent larger than the same week last year.

Weekly Canadian boxed beef prices to March 11 rose 44 cents to C\$274.76 per cwt. on AAA and \$5.03 to \$271.72 on AA.

 $Can adian\,prices\,were\,still\,four\,to$ six percent below last year.

This cattle market information is selected from the weekly report from Canfax, a division of the Canadian Cattlemen's Association. More market information, analysis and statistics are available by becoming a Canfax subscriber by calling 403-275-5110 or at www.canfax.ca.

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WP LIVESTOCK REPORT

HOGS LOWER

Alarge number of meat importers stopped taking Brazilian meat because of the bribery scandal, but that did little to raise Chicago hog futures. Cash hog supply was adequate for demand.

The U.S. national live price average for barrows and gilts was US\$52.34 per cwt. March 24, down from \$53.01 March 17.

U.S. hogs averaged \$64.38 on a carcass basis March 24, down from \$65.43 March 17.

The U.S. pork cutout was \$78.48 per cwt. March 24, down from \$81.60 March 17.

The estimated U.S. weekly slaughter for the week to March 25 was 2.313 million, down from 2.335 million the previous week.

Slaughter was 2.166 million last year at the same time.

In Canada, the March 25 Signature Five price was C\$166.39 per 100 kilograms, down from \$169.21 the previous week.

The price was \$75.47 o a per hundredweight basis, down from \$76.75 the previous week.

BISON STEADY

The Canadian Bison Association said Grade A bulls in the desirable weight range sold at prices up to C\$6.30-\$6.50 per pound hot hanging weight. U.S. buyers are offering US\$4.75 with returns dependent on exchange rates, quality and export costs.

Grade A heifers sold up to C\$6-\$6.30. U.S. buyers are offering US\$4.50. Animals outside the desirable buyer specifications may be discounted.

SHEEP STRONGER

Ontario Stockyards Inc. reported that 646 sheep and lambs and 22 goats traded March 20. All classes of lambs and goats traded steady to strong. Sheep sold steady.

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OPINION

FOOD SAFETY

Cutting red tape OK, but preserve food safety rules

The rapid fallout from Brazil's meat scandal highlights the zero tolerance that importers have for any hint of danger when it comes to food.

A host of countries, including Canada, imposed restrictions on Brazil's meat and poultry, and market valuations of the country's major packers plunged by billions of dollars, leaving one to wonder why any meat company, indeed any food producer, would engage in underhanded dealings that would call into question its reputation for safety?

The situation also highlights the constant tension between the desire to let business be free of onerous government regulation while at the same time desiring that consumers be protected from unscrupulous or negligent operators who put dangerous food on the market.

Police dropped a bombshell on Brazil's successful meat industry March 17 when they announced they were investigating an apparent widespread scandal in which government officials were bribed to approve the sale and export of rotten and contaminated meat.

That set off a cascade of slamming doors as China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, the European Union, Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Switzerland and Canada announced partial or all-out bans on meat imports from Brazil, the world's largest beef and chicken exporter and fourth largest pork exporter by volume.

Meat processing giants JBS and BRF saw their stock price swoon.

Brazilian politicians were shaken by the international reaction and stepped in to try to calm fears. Agriculture Minister Blairo Maggi suited up in sanitary white coveralls for the media to photograph him inspecting a spotless poultry plant. The government issued statements that blamed the problem on the professional misconduct of a small number of workers rather than a "widespread malfunction of

the Brazilian system."

China, Egypt and Chile have since lifted their bans, but Brazil's meat industry has been damaged.

It is mystifying any time companies try to get around safety regulations just to collect the small profits from selling a tainted product.

It endangers the huge and incalculable value of reputation and good will of the directly involved business and perhaps of the whole industry.

And it weakens arguments that the food business needs less regulation and monitoring rather than more.

Alot of people in agriculture believe that there is too much government red tape in their lives, tying them up and inhibiting their productivity and growth.

In agricultural circles, there is a lot of support for initiatives such as Manitoba's Red Tape Reduction and Government Efficiency Act.

In the United States, agricultural leaders applauded when President Donald Trump signed executive orders to repeal and simplify regulations and to eliminate two old regulations for every new one brought in

We are all for reducing bureaucracy, simplifying regulatory language and rational harmonization of regulation at each level of government and even across national borders.

However, when it comes to rules and regulations that aim to protect the public, such as ensuring that food is safe, then great care must be employed.

Thoughtless rule slashing to win political favour could endanger the public and make possible scandals that compromise the type of spotless reputation needed to build market share in this global economy.

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CRAIG'S VIEW



BRAKES ON FARM EQUIPMENT



I showed CSA (Canadian Standards Association) the data and explained simply that we've got to ... make our equipment safe. If we don't, one of these days we're going to have that big accident. And when that happens, all our farm equipment will be legislated right off the public roads.

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ECONOMIC GROWTH

Liberals embark on plan to boost agricultural industry



KELSEY JOHNSON

ttawa's desire to lean on the country's a griculture industry to spur economic growth is big news for the sector, despite concerns around labour, funding and infrastructure gaps, farm groups say.

"That's a big target, but I think we're up to it," Canadian Federation of Agriculture president Ron Bonnett said post-budget.

He added that because the federal government set out a dollar figure goal instead of increased tonnage or yield, the target could be easier to achieve, thanks to valueadded processing.

Ottawa wants Canadian food exports to grow to \$75 billion annually by 2025, an increase of nearly \$15 billion from current levels. The target was a key piece of the federal government's 2017 budget.

It's a big jump; one Agriculture Minister Lawrence MacAulay said he thinks is achievable.

"When you look at what's taking place worldwide, it certainly is," he said in an interview March 25.

"It's obvious the government has put great emphasis on agriculture."
Global demand for protein and a growing middle class in Asia has provided market opportunities that are there for the taking, he added, a message the agriculture industry has been pushing in Ottawa for years.

"I want to make sure that our farmers and ranchers get a portion of that increase," MacAulay said.

Ottawa isn't the first government in this country to push the agriculture sector to grow its economic contributions.

As agriculture minister, Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne challenged the sector in 2013 to double its annual growth and create 120,000 new jobs by 2020.

Four years later, that goal remains an industry target, despite concerns around labour, soaring power costs, a new provincial cap and trade carbon-trading system and the lure of investing south of the border

If Ottawa is serious about expanding agricultural trade, Conservative agriculture critic David Anderson said the federal government must know when to interfere and when to mind its own business.

"If government will work alongside industry and let industry develop their capacity, typically they can reach that," he said. "If government thinks they're going to manage that growth or whatever, often you find that it just doesn't seem to work very well.

"Hopefully, we see them standing to the side and saying, 'we'll

assist in the development of these new opportunities and not thinking that we have to manage it through some government department.' If that happens I'm sure we will never reach those targets," Anderson said.

MacAulay said federal investment will be needed, which he hopes his cabinet colleagues will be willing to provide now that the sector has been picked as a potential leader for economic growth.

The last federal budget did have some new money for agriculture, including more innovation funding and opening up the program to food processors.

The industry has also been named as one of the sectors eligible for \$950 million in "supercluster" money, funding meant for projects that can generate economic growth quickly. Most of that funding (\$800 million) was promised last year.

Expanding Canadian food processing is critical to achieving

Ottawa's new export target, MacAulay said.

"I think it's so important that we not only produce the food but we make sure we do as much processing in this country that we possibly can"

Still, farm groups warn innovation funding is only one piece of the puzzle. Getting products to market, reliable transportation, ensuring rural communities and businesses have access to reliable internet, securing farm labour, easing succession issues, and bridging the gap between people's forks and the farm are some of the other policy issues that must be looked into.

Some of those issues are expected to be raised during the ongoing agriculture policy framework negotiations underway between Ottawa and the provinces. Ottawa hasn't said how much it's willing to put into the collective pot.

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FOOD SAFETY

Brazil in mother of all food fraud cases

BY SYLVAIN CHARLEBOIS

razil, the largest exporter of meat products in the world, faces a food fraud crisis and it seems federal authorities have been complicit.

There's a lesson here for Canada. Brazilian authorities recently announced they would investigate several companies, including meat packing giants JBS SA and BRF SA. The companies are accused of bribing licensed inspectors to approve rotten meat products for international sale and export.

Given that the companies and government are allegedly involved, this could become one of the worst food fraud scandals in modern

The investigation, dubbed Operation Weak Flesh, began more than two years ago and still isn't finished. More than 40 companies and several bureaucrats are involved.

This is a textbook case of economically motivated food adulteration. Various animal parts were allegedly used as substitutes for more expensive ingredients or products. Any suspicious smells were allegedly camouflaged through the use of acid, a food safety nightmare.

It appears these products were delivered to schools, hospitals and other institutions. Even Walmart is a buyer and has requested an explanation about the risks in-

As we often see in food fraud cases, every company involved is denying all allegations.



Brazil's meat scandal is bad news for that country, but it's a reminder to meat-producing countries that they can't let their guard down. \mid FILE PHOTO

Brazilian meat product exports account for more than \$14 billion, and are distributed to many parts of the world, including Asia and Europe. That could decline significantly. Share values for JBS SA and BRF SA have fallen.

Given the political and economic climate in Brazil, this couldn't have happened at a worse time. The economy is mired in one of the deepest depressions in its history, and the country is dealing with the aftermath of the high-profile Petrobras scandal, which also involved the public and private sectors.

This new scandal will hit agrifood, one of Brazil's largest economic sectors, very hard.

It also strikes yet another blow to the global livestock industry. It gives more ammunition to those opposed to the industrialization of agriculture and the role of agribusinesses. Questions about the sustainable and ethical nature of massive livestock production have abounded for years. As a result, consumers in the industrialized world are increasingly reducing their intake of animal protein, particularly beef.

Nonetheless, agri-food firms exist to make food systems more efficient and food more affordable. Society has benefitted from these corporations, whether we realize it or not.

For that beneficial relationship to endure, ethics must play a key part. Even if most companies operate by upholding shared values with consumers, there are those that spoil it for everyone else.

That's obviously shameful.

Public policy exists to protect consumers, but ill-designed regulations can lead to market failures, compounding the fallout.

In Brazil, licensed companies have a direct influence over who inspects their facilities. Inspectors are only human and can be compromised.

Had a proper regulatory framework been in place, this scandal could likely have been prevented.

It took Brazil decades to convince the world its meat products were worthy of export. Actor Robert de Niro was even a spokesperson for the industry. Operation Weak Flesh could destroy this reputation completely. A number of countries have called for sanctions on Brazilian meat products, and some have already been implemented.

Canada, as one of Brazil's main livestock industry competitors, will likely gain from all of this. Canadian ranchers are very aware.

However, let's hope arrogance won't make our sector complacent again, as we witnessed with the BSE mess in 2003. We must learn from that and from what has happened in Brazil.

Canadian livestock and meat scandals were a cakewalk compared to what's going on in Brazil. But with food fraud, which is often complicated, you can never be too

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EDITORIAL NOTEBOOK



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hat happens when people rally around what they believe to be true, rather than what is?

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ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Profitability looks difficult with current prices

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The outlook for the upcoming growing season has become more guarded with various factors generating reasons for concern.

Canola prices have dropped about \$1 a bushel since the beginning of March. What goes down can come back up again, but cropping budgets take a beating if you plug the market downturn into your assumptions.

Canola is the profit generator on most farms, making up for the poorer performing crops in the rotation. A lot of farms won't do well if canola returns end up as mediocre

 $Lentils\,have\,often\,been\,the\,most$ profitable crop on many farms in southern Saskatchewan. The crop

doesn't seem like such a sure bet after last year's flooding and disease issues.

As well, lentil prices have now dropped dramatically. New crop red lentil contracts are sitting at 23 cents a pound or less, which is a huge drop from the 30 cent price used in many cropping budgets a few months ago.

Market access to India for our pulse crops has been uncertain for weeks. As this is being written, unofficial reports suggest India will grant a three-month extension to its fumigation rules, allowing Canadian lentils and peas to again be imported. Until the issue is completely solved, it casts a long, dark shadow over the Canadian pulse

Another export threat is the value of the Canadian dollar. Many grain farms are losing money in the United States, and the price of land is dropping. American farm income has taken a big hit over the past few years. Canada has been shielded from much of that pain by a 75 cent dollar.

The American economy has been slipping in recent weeks. If that continues, it's likely to cause a weakening in the American greenback and generate a comparative rise in our loonie. An 80 or 85 cent Canadian dollar would be tough on our export-reliant industries.

Even without currency pressure, the general price direction has been downward for a majority of

Meanwhile, production costs continue to rise, especially in Saskatchewan where the farm fuel tax exemption on gasoline has been removed and the exemption on diesel has been reduced to 80 percent. While some change was largely expected and telegraphed by Premier Brad Wall's government, other budget changes were more of a surprise.

The provincial sales tax, which has gone from five to six percent, applies for the first time to insurance premiums, including Saskatchewan Crop Insurance, hail insurance and the insurance on buildings and equipment. On top of that, the education portion of property taxes will be edging upward.

While the monetary impact will

vary widely from one farm to the next, the Saskatchewan budget will add costs of at least a few dollars per acre on many operations.

Fortunately, we continue to see fertilizer prices at some of the lowest levels in many years, which is a significant cost saving.

As we head into seeding, the first hurdle facing thousands of producers is last year's unfinished harvest. Depending on the weather in the weeks ahead, dealing with last year's mess could put this year's seeding seriously behind schedule.

The uncertainty makes a difficult start to the season. What quality issues will emerge on the leftover crop? Will it have any value? Can a sufficient amount of residue be removed to allow seeding operations to proceed without plugging issues?

The weather might co-operate and crop prices might improve, but it could also go the other way.

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OPEN FORUM

WATER DRAINAGE CLOSURES

To the Editor:

The Saskatchewan Water Security Agency's recent policy of enforcing drainage closures will destroy the profitability of farming across two million acres of farmland within the Quill Lakes Basin. This policy will only serve to further deteriorate a damaged provincial economy, cause unnecessary financial ruin among the farmers of the basin, and do nothing to alleviate the real problem — the rising of the Quill Lakes.

It is agenda-driven, with a focus on optics and perception, rather than fact-driven with a focus on a solution.

In recent years, excessive moisture has plagued the Quill Lakes Basin. Using data from The Weather Network, since 2005 the Quill Lakes basin has received, on average, 202 inches of rain. This rainfall amount is unmatched in the recent history of the region.

By comparison, over the same period of time, the Saskatoon region has averaged only 91 inches, while the Yorkton region has averaged only 134 inches.

The Water Security Agency has opportunistically capitalized on this unprecedented weather to try to vilify farmers and their water management as the cause for the rising Quill Lakes. If drainage is the reason why the lakes are currently so high, then why, as stated in the recent KGS report (commissioned by the WSA and released Nov. 6, 2016) were they within a few inches of their current level in 1914?

For farmers, water management has allowed us to succeed through this current period of unprecedented rainfall. The KGS report shows that 92.4 percent of sloughs are less than five acres in size. On each quarter section of land there can be dozens of these. They can be so close to each other that it is often not possible to seed between them.

On a typical year, these are usually dry within one to three weeks after seeding. They are managed to allow farmers to seed earlier and avoid frost damage, or harvest before the snow.

If the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency could ruthlessly enforce the closures of drainage works, permitted and non-permitted, on all sloughs five acres or less, these potholes would hold back, according to their own research, 38.3 million cubic metres of water.

Based on the current area of the lakes, this would prevent them from rising only 1.9 inches. To put this in perspective, in the past 10 years, the lakes have risen by 248 inches.

This holding back of water would submerge 36,570 acres of productive farmland, but effectively destroy more than 100,000 acres, due to the proximity from each other and the extremely "gradual" shoreline of these potholes.

The Saskatchewan WSA refuses to acknowledge the contribution crops make to removing water from the basin. The average crop consumes 18 or more inches of water per acre during its life cycle. By growing a healthy crop in this area of 100,000 acres, 185.2 million cubic metres of water will be removed from the Quill Lakes basin, thereby preventing the Quill Lakes from rising by 9.3 inches. The crop grown removes

just about five times as much water as these potholes can hold.

At an average revenue of \$400 per acre, this would remove \$40 million from the local economy annually, not to mention added fuel, fertilizer, chemical and labour associated with driving around these potholes. The holding of water would also increase the salinity of the surrounding soil. The farming practices necessary to manage these flooded acres would contribute to increased nutrient runoffinto the watershed, increased soil erosion, and increased carbon emissions through burning, tillage and added fuel.

The ecological benefits of zero-till would likely be abandoned.

In dry years, agriculture is blamed for consuming too much water. Ironically, agriculture is now blamed in this wet cycle for contributing too much water. So which is it? Do our crops use water or not? It is difficult to fathom what the WSA hopes to accomplish by enforcing ditch closures in return for sacrificing so many family farms? One would hope that they would focus their efforts on explaining the benefits of responsible water management, rather than destroying farms only to appease a misguided public perception.

We are, and have always been, in the top five countries for food affordability. I believe this is taken for granted by those who are pushing their idealistic agenda of wetland restoration forward at the expense of agriculture in this province.

I have deep sympathy for the farmers who have lost land along the Quill Lakes, and for those who are in danger of having their farmyards flooded by water. They have been begging the Wall government for a solution for more than five years. With this perverted policy of ditch closures, the Wall government is simply deflecting the blame, and in doing so, will fail the rest of the Quill Lakes basin as well.

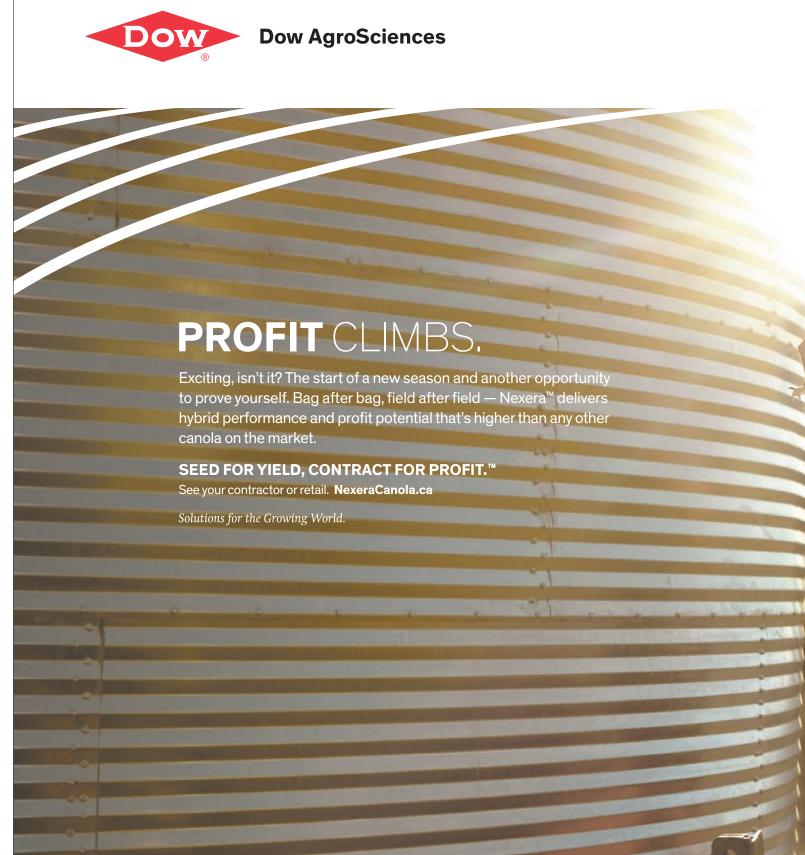
More worrisome is the recent introduction of changes to the water security act through the Bill 44 proposal. This legislation, designed by the WSA, for the WSA, and ignoring all concerns by farmers and commodity groups, will only serve to give the WSA a bigger "stick" to enforce the stupidity of this and other ill-conceived policies they might pursue. It will remove the appeal board of the WSA, and will allow the ministry of environment to pursue fines of up

to \$1 million per day against farm families with no limit.

Most of us would be bankrupt by breakfast.

Iamen cour aging all farmers acrossSaskatchewan to please contact your MLA, the ministers of environment and agriculture and the premier. Tell them you are proud of what you do. Tell them you will no longer stand by and be vilified for events you can't control, and tell them to design policy and legislation that will continue to help agriculture drive the economy of this province. Tell them Bill 44 is a destruction of our landowners' rights and needs to be scrapped, along with the WSA for drafting and promoting this draconian legislation.

Jeff Pylatuik Humbolt, Sask.



ENTREPRENEUR RECOGNIZED

Pulse official gets prestigious award

SASKATOON NEWSROOM

The president of AGT Food and Ingredients has received the prestigious Oslo Business for Peace Award.

"I guess I'm the first ever Canadian winner," said Murad Al-Katib. Past recipients include Richard Branson, founder of the Virgin Group, David MacLennan, chief executive officer of Cargill, and Jeffrey Immelt, chair of GE.

"Some cool people have received it," said Al-Katib.

The Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce nominated him for the award.

'We are thrilled to see Mr. Al-Katib receive the prestigious recognition from the Business for Peace Foundation," chamber executive director Kent Smith-Windsor said in a news release.

Al-Katib is one of four recipients of the 2017 award. A committee consisting of Nobel Laureates in peace and economic sciences picked the winners.

He is being recognized for the Regina company's work with the United Nations World Food Programme and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

AGT has helped optimize the procurement, consolidation and distribution process for getting 4.5 million family ration packages to international agencies for Syrian refugees. It has saved the partner organizations millions of dollars.

Al-Katib estimates the rations have provided 700 million refugee meals. There are 62 million refugees around the world, 60 percent of which are women and children.

"It's not something we only did for philanthropy, it's something we did for business," he said.

A "big concentration" of those rations are filled with Canadian peas, lentils and chickpeas.

Al-Katib said he is proud to be recognized with the international award.

"I want to be a champion of compassionate entrepreneurship, a world in which entrepreneurs harness their energies to help society solve some of its problems."

Al-Katib will fly to Oslo, Norway, to receive the award May 16. He will be meeting with the Crown Prince of Norway.

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OTTAWA SUPPORT

Farmers welcome federal budget's ag recognition

Support for innovation to increase food exports

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

Canadian farmers say last week's federal budget indicates that the government recognizes the economic growth the sector can drive.

The budget was short on details

but set a goal of increasing agrifood exports to \$75 billion annually

It proposes to invest \$70 million over six years to support "agricultural discovery science and innovation," focusing on climate change and soil and water conservation

As well, the agriculture department will receive a share of a \$200 million fund designed to develop clean technology.

Canadian Federation of Agriculture president Ron Bonnett said the budget highlighted agriculture's role in the government's innovation agenda.

"Farmers have been saying for years that agriculture is a strategic sector for Canada, given our vast natural resources, our research and technology, and our skilled labour force," he said in a state-

Finance Minister Bill Morneau said the sector is positioned for success as global food demand

"That means more demand for prairie canola, Atlantic crab and lobster, and B.C. berries," he said during his budget address.

"It also means more jobs in the fields of southwestern Ontario and on the maple syrup farms of Quebec's Eastern Townships. We will help farmers, producers and processors build their businesses globally and do so sustainably."

Conservative agriculture critic David Anderson said the budget offered no help for Canadians, particularly farmers, to prepare for a carbon tax that will cost a 3,000acre farm \$30,000 to \$50,000 per

"The Liberals claim to identify agri-food as one of their priorities, but the money they're putting into the agri-food 'super cluster' is money that is recycled from Budget 2016," Anderson said in a news release.

The budget proposes an invest $ment \, of \, up \, to \, \$950 \, million \, over \, five$ years to support super clusters that have the greatest potential to generate economic growth.

The government defines the clusters as dense areas of business activity, containing both large and small companies, academia and other companies that act as economic engines.

Bonnett said that certain items structure spending.





weren't mentioned in the budget, including tax policy that supports farm transfer to family members and commitments on rural infra-The budget said that the next agricultural policy framework is a priority and details would be forthcoming over the next year. Agriculture ministers are expected to sign the five-year agreement in July. karen.briere@producer.com FOR SASKATCHEWAN BUDGET COVERAGE, SEE PAGES 14, 15 AND 19.

Farmers take hit on fuel exemption, education tax

Tax exemptions remain for seed, pesticides and new equipment, but taxes on agricultural land will climb

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

Saskatchewan farm leaders say they expected the hits they took in last week's provincial budget, knowing that the pain of the drastic drop in resource revenue would have to be spread around.

The province is expecting a deficit of at least \$1.3 billion in the last fiscal year. The 2017-18 budgets hiked taxes and cut spending.

"I don't think there's any argument that we're definitely paying our share," said Todd Lewis, president of the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan.

Farmers lost their 15-cent-perlitre tax exemption on bulk gasoline purchases and saw the exemption on diesel for on-field use drop to 80 percent. They will now pay three cents per litre in road tax for diesel

Those two measures together will contribute \$40.2 million to the provincial general revenue fund.

Finance Minister Kevin Doherty said the government decided to maintain tax exemptions on inputs such as seed, pesticides and new equipment because no other province taxes them. He said it represents a substantial amount of money and it was considered.

"I can't imagine what would happen to our economy in rural Saskatchewan if we were — the home of agriculture in Canada — if we were the first government in Canada to tax those inputs," he said.

Education tax is going up as the province moves to a 60-40 government-property tax split. Individual situations will vary depending on



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property reassessments but overall the tax on agricultural land will climb from \$39 million last year to \$46.1 million this year.

As well, the expansion of the provincial sales tax, along with a one percentage point hike in the tax, to insurance premiums will also affect farmers.

"It's not unusual for an average sized farm to have, between per-

sonal insurance and crop insurance and hail insurance, I mean, those bills can get up to \$100,000," Lewis said.

"That's a \$6,000 hit. That's definitely something that will be felt."

Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart said nobody wants to pay more taxes, but farmers he spoke to on budget day appeared to be expecting worse.

"They seemed to be accepting it and willing to pay their share."

Stewart said farmers don't use a lot of gasoline in farming operations anymore, so the loss of that exemption won't affect operations.

"The 20 percent reduction in the rebate for diesel fuel is really (the) equivalent of the portion that's deemed to be used for on-road transportation," Stewart said.

"It seems to be fair that we would

as farmers pay some tax on that portion of the fuel that we use on roads."

Agriculture critic Cathy Sproule said she would be asking the government how it made the decisions.

"What is the transformational change analysis that they're applying? How did they come up with that figure," she said.

Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association chair Ryan Beierbach said producers will be watching to see just how all the changes add up.

"We all run our own businesses and we understand that if you're spending more than you make, you've got to deal with that issue," he said. "We're doing our share to help take care of the provincial deficit."

The ministry budget is estimated at \$388.6 million.

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SASKATCHEWAN BUDGET

Sask. to nix community pasture program

BY KAREN BRIERE

REGINA BUREAU

Consultation began this week on the Saskatchewan government's decision to wind down its community pasture program.

The measure was announced in last week's provincial budget, although the government said there is no financial impact in 2017-18 and the program operates on a break-even basis through the Pastures Revolving Fund.

This grazing season will be the last that the program operates as it currently does. There are 50 pastures encompassing 780,000 acres.



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AGRICULTURE MINISTER

Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart said none of the 136 employees will be affected this year.

"We don't believe that looking after privately owned cattle is a core function of government," he said.

"We've been reviewing our programs and we're eliminating the ones that we don't think we should be in, and that's one that's been identified."

He said the pastures would still be available for grazing cattle. The consultation will determine an operating model and possibly ownership of at least some of the crown land.

The program was created in 1922 to help small cattle producers and diversify agriculture.

Stewart said the program has served that purpose.

About five percent of the provincial herd and about 1,300 producers use the pastures.

The public consultation will take place online March 27 through

May 8, and the ministry will meet with stakeholders including First Nations and Métis communities on future management options.

Land that might be sold will be subject to the provisions of the Wildlife Habitat Protection Act, which classifies it into three categories of ecological value.

Land with high ecological value cannot be sold, while land that is of moderate value can be sold but requires a crown conservation easement. Low value land may be sold without restriction.

Stewart said one-third of the land is classified as high value.

"The other two-thirds will be split between moderate and low, with the majority of that being moderate," he said.

Depending on how the transition occurs, there could be jobs for existing employees to continue managing the grazing land, he said.

Shane Jahnke, president of the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association, said discontinuation of the program wouldn't cause too much concern.

"It wasn't a shock after what we went through with the federal pastures," he said.

"The government has assured us that they are going to work with the patrons to maintain grazing on them, so that's a positive sign."

Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association chair Ryan Beierbach said producers have been fairly happy with the transition of the federal pastures to patron control and this should be a smoother process.

However, NDP agriculture critic Cathy Sproule said she is concerned that small and medium sized cattle producers won't have access to pastures.

"I think it's just going to shut down a whole bunch of people out of cattle, which is not a good thing for the province," she said.

The online consultation documents can be found at www.sas-katchewan.ca/pastures.

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Rural Sask. hit with funding, bus transportation cuts

BY KAREN BRIERE

Rural residents will notice the loss of the Saskatchewan Transportation Company, says the head of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities.

Ray Orb said the government's decision to close the provincial bus company to freight as of May 19 and passengers as of May 31 is a concern.

"It's still a fairly valuable service, especially to some of the smaller communities, especially for seniors who might have problems getting into the bigger centre," he said after the budget speech announcing the decision.

"Obviously it's been subsidized quite highly.... I wish there was some alternative way that we could still operate a publicly owned transportation system that I think

still should be viewed as an asset to rural Saskatchewan."

STC served 253 communities, but the only profitable route was Regina to Saskatoon and occasionally Saskatoon to Prince Albert, said Finance Minister Kevin Doherty.

The closure will leave 224 people out of work.

Doherty choked up when asked about people left without jobs as a result of the budget. Another 230 cleaners in government buildings already knew their positions would be cut, and 80 health region employees will be cut through the move to a provincial health authority.

"I take no comfort in this ... those are tough decisions," he said.

However, STC last turned a profit in 1979, and the government spent \$112 million over the last 10 years subsidizing the company. It estimated \$85 million was needed for the next five years.

The subsidy was \$25 per passenger 10 years ago and is now \$94.

STC has tried a number of ways over the years to entice more passengers. It also cut routes and changed schedules to try to save money, yet the subsidy continued

SINCE 1990, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE TAKING THE BUS IS DOWN BY ABOUT

600,000

to grow and ridership dropped.

The corporation estimated 182,400 people would take the bus this year. In 1990, nearly 788,000 rode the bus.

Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan president

Todd Lewis said the loss will be felt in many communities.

"Certainly the STC (cut) is disproportionately a hit against rural Saskatchewan without doubt," he said. "Transit in the rest of Canada is pretty important, but we don't have it in rural Saskatchewan now in a lot of cases."

The government says the private sector could step in to provide both freight and passenger services to areas where there is demand.

Rural residents used the bus to get to medical appointments in larger centres, and many farmers used the freight service to get parts and supplies.

Funding for rural roads was also cut this year. SARM had wanted the Municipal Roads for the Economy Program budget to be reinstated to the \$25.5 million it used to be.

Last year, it was set at \$16 million and in this budget it is \$14 million.

Orb said the province had come back to the municipalities last year and cut it from the original amount, so the \$14 million isn't too far off where they already were.

"Obviously citing the economic state of our economy, we're going to work more efficiently," he said.

SARM works with the highways ministry and project management board on road projects, and Orb said they will share services where possible and "stretch that money as far we as we can."

Revenue sharing funding for municipalities is down this year as expected. The government provides revenue from one percentage point of the provincial sales tax to municipalities, but it is based on revenue from two years' prior.

Rural municipalities will receive \$72.8 million this year compared to nearly \$77 million last year.

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SASKATCHEWAN BUDGET

Short-line rail operators say cut to sustainability grant a hit to economy

Eliminating the \$900,000 grant, matched by shortlines, takes almost \$2 million from local economy

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

Saskatchewan short-line railways say the chance to buy provincially owned rail cars doesn't offset the loss of a \$900,000 annual sustainability grant they would no longer receive.

Perry Pellerin, president of the Western Canadian Short Line Railway Association, said the 13 short lines could use the cars but he doesn't know if they could afford them. As well, the cars have only 14 years of life left, according to the Association of American Railroads rules.

The province announced in its budget released last week that 900 provincial cars would be sold and short-line rail companies are first in line.

However, Pellerin expressed worry about other costs.

He said the revenue from the cars, which the province leased to railways, paid for a sustainability grant offered on a cost-shared basis to short lines. It paid for maintenance and track infrastructure upgrades.

"If you take their \$900,000 we used to have to match that, that's almost \$2 million that went back into the local economy and that's all gone now," he said.

According to the corporation's 2015-16 annual report, lease revenue from the cars was a record \$2.7 million. Slightly more than half the cars were leased to Canadian Pacific Railway and 46 percent were leased to Last Mountain Railway as of July 31. 2016.

Since the corporation purchased 1,000 cars in 1981 for \$55 million, it paid \$20.5 million in dividends to the general revenue fund. Hopper car total revenue was \$35.2 million.

One hundred cars were taken out of service after they were destroyed.

The government said the cost today to replace all 1,000 cars would be about \$100 million.

Highways Minister David Marit wouldn't say how much the remaining cars are worth. The book value in the annual report is \$6.3 million. He said short-line operators were aware in November that they would be offered the cars.



DAVID MARIT HIGHWAYS MINISTER

"They were positive on that they were going to be able to do their financing and we did offer a mechanism for them to do that," Marit said.

The decision to cut the sustainability grant was difficult, he said, because it levered two-to-one dollars. The province has promised to help find money for the short lines through federal environmental programs that would reward moving traffic off roads and onto rail.

Pellerin said with only 14 years to use the cars, the government might as well have hung onto them.

He said short lines have significant expenses coming from new crossing and bridge regulations.

He also questioned how the government would reach a decision if bids for the cars from a short line and from another bidder are close.

"Would they take a little hit?" he asked. "They haven't told us."

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ALBERTA INFRASTRUCTURE

Road repair keeps RMs hopping

Rural municipalities are scrambling to maintain infrastructure

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH

EDMONTON — There are more than 226,000 kilometres of public roads in Alberta, and many of them fall under municipal jurisdiction.

That means the upkeep of roads and other infrastructure such as bridges falls on municipalities, but money is getting tight within a shrinking rural population.

"We only have access to less than 10 percent of the tax dollars collected on an average, and yet we have significant draws," said Al Kemmere, president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

"About 50 to 60 percent of the roads and the infrastructure are there, yet we don't have the population base."

The subject of tax collection is an ongoing one for the association.

During the spring convention held March 21 in Edmonton, Kemmere talked about finding new ways to collect taxes when there are significant shortfalls.

"The needs are growing," he said in an interview during the meeting.

"The deficit continues to grow. If we don't get adequate funding, we can't put it all on the backs of the property tax base."

Money needs to come from the other levels of government that are able to pull in revenue from other

Another burden comes from bankrupt companies, particularly in the oil industry where wells are not pumping and support industry workers are laid off in small communities. Unpaid property taxes for the 2016 fiscal year totals about \$17 million, but municipalities still must remit the education tax to the province.

"We are having to drain money out of our regular tax base to pay for these companies that are no longer solvent and yet we still have their assessment on our books," he said.

Some municipalities have to modify their service levels or set aside projects, while others have some reserves that cannot continue indefinitely.

The association passed a resolution asking the province for an exemption on the education tax or a rebate when municipalities are unable to collect education property taxes.

Landowners are also taxpayers, and they are struggling to collect

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rents as well as deal with abandoned leases. The issue has a domino effect across rural Alberta.

"All of a sudden they see a quick decline in their revenue, but they have got a mess on their property that somebody is going to have to look after," Kemmere said.



AL KEMMERE
ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL
DISTRICTS AND COUNTIES

"It is an escalating piece that isn't going to go away as long as the oil sector continues to struggle."

Funding difficulties exist across the country, said Clark Somerville, president of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. Longterm funding assurances are needed, and other levels of governments need to contribute to roads, bridges and water systems.

"The provinces need to commit to their full and fair share," he said.

The federal government is expected to provide \$80 billion over the next 10 years, but only \$2 billion is targeted at rural and northern communities.

"That fund should be targeted only for projects that are not covered by other parts of the funding model," said Somerville.

Alberta also has access to a \$1.2 billion municipal sustainability fund, which was maintained in the most recent budget.

Major infrastructure projects are planned over the next four years to rehabilitate public services, create jobs and transport products, said Deron Bilous, the provincial minister of economic development.

"We recognize those investments through roads or bridges are absolutely critical to the economy recovering," he said.

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MARIJUANA GUIDELINES

RMs discuss rules in legalized pot era

Restrictions wanted on location of retail outlets

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

EDMONTON — In a pivotal scene from the movie *The Godfather*, a meeting of mafia dons discusses how to implement the drug trade in an orderly fashion.

One of the dons is adamant that the trade must be kept away from children and schools.

Municipal rural councillors probably feel the same way when the federal government legalizes marijuana and new entrepreneurs approach local jurisdictions for permission to set up businesses.

Municipalities want to be prepared by developing land use bylaws to keep these operations in an appropriate location, said Al Kemmere, president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

The federal government plans to legalize pot by 2018.

We have got to find a way to help them have land use planning documents prepared. We need to have them in the right places.

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Municipalities and provincial governments need to see the rules before they can make plans, Kemmere said in a March 21 interview during the association's spring meeting in Edmonton.

"We have got to find a way to help them have land use planning documents prepared," he said.

"We need to have them in the right places."

Land use bylaws should be ready to avoid conflicts similar to local eruptions over intensive livestock operations in the early 2000s. Projects were stonewalled, and the province eventually wrote the Agriculture Operations Practices Act, which sets out how and where these farms may be located.

Besides ensuring that they are located appropriately, grow operations should also pay taxes like any other business.

"The municipalities are going to be stuck with having some of them, so there needs to be a revenue stream," he said.

"Change in the land use can help those municipalities."

There is a medical grow op in Kemmere's home municipality of Mountainview County north of Calgary. The owner wants to expand, and Kemmere expects more applications will come to councils, so they need to be prepared.

Alberta Justice Minister Kathleen Ganley wants strict rules.

"While access will be legal, there will also be legal restrictions such as age at access as well as where retail and wholesale outlets can be located," she told the convention.

All levels of government have to be involved to ensure retail and wholesale outlets are regulated and kept secure, she said.

Child proof packaging and clear labels on serving sizes and edible products must be developed.

Ganley was part of a group that traveled to Colorado, where marijuana was legalized several years ago. The state advised setting up a strong regulatory framework, data collection and tracking of successes and failures within the new business.

The federal government has promised a provincial-federal task force with input from public health, substance abuse experts, law enforcement and the different levels of government. They will develop regulations, develop a sales distribution system and calculate excise taxes.

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FOOD SAFETY

CFIA results on glyphosate testing apt to be controversial

The report may change how consumers view the safety of food in Canada

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The Canadian Food Inspection Agency is about to release a report that could change the public perception of glyphosate.

Since 2015, CFIA scientists have been testing food for residues of glyphosate, a product best known by the Roundup brand name, although other brands and generic exist. It is the most popular herbicide in the world.

In 2016, the CFIA said it was planning to test a long list of foods and commodities, including juices, grains, grain products, beans, peas, lentils, soybean products and barley.

Before these tests, the CFIA had not monitored food for residues of the herbicide.

In an email, the agency said it would release an executive summary of the report in a food safety testing bulletin in about a month.

"The executive summary will provide context to what that report means for the health and safety of consumers. An email notification will also be sent to subscribers of the CFIA's Reports on Food Safety Testing."

The report could generate a great deal of media attention in Canada because glyphosate is one of the most controversial agricultural chemicals in Europe and America.

Last year, the European Union came close to banning it because of a scientific report from the World Health Organization (WHO).

Health report

In March of 2015, the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), a WHO division, concluded that glyphosate is "probably carcinogenic" to humans.

The IARC decision rocked the scientific status quo around glyphosate, as previous studies and most toxicologists had concluded that it's not carcinogenic.

The IARC report spawned countless lawsuits in the U.S., with environmental groups suing companies over glyphosate residues in foods like granola bars and honey.

California may soon require that glyphosate products carry a label saying it's a cancer threat because of the IARC ruling.

Environmental groups are waiting on the CFIA report because it could alter the public debate in Canada.

"Naturally, we welcome the Canadian Food Inspection Agency publishing data on glyphosate contamination levels in food. People have a right to know what risks they're taking when they go food shopping," said Eoin Dubsky, from SumOfUs, a global group dedicated to curbing the power of corporations.

"Publicly revealing glyphosate contamination levels in food could also help producers and brands think over their relationship to glyphosate and hopefully

we'll hear smarter food industry players committing to cut the toxic stuff and regain consumer trust."

The CFIA report comes at a time when IARC and the credibility of its study are under attack.

The European Food Safety Authority, WHO, Health Canada and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have studied the risk and said the herbicide doesn't cause cancer.

In mid-March, the European

Chemicals Agency said direct contact can cause eye damage, and chronic exposure poses a risk to aquatic life, but it said glyphosate isn't carcinogenic to

"The available scientific evidence did not meet the criteria ... to classify glyphosate for specific target organ toxicity, or as a carcinogen, as a mutagen or for reproductive toxicity."

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PRODUCER COMPENSATION

Sask. to use AgriRecovery to fund TB quarantine costs

BY KAREN BRIERE
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Saskatchewan has signed an agreement with Ottawa to try to recover funds it spent to help producers affected by bovine tuberculosis quarantines.

The AgriRecovery initiative was signed earlier this month after the province helped producers with the costs of keeping animals that should have gone to market.

Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart had said in January that the government would compensate producers through the existing budget because the total wasn't expected to be more than \$100,000.

There are five affected producers

on four premises.

Under the terms of the agreement, Ottawa would pay 60 percent of the costs, or about \$60,000, and Saskatchewan would pay 40 percent.

Final costs aren't yet known.

However, costs eligible for payment include up to 90 percent of cleaning and disinfection and daily payments for feed, yardage and interest carrying costs.

Feed and yardage are reimbursed at 90 percent of \$3.49 per day per cull animal and bred heifer and \$2.28 per calf. Interest is also paid at 90 percent of 15 cents per cull animal and bred heifer and 14 cents per calf.

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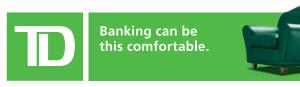
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NATURAL BEAUTY

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LOOKING BACK

Racism an old issue with sad history

Few Canadians remember the horrific mistreatment of Japanese citizens during the Second World War

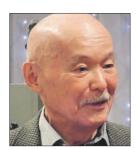
BY BARB GLEN LETHBRIDGE BUREAU

Racism around the globe is getting a lot of attention these days.

Much of it relates to "Islamaphobia" and U.S. political actions that affect immigrants.

But few Canadians consider the racism that was directly aimed at Japanese Canadians nearly 80 years agothat can serve as a warning today.

George Takashima, a retired educator, hospital chaplain and pastor, was a child when the Canadian government in February 1942 forced Japanese people to move away from the British Columbia coast to internment camps further inland.



GEORGE TAKASHIMA

It was a direct response to the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbour during the Second World War but more than half the approximately 23,000 Japanese living in Canada at that time were born here.

 $Nevertheless, while these {\it Japanese}$ Canadians were interned in camps or forced to live elsewhere in the country, their homes, farms, fishing boats and businesses were sold.

It is a chapter in Canadian history that is inadequately told, said Takashima.

"In this day and age, with Trumpism on the rise, we need to be aware of what can happen not only in the United States but here in Canada, and so we need to make sure that this kind of thing does not repeat itself again."

In recent years, Takashima has conducted bus tours of internment camp ghost towns in B.C.'s West Kootenays and is sharing stories about the Japanese Canadian wartime and post-war experience.

Not all Japanese Canadians welcome his activities, he said, during an address at the Southern Alberta Council on Public Affairs.

"Some of the Japanese would say, 'what's the purpose of telling your story?' And the purpose is it's a history that people need to know. It's a history that we need to learn from," Takashima said.

"It's only in recent years that there have been units of studies developed by groups of teachers across the land in high school, but it's never been part of the curriculum









and this is one of the aims that we wanted to pursue, was to get this story told through the curriculum."

That story would include the 1942 edict from government, telling Japanese Canadians to take only what they could carry and report for transport to places unknown. Some of those places proved to be hastily established camps near New Denver, Greenwood, Kaslo and the Slocan Valley of B.C.

Takashima said the larger shacks erected in New Denver were about four by eight metres and were shared by two families. In most cases, those two families had never met each other until forced to share a building.

Built of green lumber and initially viewed the Japanese as "undesirwithout running water or electricity, the shacks soon developed cracks, subjecting inhabitants to weather and forcing them to take what steps they could to block the drafts and stay warm.

About 12,000 people went to the camps, and others were sent east of the Rockies into southern Alberta and Manitoba, where many worked in sugar beet fields.

Those who resisted internment were sent to prisoner of war camps in Ontario. History shows racism against Japanese Canadians existed long before the war and extended long afterward.

Caucasians in British Columbia

ables" and prevented them from voting and having meaningful citizenship, Takashima said.

Canada was also at war with Germany and Italy during the Second World War, but nothing happened to those citizens at the time.

"Those Germans and Italians living in Canada, and their offspring, were never rounded up. They never lost their property," said Takashima.

'Why the Japanese? That tells me that it was a kind of racism that really existed more in B.C. and that the federal government was only trying to appease the B.C. government and the politicians there."

Those who came to southern

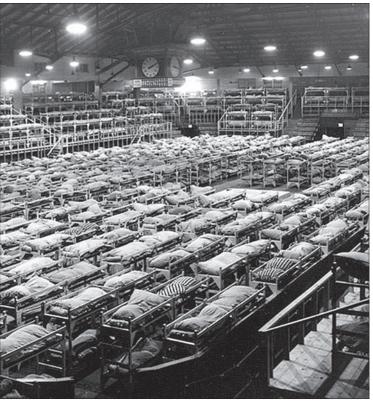
Alberta also faced racism, as recounted in The Homefront in Alberta, a history of the province during the war years.

The government opposed the placement of Japanese Canadians in the province and demanded they be removed at the end of the war. Those who did come were promised decent housing and standards of living but many ended up living in granaries and chicken coops and restrictions were placed on where they could work, live and move.

History shows the internment addressed no threat to national security. As the Canadian Encyclopedia recounts: "The military threat cited to justify the evacuation of the







SOMBER FACTS

In 1941, 23,512 people of Japanese origin were registered by the RCMP.

As of Nov. 14, 1942:

- 19,924 Japanese Canadians were interned in camps and projects in Canada.
- 699 were interned as "prisoners of war" in Angler or Petawawa, Ont.
- 111 were held in detention in Vancouver.
- 105 remained in the Hastings Park tuburculosis ward until April 1943, awaiting the opening of the New Denver sanitorium.
- 2,428 lived outside the restricted area prior to internment.



Japanese Canadians were interned in camps set up by the Canadian government after the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbour in 1942. Those who resisted were sent to prisoner of war camps in Ontario. PHOTOS PROVIDED BY KNUD PETERSEN

overheated imaginations of some British Columbians. Not a single Japanese Canadian was charged with any wrongdoing."

Takashima said the internment had a profound affect on Japanese Canadian culture and attitudes, including his own.

It fostered a push toward integration and a subversion of Japanese culture. Parents put huge emphasis on education for their children and urged them to excel in all things as a protection against future prejudice.

"It didn't take long for the young people to get into the mainstream society," said Takashima.

"They also remembered what their

 $\label{lem:parents} \textit{Japanese never existed outside the} \quad \textit{parents had said even before the war}$ ended, forget about your 'Japaneseness, forget about Japanese culture, forget about Japanese language. Forget about anything that is Japanese. You've got to ... assimilate into the mainstream society.'

"Many of us, including me, did that. "A bunch of us were known as bananas ... Yellow on the outside but white on the inside because we thought like the mainstream society. We integrated very well.'

Now, about 85 percent of Japanese immigrants to Canada from before the war have intermarried, and Takashima speculated that in 25 years, there won't be any "pure blood" Japanese Canadians.

Some older citizens remain bitter about the internment and treatment at the hands of the government.

"They will not let that bitterness go," he said, and even now, many won't discuss what happened to them or their relatives.

In 1988, the Canadian government officially apologized for the wrongs it committed against Japanese Canadians during the war.

"It did provide some closure," Takashima said. "It meant something to a goodly number of the older Japanese Canadians, those who had lived during the internment era and before that."

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SASKATCHEWAN BUDGET

Sask. gov't cuts education spending

But school boards are safe in 2017 budget

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

Education spending is down, education property tax is up and Saskatchewan school boards will remain as they are, taxpayers learned in last week's provincial budget.

Operational spending for K-12 education in the 28 school divi $sions \, dropped \, \$67 \, million \, or \, 1.2$ percent from last year. Divisions will get \$1.86 billion from government and property taxes.

Overall, education will receive \$2.02 billion, the second largest allocation behind the \$5.2 billion health budget.

The cut led Saskatchewan Teachers Federation president Patrick Maze to say rural teachers should be concerned.

"Schools that are of low attendance, they're going to be under close scrutiny," he said. "I wouldn't be surprised if school divisions are looking for cuts somewhere."

But it was the announcement that school divisions wouldn't be amalgamated that struck

Finance minister Kevin Doherty said the government clearly heard that people, rural residents in particular, wanted local representation to remain elected and boundaries to be unchanged.

"Our MLAs were literally swamped," he said, referring to feedback from constituents regarding possible changes.

The government will make some legislative changes to give the education minister more authority when it comes to directing shared services such as procurement, bussing, payroll and salary ranges for $administrators\, and\, trustees.$

Maze said the government wasn't interested in transforming the education system in the

"When you look at elected versus appointed governance, I think there was an opportunity to get things right there," he said. "It's a bigger discussion that should have been had."

He said while school boards are protected, students are not. Saskatchewan School Boards

Association president Shawn Davidson said boards have a huge job ahead of them in their own budgets.

"In most divisions, about 75 percent of their expenditure is people," he said. "What that will mean will be different for every member board."

Boards have different needs, he said. For example, some require English as an additional language services more than others.

Davidson said boards also have to wait for more details on $changes\,to\,the\,funding\,formula$ before they can proceed.

On the decision to keep all 28 boards, he said he wasn't too surprised.

"They heard loud and clear

from the public that education belongs to the community and that local voice is important in decisions surrounding education and allocation of property tax dollars," he said.

He added that boards are already working together on things like bulk purchasing of natural gas and bussing but the SSBA will help the boards find more efficiencies.

The government also moved to restore the 60 percent government/40 percent property tax funding split for education. In recent years, the property tax portion was around 35 percent.

It lowered mill rates for all property classes, but because of reassessment, the government will actually take in more revenue. Property will be affected differently depending on reassessed value.

The mill rate for agricultural land dropped to 1.43 from 2.67 last year, while the mill rate went to 4.12 from 5.03 on residential land.

Tax revenue raised from agri $cultural \, land \, will \, climb \, to \, \46.1 million from \$39 million, while residential taxes will go to \$359.6 million from \$324.7 mil-

Commercial/industrial and resource lands together will contribute the remainder.

The total education tax raised from property will rise by \$67 million or nearly 10 percent, from \$680 million to \$746.9 mil-

In other budget areas, the health budget is up but there are increases to some long-term care fees and cuts to the hearing aid plan, podiatry services, lowcost orthotics and continuous positive airway pressure generators for sleep apnea sufferers. Government will still cover lowincome residents.

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BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Other announcements in the 2017 Sask. budget include:

- The province is forecasting a deficit of \$685 million this year and a \$304 million deficit in 2018.
- The provincial sales tax will increase to six percent and PST exemptions will be lifted on children's clothing, restaurant meals, construction services and other items.
- Regional park funding has been cut by 50 percent.
- The Saskatchewan Transportation Company is being axed, eliminating 224
- Provincial universities, colleges and technical institutes will have their funding cut by five percent.
- Funding for highway infrastructure has been cut by \$15 million.

Source: staff research





ABOVE: Amber Magnusson, left, receives coaching from Nancy Maurer about how to lean into a horse to relax and hear its heart beat.

LEFT: Magnusson and Maurer are surrounded by attention seeking animals, including Little Angel, a miniature horse. They visit nursing homes and birthday parties as part of the services offered by Discovery Ranch. | CHRISTALEE FROESE PHOTOS

ON THE FARM

Passions combined to help people with problems

Retired dairy farmer turns barns into meeting rooms and arena to provide equine-assisted psychotherapy for clients with mental illness

BY CHRISTALEE FROESE FREELANCE WRITER

GRENFELL, Sask. — For four decades, Nancy Maurer has been in careers providing needed goods and services to people as a lab and X-ray technician and dairy farmer.

When she retired in 2011, she

When she retired in 2011, she knew that helping people would

have to continue.

After she and her husband, Daryl, and Lavern and Jan Maurer sold the dairy herd and milk quota and rented the land, Maurer saw an opportunity to combine her passion for horses and people through an equine therapy service.

"I've always loved to help people, it didn't matter if it was my kid or

someone else's kid, or my dog, that's just part of who I am," said the mother of four adult children.

At age 60, Maurer took a leap of faith, travelling to the United States to take an EAGALA equine therapy course and converting the family's barn and cow shed into a meeting room and indoor arena.

She established a non-profit cor-

poration and began seeking clients to work with her, social workers and 15 horses at Discovery Ranch.

The equine assisted psychotherapy and learning ranch offers a variety of services, including sessions for individuals, couples and families and workshops and camps dealing with specific ailments like post-traumatic stress disorder and depression.

Some clients are referred to Maurer by social workers or educators, while others find the ranch through word of mouth.

Maurer said the addition of horses to the therapy mix helps speed up both issue identification and healing.

"It's the intuition that the horse has that makes them very special for therapy," said Maurer, who works in tandem with a social worker or psychologist.

There's no hiding your feelings from a horse because they already know what's happening inside. The horses will mirror what is going on with the client.

NANCY MAURER

EQUINE THERAPIST

"There's no hiding your feelings from a horse because they already knowwhat's happening inside. The horses will mirror what is going on with the client."

The quick identification of issues allows clients to learn to release their anxieties and fears.

"If I have someone who is having trouble opening up, I say, 'take this horse for a walk and go to a quiet place and thank it for its attention and then tell it something you've never told anyone before,' " said Maurer, adding that the ability to tell troubles to a non-judgmental being often sets something in her clients free.

Maurer said she has observed complete turnarounds in clients after working with the horses.

"We had a young fellow come to

ON THE FARM



DISCOVERY RANCH Grenfell, Sask.

us several years ago and he had cuts all the way up his arms from harming himself and he was into drugs and was hanging out with a bad crowd," said Maurer, who has worked with the boy for the past two years on a weekly basis.

He is now 16 years old, drug free and has stopped harming himself.

"He's really quite a wonderful fellow and he simply would not have done well in talk therapy because he has a hard time finding words," said Maurer.

She points to one particular equine therapy exercise that was life changing for the young man. He had to design a course for the horse to move through, adding four obstacles that were problems in his life. As he led the horse along the path, the final obstacle stopped the horse completely and caused it to protest strongly.

"That horse would back up or pull to the right or the left. It wasn't going anywhere near that obstacle," said Maurer.

The social worker subsequently took the boy outside for a talk and found out that the blockage was thoughts of suicide and the boy was finally able to discuss the issue openly, releasing some of the anxiety around it.

Amber Magnusson, an equine massage therapist who has been working with Maurer for more than a year, said the equine therapist has a special ability to communicate with clients.

"Nancy's energy helps you, too, because she's so laid back and always smiling and laughing and that makes you feel very welcome and you know she wants the best foryou," said Magnusson.



QUICK MEALS

Enjoy crack slaw in a skillet

TEAM RESOURCES



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we have officially climbed out of the winter season. We are craving sunlight, the smell of fresh moist dirt, bright colours and the sound of geese flying overhead.

As we enjoy the longer days, we tend to change the way we eat. Our menus become simpler and less heavy and more often we opt for a quick cooking method with a grill or skillet rather than a slow oven baked meal that kept us satisfied during the cold winter.

Fresh, raw side dishes such as healthy berries and vegetables are what our bodies crave as we adjust to spring temperatures and increased activity.

Enjoy these recipe ideas.

CRACK SLAW SKILLET

It's an easy and uniquely different one-dish meal that is a low carbohydrate option. Serve with fresh vegetables or greens with a dressing of your choice.

ground beef 1 lb. salt and pepper to taste 2 tbsp. garlic minced 2 cloves (you can also use 1/2 tbsp. garlic seasoning) green onions, chopped coleslaw mix 1 bag 500 mL (about 2 c.) 2 tbsp. soy sauce 30 mL 1/2 tsp. Sriracha sauce 2 mL ginger, minced 1/2 tsp. 2 mL or ground white vinegar 5 mL

Brown ground beef and season with salt and pepper to taste.

Remove from pan and set aside.

Heat up the oil and saute garlic, onions and slaw in sesame oil until cabbage cooked to desired tenderness. Stir in the soy sauce, Sriracha sauce, ginger and vinegar. Add browned hamburger, mix well and serve.

Serve with Sriracha sauce for those who crave more heat. Serves four. Source: www.food.com.

SPICED CARROT CAKE WITH CREAM CHEESE ICING

Carrot cake is an efficient and resourceful way to use up those fall carrots that are starting to lose their vigour. Serve with fresh berries for additional nutrition.

2 c.	flour	500	mL
2 tsp.	baking powder	10	mL
1 tsp.	baking soda	5	mL
1 tbsp.	ground cinnamon	15	mL
1/4 tsp.	ground nutmeg	1	mL
	dash ground cloves		
1/2 tsp.	salt	2	mL
4	eggs		
3/4 c.	oil	175	mL
3/4 c.	buttermilk	175	mL
2 c.	sugar	500	mL
2 large	carrots,	500	mL
	shredded (about 2 c	•	
1 can	crushed pineapple,	540	mL
	well drained		
1 c.	chopped walnuts	250	mL

or pecans

1 pkg. cream cheese, 250 g softened

1/4 c. butter, melted 60 mL 2-3 c. icing sugar 500-750 mL to sweetness desired

2 tsp. vanilla 10mL

Preheat oven to 350 F (180 C).

In a mixing bowl, combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda, spices and salt.

Whisk eggs and oil in a large mixing bowl, add sugar until thoroughly combined.

Add flour mixture, carrots, pineapple and nuts, then pour into a prepared three litre fluted tube pan or 10-inch tube pan.

Bake 45 to 50 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean.

Cool in pan 10 minutes, then loos-

en cake from sides of pan with knife. Carefully remove from the pan and

Note: If you do not have buttermilk, add a dash of lemon juice or vinegar to 3/4 c. whole milk.

Icing: Beat cream cheese and butter in large bowl with mixer until well blended. Gradually beat in icing sugar until well blended, then add vanilla and combine well.

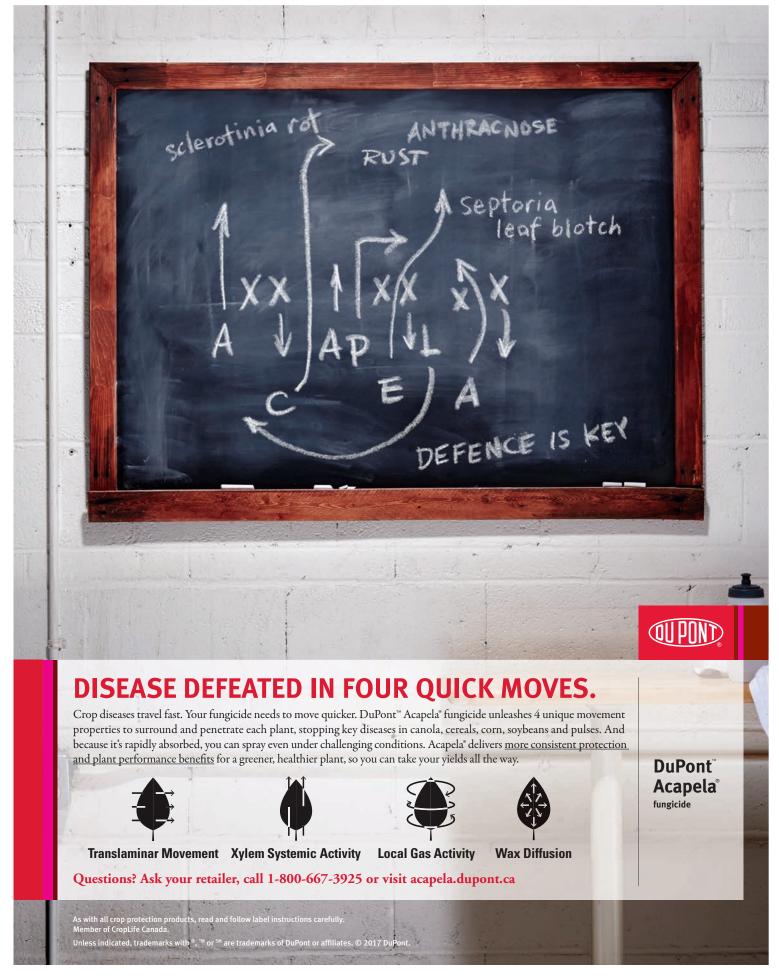
Gently spoon over the cooled cake and smooth out with a spatula.

Source: Adapted from www.kraft-kitchens.com.

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Crack slaw skillet is easy to prepare and makes a filling meal. I IODIE MIROSOVSKY PHOTO



TRAVEL

Nicaragua rich in natural and historic treasures



ARLENE & ROBIN KARPAN

he looming peak of Telica volcano gradually got closer as our Land Cruiser bumped along the rough trail. At road's end, we hiked up the steep hillside, huffing and puffing as steam belched from Telica's gaping crater.

We reached the top just before sunset, when the sun and clouds co-operated in a dazzling show, and it felt like we were on top of the world looking over peaks and volcano cones dotting the country-side. The real show came after dark.

Our guide led us slowly and carefully to the lip of the crater, flashlights in hand, and crawling on hands and knees the last few metres so as not to inadvertently step over the brink. Peering over the edge into the abyss, we could see the mesmerizing sight of molten-hot red lava swirling far below.

It was the lure of seeing volcanoes that first piqued our interest in Nicaragua but we found a lot more, including a mix of spectacular natural attractions and historic colonial treasures, combined with friendly people and moderate costs.

As abonus, it's considered one of the safer countries in the region to visit.

The capital Managua is a sprawling urban jungle with no redeeming features. Like many visitors, we headed straight from the airport to the nearby pleasant historic city of Grenada.

Founded in 1524 on the shores of Lake Nicaragua, it's considered the oldest European city on mainland America and is known for its many well-preserved colonial buildings.

The city of Leon is similarly endowed with colonial treasures, its centrepiece being the colossal 18th century cathedral. It's the largest in Central America and a UNESCO world heritage site.

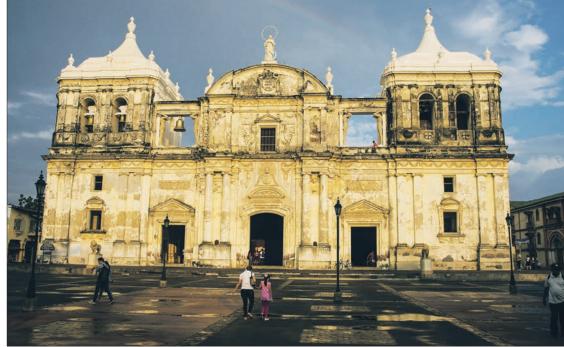
Revolutionary history is especially prevalent in Leon, where monuments galore celebrate the Sandinista overthrow of dictator Anastasio Somoza in the late 1970s.

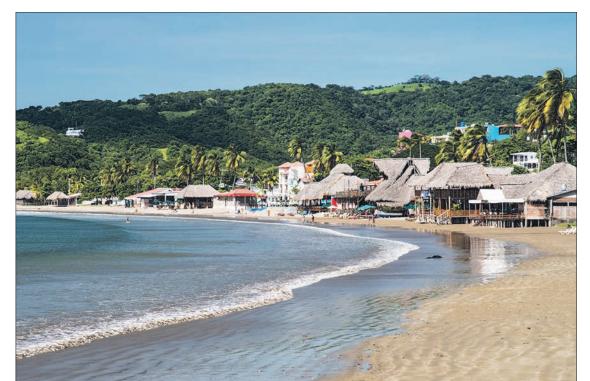
Both cities make great bases for exploring the countryside. We did our Telica trip from Leon, while from Grenada, we visited Mombacho volcano, almost perpetually encased in a moist cloud forest, and Masaya volcano, one of few active volcanoes in the world to have a road right up to the crater rim.

Just next to Masaya's parking lot, we peered over the edge into the massive boiling cauldron. When Spanish conquistadors first saw this sight, they dubbed it the mouth of hell

Besides volcanoes, Nicaragua's defining natural feature is massive Lake Nicaragua. We took a ferry to the largest island, Ometepe, which is hour glass shaped and dominated by two towering volcanoes.

Lightly populated, the island is a Biosphere Reserve, its natural forests home to monkeys and other creatures, black sand beaches and the unique Eye of the Water Spring,







where crystal clear water forms a natural swimming pool, surrounded by jungle greenery.

Mostly, the island remains a pleasant getaway where life moves a bit slower.

One highlight of our visit wasn't planned. We heard reports that Olive Ridley turtles were coming ashore by the thousands to nest, so we headed to San Juan del Sur on the Pacific coast. Most famous as a beach resort, the town is also close

to a turtle sanctuary.

During nesting season, late-night guided tours are offered. We were only allowed flashlights with a dim red light that doesn't disturb the turtles.

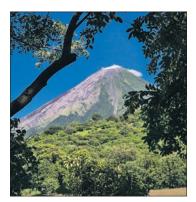
As each wave washed up onto the beach, more turtles would suddenly appear in the moonlight. The narrow beach soon became crowded with turtles trying to find the ideal spot to dig their nest.

It wasn't unusual for a nearly

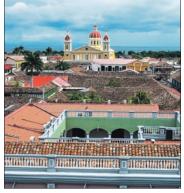
metre-long giant to silently appear at our feet, totally oblivious to us. Laboriously, she scooped away the sand with her hind flippers and started laying eggs. She then covered the eggs with sand and headed back to sea.

It was a privilege to be in the midst of one of nature's age-old rituals.

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Leon's massive cathedral is a popular tourist attraction.

Concepcion volcano is one of two volcanoes on the hour glass-shaped Ometepe Island.

Spider monkeys frolic in the trees near Lake Nicaragua.

A view of the colonial buildings of Grenada, one of the oldest European cities in South America.

This is the lookout over Masaya volcano.

A fisherman casts his net early in the morning at Lake Nicaragua.

The beach resort of San Juan del Sur is close to a turtle sanctuary and offers late-night guided tours.

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GREEN ENERGY

Alberta announces \$54,000 solar project for Lethbridge

BY BARB GLEN
LETHBRIDGE BUREAU

St. Patrick's day, with its signature colour of green, is an ideal time to make an announcement about greener energy, quipped Lethbridge Mayor Chris Spearman.

He was on hand March 17 to hear Alberta Environment Minister Shannon Phillips announce plans to erect solar panels at the Farm Stewardship Centre, which is a government building.

The centre will install a 15-kilowatt photovoltaic system on the building at a cost of \$54,000.

The money will come from funds generated through the provincial

climate leadership plan.

"The power of the sun is something that we can and should harness," said Phillips.

"It's especially true here in Lethbridge. We have one of the best solar resources on the North American continent here in southern Alberta and it's certainly something that if we take advantage of it, we will reduce our costs and create jobs."

Phillips said the Farm Stewardship Centre, which conducts research on energy efficiency and environmental impacts and stewardship, will become more energy efficient itself with the solar installation "This investment is an example of when the government walks the walk. We end up delivering those benefits to the communities and to the taxpayers and the citizens of this province."

The government has implemented a municipal solar program, an on-farm energy management program and the Alberta indigenous solar program since taking office.

"There will be more to come over the course of this year," Phillips said. "It is part of the government's larger efforts to invest in infrastructure-related projects and programs that will lead to measurable greenhouse gas reductions."



Solar panels like these will become more common fixtures in Alberta as the province expands investment in green energy. | FILE PHOTO



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OPEN LETTER

The Co-op Refinery Complex (CRC) in Regina, which supplies fuel to Co-op members and customers across the West, has been negotiating a new agreement with union employees for more than a year.

Unfortunately, negotiations broke down. Last week, the union rejected CRC's final offer and we're preparing for the possibility of a labour disruption at the Refinery.

We expect that you will hear from the Toronto-based union about this situation, but we want you to hear the facts.

We value producers and are committed to getting fuel to their farms.

Farmers founded the CRC to fuel their farms. We understand that Western Canada's two biggest projects every year are seeding and harvest. We also know that the gasoline and diesel produced at the CRC fuels a significant portion of farm operations. With seeding about to get underway, we're committed to getting producers the fuel needed to put crops in the ground.

We reinvest profits in Co-op communities.

The union will tell you that Federated Co-operatives Limited (FCL), which owns CRC, made a large profit last year. They paint us as a big corporation that's squeezing concessions from its workers to make larger profits.

What the Toronto-based union doesn't tell you is that we're not a publicly traded company sending away dividends to distant shareholders. We're a co-operative based in Saskatchewan. Because we're a co-operative, we share our profits. The majority of the profits from the CRC and FCL's other businesses are returned to the 196 local co-ops across Western Canada that own FCL.

We want a competitive Refinery that provides a return on Co-op members' investments.

Local co-ops pass along much of the money they receive from FCL's profits to their local members through annual equity cheques. Many of you will appreciate this fact because you're members of a local Co-op—along with 1.8 million others in Western Canada—and receive cash back from your farm purchases.

We're committed to getting a deal that helps the CRC stay competitive in the long-term so that it can continue to provide a return on the investments that Co-ops and their members have made.

So no matter what you hear, the fact is that Co-op has always been there to fuel farms and we will be there again this spring. We'll make sure that the Refinery keeps operating so that your local Co-op can supply fuel to producers across the West this spring.

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CEO, Federated Co-operatives Limited

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

Farmers, journalists and academics: a clash of cultures



ED WHITE

Trecently tried to stand like a little bridge connecting two small and unusual subcultures, while straddling a third subculture.

It made me realize how odd journalists and farmers can seem to those who live outside their subcultures, and how difficult it can be for members of each to understand the other.

And I was pleased to see the third

subculture, the university, doing what it could to create a better connection between farmers and journalists, since there is a real danger of those professions and realties falling far out of touch with each other.

Four other journalists and I were brought in to the University of Manitoba's School of Agriculture to speak to agriculture diploma students about how to interact with the media.

It was their Advanced Communications course, and the existence of that class shows that the school understands how important it is for farmers to know how to talk about what they do.

I was brought in to give them my thoughts on how to deal with controversial issues brought to them by urban reporters. For two sessions I conducted mockinterviews in which the soon-to-be-backfarming students got a chance to feel what it might be like to be hit with questions about animal welfare, sustainability, supply management and the role of women in agriculture.

Those are all issues that drag farmers into the spotlight and these young farmer-students are likely to end up leading farm organizations, where they may have to address these sorts of questions.

There are unique elements of farmer and journalism culture that could lead to misunderstandings and I helped them prepare in order to avoid those misunderstandings.

It made me realize how odd it must be for the average person to

pick up the phone and suddenly have a reporter (like me) jabbering into their ear about some allegation, claim or suspicion that has been raised about what they do.

It's partly the nature of the reporter's job (working on deadlines, chasing after just-erupted controversies, needing to have a professional skepticism about everything) and partly the nature of the kind of people drawn to journalism (inveterate skeptics, enemies of vested interests, underdog champions) that I think often makes a lot of us seem aggressive and even hostile when dealing with controversial issues.

I tried to explain how that isn't a sign of bias, but just a professional demeanour that we don't neces-

sarily realize we have. Almost every journalist I have known is honest, open-minded and wants to get the story right, so farmers like these students need to know they can talk to reporters and probably be fairly treated.

However, farmers aren't always comfortable talking to media because of those twin hallmarks of farmer culture: humility and pride.

Farmers generally don't like drawing attention to themselves or their families. That's what I've found in two-and-a-half decades of covering them. They tend to shy away from talking about themselves because of a general "nothing special about me" attitude in many farm communities where nobody wants to be seen as thinking they're a hot shot.

But that might be what an urban reporter needs to understand an agricultural issue. Complex and controversial issues make more sense when they are seen through the lens of a real human situation, and that's what a farmer can provide when reached by a reporter

I urged them to not get offended or defensive if hit with aggressive-seeming questions because whatever the reporter's assumptions are when they call, if they speak honestly with the reporter, they'll probably find the reporter will treat them pretty well.

But that's where the third subculture, the university, comes in, complicating things.

Ifound as I mock-interviewed the students that they continually shied away from talking about their own farms and instead seemed most comfortable discussing the complexities of the issue itself, rather than the ground-level reality in which they live.

That, of course, makes sense if you consider what these students have been doing for two years. At university they haven't been encouraged to be folksy, relaxed and pithy. They have been studying the complexities of agriculture, of farm business management, of regulatory issues.

Using the words "I", "me" or "my" is probably pretty rare in their discussions of farm issues. So they get what you could call "educated person syndrome" and talk in the abstract and general.

That's great at times, but what the reporter probably needs from a farmer is a snapshot of the reality of the issue as it applies to their farming family.

To provide some personal truth might takere-engineering from the abstracting norms of university culture, some getting over the humility of farming culture and patience when facing the aggression of reporter culture, but it's probably the best way to get true farming stories out to the public.



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AG NOTES

POTATO RESEARCH RECEIVES FEDERAL FUNDING

Federal government funds to help expand markets for Canadian potatoes were announced March 15 in Winnipeg.

The agriculture department announced \$274,000 in funds through Growing Forward 2, which will be used to expand foreign and domestic markets for potatoes "through trade shows, targeted advertising, incoming missions, market research and development, and product promotion."

Announcement of the funding was made at the 95th annual meeting of the Canadian Horticulture

According to the news release, the Canadian horticulture sector generates almost \$5 billion in farmgate receipts and \$3.8 billion in exports annually. Potato exports are worth \$1.6 billion annually.

CROPPING ALTERNATIVES DATA UPDATED

The AgriProfits Cropping Alternatives data has been updated for 2017 by Alberta Agriculture.

The crop budgeting tool allows producers to project costs, margins and break-even yields for crops as they begin planning their year.

It uses information from crop specialists, market specialists, input suppliers, and internal and external data sources to put the budgets together.

The data is presented by soil $zones\, and\, within\, each\, zone\, is\, a\, mix$ of cereals, oilseeds, pulses and forage crops.

The crop budgets include a projection of itemized variable costs, as well as a common fixed cost component. The budgets provide producers with a view of new crop prices and contribution margins, which can help determine their crop plan for the year.

Producers should first fill out the individual production costs and returns page included with the publication. This will provide them with a good estimate of the cost and return margins for their farm. They can then compare it with the budgets for the respective soil zones.

RABBIT CODE SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period for the Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Rabbits ends March 31.

Revision of the code began in 2015 by the National Farm Animal Care Council (NFACC) and the Syndicat des producteurs de lapins du Québec, working in partnership with other provincial rabbit groups.

The draft must be viewed and submissions made through the NFACC's website at www.nfacc.ca/ codes-of-practice/rabbits.

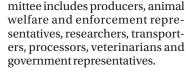
The rabbit code is one of four codes of practice under revision as part of a NFACC project.

The codes provide guidelines for

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proper housing, feed and water, han-

dling, euthanasia, transportand other

animal management practices. The Code Development Com-

MANITOBA EGG FARMERS HAS NEW CHAIR

Harold Froese will again chair Manitoba Egg Farmers, having served in the same role from 1991 to 2000.

Ed Kleinsasser has stepped down as chair, but will remain on the board as director of District 5.

Catherine Kroeker-Klassen is the new vice-chair and is the first woman to assume an executive position on the MEF board.

ALL HANDS ON DECK



Janet Shmorong, left, with the help of her friend, Judy Shantz, try to redirect flooding water into a ditch to save her driveway near Standard, Alta. Temperatures in the mid-teens, combined with high winds, melted snow and caused flooding. | KEVIN LINK PHOTO











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25 YEARS AGO

Canadian grain exports in jeopardy

FROM THE ARCHIVES



BRUCE DYCK

The Western Producer takes a weekly look at some of the stories that made headlines in issues of the paper from 75, 50, 25 and 10 years ago.

75 YEARS AGO: MARCH 26, 1942

Saskatchewan Wheat Pool president J.H. Wesson added his voice to the chorus demanding that the initial wheat price be increased to \$1 a bushel. Wesson said this could be done without cost to the federal treasury.

Canadian National Railways had its most successful financial year in 1941 with a cash surplus of \$4.016 million. Net revenue was \$66.608 million, a \$21 million increase from the previous year.

50 YEARS AGO: MARCH 30, 1967

The basic buying price for a pound of butter increased to 63 cents a pound, while spray processed skim milk powder increased to 20 cents.

J.A. Hoes of the federal research station in Morden, Man., urged farmers to grow only rust-resistant flax varieties. He said it was the only way to control the disease in flax. Rust-resistant flax varieties included Bolley, Noralta, Nor-

land, Raja, Redwood, Redwood 65 and Rocket.

25 YEARS AGO: MARCH 26, 1992

Canadian grain exports to Russia were in jeopardy after the ships senttopickup the grain were found to be infested with Asian gypsy moth eggs. The federal government had banned ships carrying the moth eggs because of concerns that an outbreak could damage Canadian forests and prompt a boycott of west coast ports by international shippers.

Canadian farmers intended to grow a record 36.5 million acres of wheat and 8.1 million acres of canola in 1992, according to Statistics Canada's March seeding intentions report. Summerfallow was expected to fall to 19.4 million acres, the lowest level since 1940.

10 YEARS AGO: MARCH 29, 2007

David Warner, a sound studio builder from California, bought the failed Parkland Strawboard plant in Kamsack, Sask., as part of his plan to build strawboard panels using technology developed by the Alberta Research Council. He had got the idea for the venture while building a studio for the Grateful Dead in San Francisco in the late 1990s.

The Canadian Wheat Board said it might not have any choice but to stop selling barley if the federal government put the crop on the open market. And the wheat board wars raged on.

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INPUT COSTS

U.S. duty, infrastructure plans key to keeping diesel prices down

BY DAVE SIMS

COMMODITY NEWS SERVICE CANADA

WINNIPEG — Sinking prices for crude oil and a softer Canadian dollar have kept diesel prices relatively low for Canadian farmers this year, and they could be heading lower, as long as U.S. President Donald Trump's infrastructure plan doesn't get in the way.

"I would probably say in Canada you're going to see numbers trickle lower here in the next month," said Tom Kloza of the Oil Price Information Service in New Jersey.

As of March 21, diesel prices across the Prairies were about \$1 a litre. Kloza said North America is "sort of scraping bottom" when it comes to prices for oil, gas and diesel.

One reason was the mild winter across much of North America.

However, he said the long-term bias is pointed higher, and a few months from now today's diesel prices in Western Canada may look cheap.

He said farmers will likely be paying more for diesel during harvesting than seeding. But there is much uncertainty in the market.

The Organization of the Petro-

leum Exporting Countries decided late last year to reduce oil production. That lifted crude prices early in 2017, but more recently rising crude stocks in the U.S. pushed crude back below \$50 per barrel.

"The problem with the OPEC cuts is they only run through the first six months of the year, and there are a lot of things in the second six months of the year that might send prices lower," he said.

On the other hand, Trump's pledge to put in place policies that would lead to \$1 trillion of private and public money spent on U.S. infrastructure over 10 years could lead to new fuel demand that would lift diesel prices.

"Money for infrastructure usually enhances demand for diesel."

There is another possibility as well, Kloza said.

"There is a small chance, though, that Mr. Trump and the Republican Congress might try to put through an import duty on everything, including oil prices," he said.

That would have a drastic effect on the market, he added.

"That would raise the price of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel by 35 or 40 cents immediately."



Co-op products were demonstrated at a Saskatchewan Co-operatives Women's Guild course at an unknown location in June 1958. | FILE PHOTO



CARBON POLICY

Input purchases add indirect carbon tax to agricultural sector

Fuel and electricity are essential parts of the business, yet there are no tax benefits for maintaining grasslands or protecting water

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

Alberta farmers are already noticing higher utility bills because of the provincial carbon levy, but the greater impact may be indirect costs.

Alberta is charging \$20 per tonne of combustion emissions with an increase to \$30 per tonne next year.

"The carbon taxis not necessarily going to have a big effect on the agriculture sector just because the number of combustion emissions are relatively low, but there is going to be an impact through indirect emissions that you purchase from other sectors," said Jennifer Winter of the University of Calgary's School of Public Policy, who specializes in energy and environment studies.

She is interested in analyzing those indirect costs from transportation, electricity generation and

suppliers who must pay the levy.

"You are also concerned about the emissions you are importing indirectly by purchasing from other parts of the economy," she said.

Few hard numbers are available, but calculations on potential impacts on consumers from the direct and indirect costs indicate that it will be about \$300 per year.

However, it will be higher for rural households. At \$50 a tonne, the average household would pay about \$550.

The tax is now paid on home heating fuel and gasoline for transportation. Electricity production creates emissions, but the government recently announced the ultimate cost would be capped.

"To really disentangle the effect of the carbon tax, we do need a few years of data with the carbon tax in place to really figure out the impact on emissions," she said.

"The challenge right now is the

financial flow data ends in 2011, so we have to wait to see how the financial flow data has changed as a result of the carbon tax, but with the old data we have, we can make predictions of how the carbon tax will result in changed costs for individual sectors of the economy."

The government has already paid rebates to about a million Albertans and is offering energy efficient incentives to install solar panels and distributing LED light bulbs and low flow showerheads.

Ontario and Quebec have established a cap and trade system, while Alberta and British Columbia have a carbon levy.

Most economists advocate pricing as opposed to a regulatory solution. Government does not need information on what is the least costly way to reduce emissions because the levy encourages behaviourial changes.

Combustion emissions are gen-

erally easy to tax. Other emissions beyond combustion come from agriculture, waste and industrial sources. These are harder to measure and difficult to price.

A carbon tax can be built into the current tax structure so that it is relatively easy to administer.

"I have a preference for a carbon tax over a cap and trade system because there is certainty about prices," she said. "It is a lot more transparent because you know exactly what the tax costs will be imposed on your behaviour."

Canada's agriculture emissions total 72.9 million tonnes, and Alberta's contribution is 22 million tonnes.

"Canada's contribution is 1.6 percent of total global emissions, so we are very small emitter," Winter said.

"If we do something and no one else does, we are penalizing ourselves. We need complementary policies to mitigate the impacts."

In a recent presentation to the Alberta government's economic committee, farm group representatives described the impact of the levy. Many said the industry has already implemented efficiencies. Marked farm fuel is exempt, but it does not make a great impact.

"We don't have much opportunity to make a tractor more fuel efficient. We still have to get those across in the ground. If there is a way to make it more fuel efficient, we probably have taken advantage of it," said Tom Lynch Staunton of Alberta Beef Producers

"For us to do business, we have to use that fuel, and we can't necessarily have an opportunity to make any more fuel efficient measures."

There are fewer ways to pass on

he costs.

Poultry producer Erna Ference, representing the supply-managed groups, said most farms have already taken steps to install efficient heating systems.

"The fuel tax exemption doesn't help our industry to the degree it does for the cattle feeders or the grains and oilseeds who use a lot of fuel," she said. "We are intensive natural gas users and we are efficient."

B.C. has offered incentives to agriculture, and Alberta provided an exemption to greenhouse growers.

"It was really discouraging when the government gave an exemption to greenhouses and not to our industry," Ference said.

"It makes us uncompetitive."

The tax is meant to change behaviour, but there are few ways for agriculture to take advantage of its contributions to lowering emissions or protecting the environment.

"Most eco-goods and services are not recognized in any marketplace," said James Hargrave of the Alberta Grazing Leaseholders Association. "There are no incentives for maintaining grasslands in their natural state. There are only incentives for change of practice."

Protecting water, habitat and grasslands and offering recreation need to be recognized as a byproduct of the agriculture industry.

"This represents an untapped opportunity to diversify our revenue streams," he said.

"It would level the playing field with other land uses such as rural residential, perennial cropping and intensive cropping."

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Alta. RMs want tax exemption

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH

CARBON POLICY

EDMONTON — Alberta rural municipalities want an exemption from the provincial carbon levy.

"We don't believe that municipalities should have to pay the carbon levy," said Al Kemmere, president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

"It is a provincial levy we have to pay and pass on the extra costs to ratepayers."

Ifit was rebated, the money could be returned to support badly needed municipal projects.

Municipalities suggested a carbon exemption for providing public services such as roads and buildings and want assurances that there won't be a tax on a tax when the national levy is imposed next year.

Delegates to the association's March 21 spring meeting in Edmonton also passed a resolution asking the province for an exemption for all food production. Farmers do not have to pay tax on marked fuel, and greenhouses were granted an exemption on natural gas. No other exemptions are available.

At this juncture, the provincial approach is to deliver programs to improve energy efficiency. How-

ever, projects that may work well in urban settings do not transfer to rural communities.

"Our rural residents don't have access to some of the things that towns and cities have," Kemmere said in an interview.

"Even access to a taxi or public transit. We can't put in public transit to the same effectiveness you have in the city."

Residents of remote rural municipalities need to drive to schools, doctors or recreational activities, which could easily be an hour away.

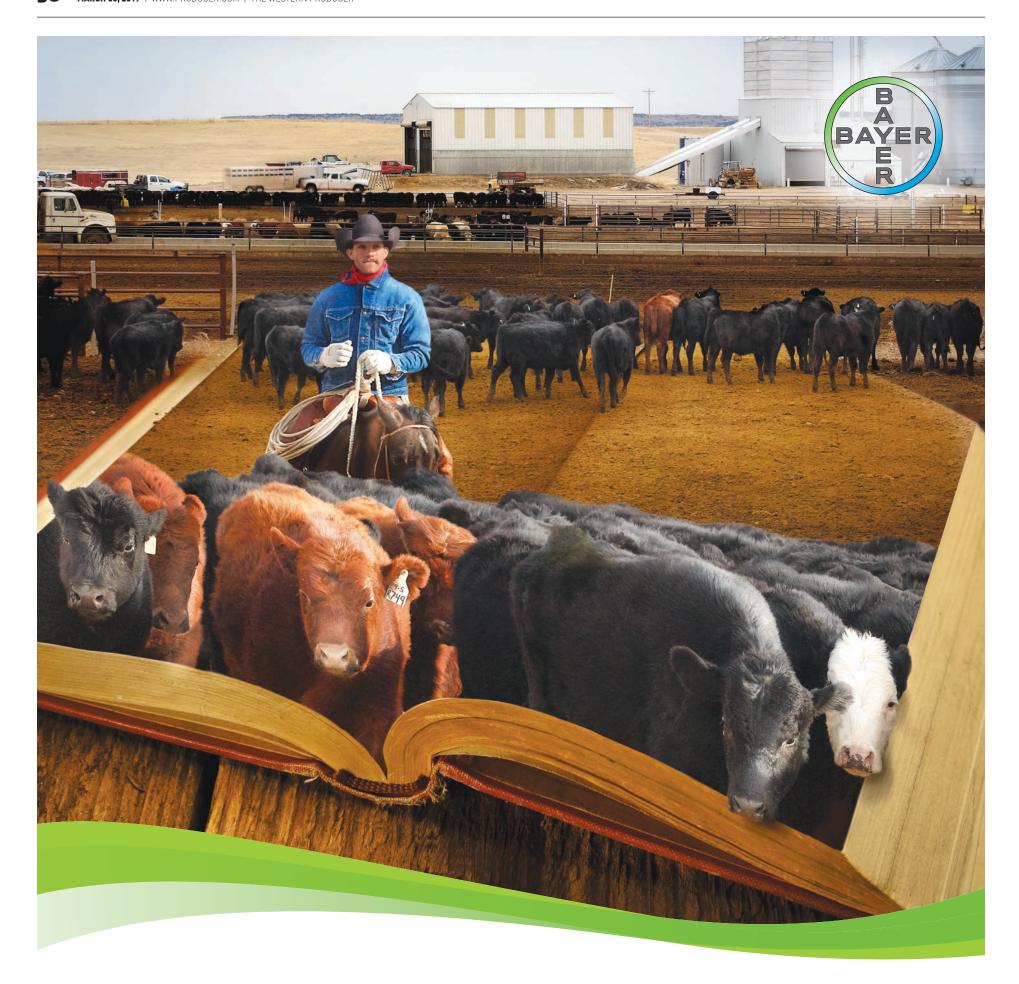
"We don't have the same opportunities to build efficiencies in the same way cities do," he said.

A municipal carbon levy committee is looking at the impacts of the tax on rural municipalities, transition programs for closing coal fired electricity plants and effects on residents. A report should be coming at the end of August, he said.

Prices are starting to increase, and organizations are concerned the federal levy next year could add to the tax burden.

"We have to realize the carbon levy program is not just a provincial levy program," he said. "Our federal government has also said, 'thou shalt have a carbon levy.'"

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TUBERCULOSIS TESTING

More cattle released from quarantine

BY BARB GLEN

About 20 premises involved in the southern Alberta and southern Saskatchewan bovine tuberculosis investigation have been released from quarantine and another 53 remain under quarantine pending test results.

Those are the latest numbers provided by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, which started the investigation last fall and has since organized the destruction of about 10,500 cattle.

Six animals have tested positive for tuberculosis, and those were discovered in the early days of testing. All had the same strain of the illness.

Karin Schmid, beef production specialist with Alberta Beef Producers, said last week that testing remains to be done on a few herds but that has been postponed because of calving season.

Testing of the trace-in herds, from producers who sold cattle to the infected premises within the last five years, will continue in the fall, said Schmid.

Producers affected by the quarantine who have had herds released are concerned that their cattle will be viewed differently at sale and discounted.

Schmid said that hasn't been the case so far.

"There's a big fear about that discrimination. All we can do is hope that people take the time to understand. Cattle from these herds, they've all been tested. They're probably the safest ones in the country."

ABP and the Canadian Cattlemen's Association have been noting the safety of released herds in their recent newsletters.

"An important takeaway for the beef sector is that cattle eligible for a full release from quarantine carry no higher risk than other animals in Canada, and quite possibly a lower risk given that the whole herd has been tested, and any reactor animals removed," the CCA said in its recent newsletter.

"A full release from quarantine is in effect a clean bill of health with regard to bTB (bovine tuberculosic)"

Cattle from premises released from quarantine can be sold, moved or mingled with other cattle, as owners see fit, although the standard record keeping is expected.

About 7,500 animals had been released from quarantine as of March 14, the most recent number posted by the CFIA.

"These guys have been through enough," said Schmid about producers who were part of the investigation. "Let's not punish them more"

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EARLY BRANDING



Cows and new calves born in January are led into corrals to be sorted at the MacMillan Colony near Cayley, Alta. Colony members, along with friends and neighbours, branded 320 calves on the first day of spring. | MIKE STURK PHOTO

ANIMAL WELFARE

Giving animals rewarding life

Understanding an animal's needs can help producers provide a healthy, positive environment

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

LEDUC, Alta. — Life improved for many farm animals when scientists got involved.

More knowledge about nutrition, health care and behaviour has resulted in positive outcomes for livestock, said animal welfare researcher David Mellor of Massey University in New Zealand.

Science-based animal care began with problem solving rather than relying on tradition and opinions about good husbandry, he said at Alberta Farm Animal Care's annual meeting in Leduc

When he studied for his PhD in Edinburgh in 1967, researchers were still trying to define nutrition and mineral requirements during the animal's life cycle.

"The outcome has been much improved nutritional management, and they are beneficiaries of that," he said.

New ways to improve animals' physical environment are better understood than in the past.

In the area of health care, at least 70 vaccines have been developed for animals and are used widely to prevent or minimize serious disease. Antibiotics and dewormers are also available to improve an animal's lot in life.

The importance of hygiene was recognized, and relief for painful procedures is coming with large

advances in surgical techniques.

The original treatise for improving animal welfare was the five freedoms:

- freedom from hunger and thirst
- freedom from discomfort
 freedom from pain, injury or disease
- freedom to express normal behaviour
- freedom from fear and distress At the same time, provisions were added to explain how these

requirements could be reached. "It was a really good first attempt and it generated so many good outcomes," Mellor said.



DAVID MELLOR PROFESSOR

"It identified five targets for welfare improvement with the freedoms and it detailed practical ways to meet these targets."

However, the concept became more dogmatic over time, and the provisions were lost along the way. The modern approach mini-

mizes negative experiences.
"If we allow animals to engage in

positive behaviour or things they find rewarding, it enables animals to engage in rewarding behaviours that are voluntarily, self motivated and goal directed behaviour and gives animals a sense of control, which we know is important to them," he said.

Positive experiences such as interest, confidence, affection, bonding with their young and each other, protection, safety, playfulness and sexual gratification are needed.

"We know animals enjoy sex that is unrelated to procreation."

Mellor was involved in the creation of the five domains, an assessment of animal welfare first published in 1994.

It started as a way to assess animals' welfare but can be applied on a broader scale.

It is not a definition of welfare but can be used to grade external and internal sensations.

Nutrition, environment, health, behaviour and the mental component are considered to assess the overall welfare status of the animal in different circumstances.

Positive experiences such as nutrition include the sensation of enjoying drinking and eating. Pleasant tastes, textures and smells from a variety of feed are positive elements.

Environment is connected to comfort, correct temperatures and variety of scenery. They have shelter or protection from exposure.

They do not have to live in a constant temperature, and they prefer different lighting intensities.

"Animals prefer to have a variety of those things, and when variety is there, they utilize it by seeking different parts of the environment out as opposed to the environment they were in," he said.

Health means vitality of physical fitness and functioning without injury or disease. If animals are sick or injured, they are treated appropriately.

The mental state includes expressing normal behaviour along with feelings of being in control, being safe and having the capacity to exercise choices.

There is always overlap among the domains of animal welfare.

On a practical side, it is possible to objectively grade animal welfare using this approach by observing their behaviour. For example, layer hens like perches, scratch pads and dust baths.

"When they are provided, we know the birds are using them,."

Understanding of animal welfare has changed how negative experiences are dealt with and how positive things can be introduced to their lives.

They may be offered a variety of different feeds or changing environments in a barn.

"It will take time to work out how to do it," he said.

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ANIMAL HEALTH

FMD emergency response study needed: consultant

If Canada had an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease, a plan is needed to handle issues around quarantine, depopulation and vaccinations

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH

OTTAWA — The fear of a footand-mouth disease outbreak lingers in Canada.

"It will hit us hard if and when we have a major outbreak," said Matt Taylor, a private consultant commissioned to evaluate the potential impact of the disease for the Alberta Cattle Feeders Association

"Outbreaks do happen even in countries that are free of FMD," he said at an animal health committee meeting at the Canadian Cattlemen's Association annual meeting in Ottawa March 7-10.

The disease could directly affect sheep, hogs and cattle. It requires quarantines and orders to stop movement of animals, but it could take the Canadian Food Inspection Agency five to seven days to enforce that.

By that point, the disease could be moving faster than authorities' ability to contain it.

Taylor's study identified footand-mouth disease as the Canadian industry's greatest vulnerability and found key gaps in emergency planning.

A study is needed to identify gaps and develop plans to manage the livestock sector for 12 to 18 months if such a disaster strikes, he said.

High density areas like feedlot alley in southern Alberta, the

Fraser Valley dairy region in British Columbia and the isowean barns in Manitoba's hog sector could be devastated.

The industry would have to decide how to handle vaccination or how mass depopulation would happen. He questioned how a feedlot with 15,000 to 20,000 head would be destroyed and how the cattle would be valued for compensation.



For us to work in a vacuum and not know what they have planned is a concern.

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CFIA has plans and Agriculture Canada is starting to develop a framework for such an emergency. Industry also has to have

its own plan because it owns the

animals. All involved would need to be in constant communication.

"For us to work in a vacuum and not know what they have planned is a concern," said Pat Hayes, chair of the animal health committee.

A Canadian Animal Health Coalition study from 2002 looked at this country's vulnerability in the beef, dairy and pork sectors.

Costs could span from \$13 billion to \$50 billion in disease control and impacts to the primary and processing sectors. Additional losses would be incurred in the tourism industry and lost trade opportunities.

In 2003, Canada discovered its first case of BSE, which closed borders to trade and devastated the cattle industry with long-term impacts.

A University of Lethbridge study estimated losses to the Canadian industry between May 2003 and May 2005 were about \$4 billion.

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COSTS RELATING TO AN OUTBREAK OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH COULD TOP

\$50 billion

GRASSLAND PRESERVATION

Manitoba cattle industry seeks carbon tax exemption for its role in sequestration

BY ED WHITE WINNIPEG BUREAU

Manitoba's cattle producers are warning its provincial government not to jeopardize the province's environment by imposing carbon taxes on grass preservers.

Manitoba Beef Producers says that cattle grazers are key to retaining Manitoba's vulnerable pastures and grasslands, so they should be exempt from any direct carbon cost imposed within the

"If you don't have a good, solid and vibrant, economically viable cattle industry, you lose all the grasslands, you lose all the pasture and you lose all the opportunity to look at those as credits in terms of sequestration," general manager Brian Lemon said in a call with reporters.

"We would argue that if the province is going to make its commitment, it needs a very strong and vibrant cattle industry, and it needs to grow and make available more pastures and more grasslands"

The cattle producers have issued a policy paper calling for the Manitoba government to:

- exempt cattle producers from direct carbon taxes or pricing
- take money raised from carbon taxes in other areas to research, innovate and build systems that will reduce the cattle industry's carbon emissions and boost the ability of pastures and grasslands to store carbon
- provide farmers with incentives to protect ecologically sensitive land

There is heavy pressure on Premier Brian Pallister's Progressive Conservative government to develop a provincial carbon pricing program in order to avoid a federal Liberal government imposed system.

Pallister has repeatedly called for a "made in Manitoba" solution, but its outlines have not yet been formulated.

Pallister has been sensitive to farmer concerns in many areas since taking power a year ago, but providing a complete carbon tax exemption for farmers and agriculture might be difficult.

Agriculture is a small part of the economy in populous provinces such as Ontario and Quebec, but it is a huge element in sparsely-populated Manitoba.

One-third of Manitoba's carbon emissions come from agriculture.

Lemon acknowledged that the importance of agriculture to the economy makes it challenging for the government to provide a special exemption for cattle produc-

"Had we been a very small piece of the pie, the options available to the province would be certainly, I'm sure, a lot different," said Lemon.

"If we don't get that exemption, there is going to be a piling on where we will be paying the carbon on all of our inputs, we will be paying the carbon on all of our production and we will be stuck in the middle with no ability to actually pass any of those costs on."

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RARE OCCURRENCE



Gord Sanders of Vanscoy, Sask., had the rarity of a two-headed calf born in mid-March. Delivered by caesarian, the calf also had back and hind leg deformation and some of its organs outside the body. Such anomalies are fortunately uncommon, said Dr. Roy Lewis, a veterinarian formerly with a large central-Alberta practice. "In my 30 plus years at practice, our large clinic in Westlock delivered about four two-headed calves," said Lewis. Such genetic disorders are simply a fluke of nature, are not hereditary and the cow often goes on to have normal calves, he said. | GORD SANDERS PHOTO

ALBERTA FARM ANIMAL CARE

Awards recognize animal welfare efforts

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

LEDUC, Alta. — Innovation and efforts to improve lives for farm animals were recognized at the Alberta Farm Animal Care annual meeting.

The award of distinction for communication was presented to Alberta Beef Quality Starts Here, the non-profit organization that delivers the Verified Beef Production program. VBP is part of a national network established 14 years ago to train beef producers about animal care, biosecurity, food safety and stewardship to build consumer confidence.

"Many consumers are quite removed from primary agriculture and often lack an understanding of basic production practices and especially why and how we do them," said Melissa Downing, provincial Alberta co-ordinator.

The industry leadership award recognized Jackie Wepruk, head of the National Farm Animal Care Council, which has developed and updated farm animal codes of practice, and speaks on animal welfare issues. Animal Care Assessment Programs are also part of the mandate

Wepruk began her career in ani-

mal welfare with AFAC and helped form NFACC. She admits she did not know much about farm animals but learned the importance of communication with various interest groups.

"It instilled in me the importance of listening to everyone's stories and understanding where perceptions are coming from," she said.

"This is a really exciting time to be involved in farm animal welfare." Researcher Dr. Merle Olson of Calgary received the innovation

A chemist and veterinarian, he has published 210 scientific papers and has 47 registered patents around the world. He left the University of Calgary to form Alberta Veterinary Laboratories where more than 30 animal health products for pain relief, parasite control and other veterinary treatments for multiple species are manufactured

"The work was based on the ranchers coming to me and saying we have to have a product for pain control for castration for cattle," he said.

and sold.

"My dream is every animal will receive pain control when it needs it," he said.

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Cole and Jill Harvie of Olds are pictured with their world champion cow-calf pair at Farmfair International. The cow was recently named Miss Hereford World at the Fort Worth Stock Show. | BARBARA DUCKWORTH PHOTO

TEXAS STOCK SHOW

Alberta cow nabs Miss World

Harvie Ranching nets \$5,000 with its champion Hereford

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

An Alberta ranch has entered the realm of world class cattle breeding.

Harvie Ranching at Olds recently won the Hereford Miss World Competition in Fort Worth, Texas, with a female named RVP 51X Ablaze 7A and its heifer calf, Harvie RSK Autumn.

Breeders from around the world submitted pictures of their prize cattle, and after a series of regional judging and final assessments at the Fort Worth Stock Show, Harvie Ranching won the top honour, which included \$5,000 in prize money.

This female has become the Harvies' super cow and is owned in partnership with RSK Farms of Manitoba.

This cow was undefeated in its show career. It won national champion female at Canadian Western Agribition and grand champion at FarmFair International, Hereford Bonanza and the Hereford Breeder World Championship.

The cow, which resides at the ranch near Olds, produced a heifer calf this spring and is entering a flush program to collect embryos, said Jill Harvie.

She and her husband, Cole, have been judging cattle in Europe and

were able to make business connections during these trips that included offering genetics from this cow. Buyers from Denmark and the United Kingdom bid for the right to flush at an international sale.

"It helps us all connect globally," she said.

The concept of the world competition came from P.J. Budler, who has judged cattle all over the world. Originally from South Africa, he moved to Fort Worth and established the Champion of the World event, which has expanded to 11 breeds.

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NATIONAL TRACEABILITY

CFIA wants traceability gaps filled with better info on livestock movement

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

OTTAWA — Amendments to Canada's livestock traceability regulations are expected later this year.

In the event of an animal disease outbreak, investigators need more information about animal movement, as well as the exact location of livestock beyond the owner's name and address, said Elizabeth Corrigan of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

Current gaps in the system are among the changes needed, she said at the recent Canadian Cattlemen's Association annual meeting in Ottawa

The Health of Animals regulation amendments are expected to be published in late 2017 with a 75 day comment period.

Mandatory animal identification, traceability and improved record

keeping requirements on the movement of cattle, bison, sheep, goat, and cervid species are needed, according to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency website.

Current information reveals where the animal was born and where it was slaughtered but often there is no data in between, said Corrigan.

"We have to address the gaps," said Mark Elford, chair of the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency.

Based in Calgary, the agency administers traceability data for cattle, bison and sheep.

The identification agency agrees more movement information is needed and this could be partly addressed with a national manifest. These travel documents are common in the West, but are not used in other provinces.

Additional information requirements are likely to increase the workload at the agency. It may

encourage producers to tag their animals and apply for premise identification numbers.

"The regulations will bring a tremendous amount of change to CCIA in our workload and what will be expected of us," said Anne Brunet-Burgess, manager of the agen-

No additional revenue is coming in. Funds are collected from the sale of tags but that amounts to a few cents per tag sold.

In many countries, government helps pay for the animal traceability system, said Elford.

Quebec has its own traceability system and handles identification as well as animal movement reports, which can be recorded on paper or by phone call.

The CCIA predicts its workload would increase tenfold with the new requirements.

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PREMISES IDENTIFICATION

B.C. offers traceability funding

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

OTTAWA — The British Columbia government is offering up to \$3,500 to help livestock producers buy equipment to improve traceability.

The Livestock Tag Reader Rebate program covers up to 70 percent of the costs of readers and the necessary software to scan cattle, pork, sheep, goat and venison tags. Applicants must be B.C. residents and have registered in the B.C. Premises Identification Program.

The program targets smaller operations. Larger ranches can get funding through the ministry's On-Farm Food Safety and Traceability Program.

"Ithinkthis is a good program and

a good opportunity to try and bring people in to doing a little more of the traceability on their own place," said Kevin Boone, manager of the B.C. Cattlemen's Association.

"It will move things forward on a traceability file and also helps with herd management on farm where they are more apt to keep records," he said.

In instances of a disease outbreak, records should be more readily available if they chose to use it the system. It can also be used to manage records on the farm.

"If producers can find a use for it at home then there is a better opportunity for uptake. This is a good step," he said.

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Shannon oversees all operations globally for Fast Genetics, which is an international swine genetics business based in Saskatoon, SK. He is responsible for overseeing operations, sales and marketing, finance, human resources, and research and development.

"The professional agrologist (PAg) designation adds to the credibility of work, and gives a valuable network to lean on."

Shannon was raised on a mixed farm at Melfort, SK. He graduated with a BSA and MSc from the University of Saskatchewan. He previously worked with an animal health business before joining Fast Genetics in 2003.

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CATTLE

Vaccines, biosecurity offer easy ways to combat IBR virus



JOHN CAMPBELL, DVM, DVSC

Infectious bovine rhinotracheitis is of major importance to cattle populations throughout the world.

IBR infections are responsible for a number of different disease syndromes including respiratory disease, eye infections and abortion.

The virus that causes IBR is found

only in cattle but it is from the herpes virus family, which is the same virus family as the viruses that cause chicken pox and shingles in people. These diseases all share the ability to have latent infections. The virus can remain in the tissues of the body without causing clinical signs and be reactivated after stress.

Cattle can become latent carriers of the virus and although they appear normal, if they are introduced into a population of animals that are unvaccinated, they may spread this highly contagious disease throughout the herd.

IBR virus infections can cause inflammation and damage to the upper respiratory tract of cattle and

impair normal defence mechanisms of the upper respiratory tract and trachea.

As a result, these viral infections often become complicated by severe bacterial pneumonias.

The use of antibiotics might help treat the secondary bacterial infection, but has no impact on the original IBR infection because it is viral.

IBR outbreaks in feedlot cattle are difficult to treat and can cause severe mortality in affected pens.

Another clinical syndrome caused by IBR virus is also devastating and difficult to treat. IBR virus in pregnant cows can cause a late-term abortion, usually after seven months gestation.

The virus infects the cow's respiratory tract initially and then circulates in the blood stream, passing through the placenta into the fetus. The fetal infection eventually kills and expels the fetus, which may occur weeks or up to three months after the cow was originally infected. Abortion rates of five to 60 percent have been reported in IBR outbreaks.

It is especially disheartening because it is an abortion outbreak that was easily preventable.

IBR still remains one of the most commonly diagnosed causes of abortion in cattle in North America.

Fortunately, we can prevent IBR through the use of biosecurity (avoiding introductions to the

herd) and through vaccination programs.

Vaccines provide immunity to the dam and protect the fetus. A recent paper in the latest edition of the journal *Preventive Veterinary Medicine* summarized all of the past scientific studies on IBR virus to evaluate how well the vaccines worked to prevent abortion.

This particular type of metaanalysis study is commonly used in human and veterinary medicine to determine how well a particular treatment or vaccine works by summarizing all the clinical trials that have been carried out and combining the results.

The researchers from the University of Auburn used a large database of 1,724 articles about IBR virus in cattle, but after removing studies that did not address the vaccine question or studies that were poorly designed, they were left with 15 studies on IBR vaccines that evaluated the effect of the vaccine on preventing abortion.

These 15 studies used a combined total of more than 7,500 animals. It would be difficult to find funding to do one clinical trial of this size, so the 15 smaller studies are combined in this meta-analysis to come up with a more definitive answer.

The authors of the study concluded that there was a significant decrease in abortion risk in vaccinated cattle with 60 percent fewer abortions in vaccinated cattle than in unvaccinated cattle.

Some of these studies were challenge studies, in which cattle were infected by researchers with the IBR virus and some of the trials were field trials, where the researchers would rely on natural exposure to IBR virus. In both cases, the vaccines showed a significant reduction in abortion risk. Both modified live vaccines and killed vaccines were shown to decrease the abortion risk.

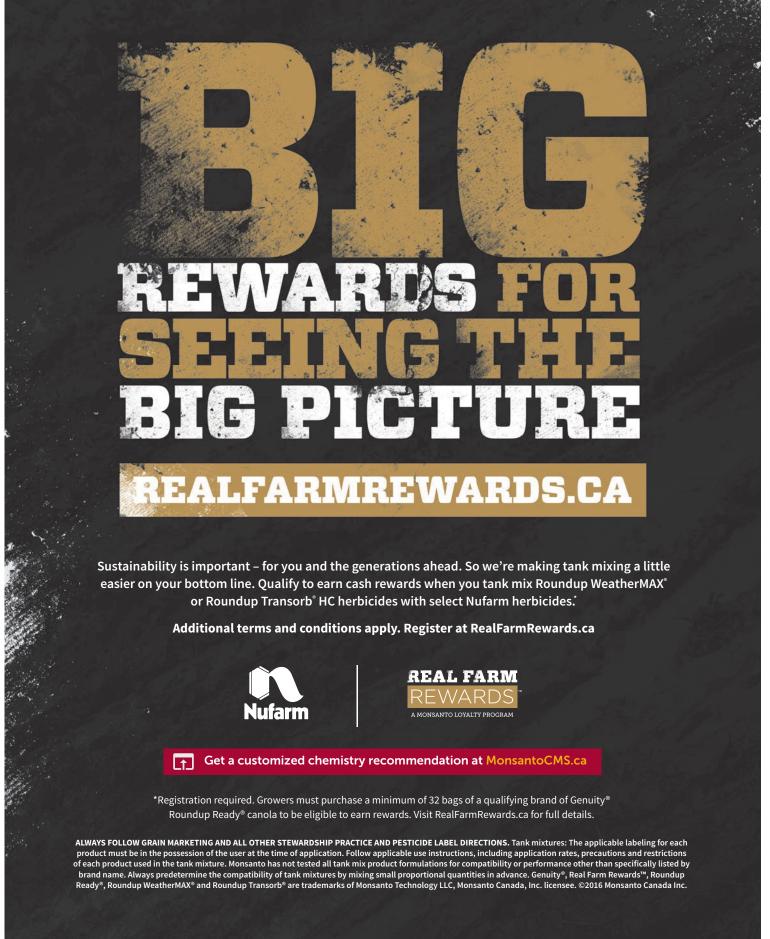
IBR vaccines are an important component of our herd health programs in cow-calf herds, dairy cows and feedlot cattle. IBR virus is an extremely common virus in cattle populations and if a latent carrier is introduced into an unprotected herd, it can have devastating consequences.

Although the study results do not show that the vaccines provide 100 percent protection to the fetus, our anecdotal evidence suggests that we rarely see outbreaks of IBR infections in well-vaccinated berds

It should be noted that modified live IBR vaccines can cause abortion when administered to pregnant cows and are often given prebreeding.

However, several modified live vaccines can be given to pregnant cows if the cow had been previously vaccinated with the same vaccine in the previous year.

Producers should consult a veterinarian to establish what vaccination program would work best in their circumstances and make sure that label instructions are followed, especially when considering using modified live IBR vaccines in pregnant cows.



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Studies have shown that most cows stay in the herd from three to nine years. | MIKE STURK PHOTO

WHEN TO CULL

Culling a careful consideration of cost

Online calculator can help producers determine how long a cow should stay in the herd to recoup replacement costs

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

Several factors come into play when deciding to cull a cow from a herd.

She may be old, open or mean, but economics are important.

Kathy Larson, an economist at the Western Beef Development Centre, says the costs of developing replacement females should be considered.

Culling cows too soon can represent a missed economic opportunity.

The WBDC offers a calculator for producers to determine exactly what a female costs and howlongit has to stay in the herd to recoup those costs.

Larson calculated the cost of a 2015-born replacement, from weaned calfto confirmed pregnant and using the numbers from the WBDC, at \$1,970.

A replacement born in 2014 was significantly more expensive, given where calf prices were then.

Larson uses another calculator to show how many calves that female would have to produce to earn its money back, based on different calf prices.

The 2015 female would need to have at least seven calves if they sold for \$1.90 per pound at 550 lb. However, if calf prices were higher, say \$2.50, it would need to produce only four of them to recoup its costs.

If that same female had been bought for \$3,500, it would need to produce



12 calves at \$1.90 and six at \$2.50.

"The number of calves this 2015born female needs to wean in order to recoup that investment will depend on the producer's cost of production and calf prices," Larson said.

"Ideally, a producer needs to keep his females until they recoup that development cost, or purchase price if (the) producer buys bred heifers."

Studies have shown that most cows stay in herds from three to nine years.

The most common reason producers give for culling a cow is age, but a North Dakota study found that coming up open was actually

the top reason.

The study in the mid-1990s found that age was the second reason, followed by selling the cow as a replacement and then culling it for physical defects or inferior calves.

Alater study from the U.S. Department of Agriculture found that more than half of producers said they culled for age or bad teeth (56 percent) and then open status at 42 percent. Temperament was a factor in 17 percent of cases, reproductive problems in 13 percent, economics such as herd reduction due to drought 11 percent, and poor calves 11 percent. Poor body condition, poor udders and bad eyes

were other reasons.

A large-scale western Canadian study in the early 2000s that included more than 30,000 females in more than 200 herds found similar results.

"Culling practices by producers in this region are consistent with previously published recommendations that, accounting for pregnancy status, body condition score and replacement costs, the optimal age for culling is seven to eight years of age," said the study published in the Canadian Veterinary Journal.

In 2011, Dan Childs, senior agricultural economist at the Samuel

Noble Foundation, an independent U.S. research organization, suggested culling in the following order: disposition, open, structural soundness, age, bred cows more than nine years old, replacement heifers, phenotype and bred cows between three and nine years of age.

He said the first four factors are easier to assess, but after culling for age it becomes more difficult because producers are looking at their productive animals.

"Typically a cow is most productive between the ages of four and nine," he wrote on the foundation's website.

Bred cows that are older than nine are nearing the end of their productive lives. Cull the thin ones first, he advised.

Yearling heifers not exposed to a bull have good value as feeders, and bred heifers also have value as replacements.

Culling for phenotype allows a producer to make a herd more uniform. Breed, size and low productivity come into play here.

Finally, culling bred cows between three and nine is the most difficult because these are the most productive cows.

"If you must cull out of this group, three year olds and those cows that are eight to nine would go first," Childs wrote.

The WBDC calculators can be found at wbdc.sk.ca.

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CULLING

Herd efficiency begins with pregnancies

Several factors affect heifer fertility, including genetics, body weight and age, nutritional management and temperament

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Failing to get pregnant during the breeding season is the top reason cows are removed from a herd.

Longevity in the herd starts with heifers that were developed into reproductive animals over the long haul, said Cliff Lamb of the University of Florida.

"Heifers that become pregnant early in first breeding season will remain in the herd longer and are more productive," he said during an education session at the recent National Cattlemen's Beef Association convention in Nashville.

"Pregnancy has four times greater economic impact on an operation than any other production trait," he said.

Heifers are expected to calve at two years of age, calve without assistance and rebreed in a timely fashion. Only about 30 percent of them stay around long enough to give birth to a third calf.

Several factors affect fertility in heifers:

- Genetics: Some breeds are slower to reach puberty. British breeds tend to reach puberty earlier.
- Body weight and age: Replacement heifers should reach 65 to 75 percent of their mature weight by the time they are bred at 14 to



A researcher at the University of Florida says heifers that become pregnant early in the first breeding season will remain in the herd longer and are more productive. \mid FILE PHOTO

15 months of age. They should gain an average of 1.25 to 1.75 pounds per day from weaning to breeding. For most breeds and crossbreds, they should weigh 650 to 850 lb. at breeding time.

Nutritional management:
 Grain-based versus forage-based diet for heifer development may depend on the individual production system. The last three months before breeding are the most critical for nutri-

tion. It is important to make sure heifers do not get too fat.

Pasture raised animals have a different environment and are healthier over the long term. However, pastures are not always at a perfect stage when breeding season approaches.

Animal handling and temperament: Remove animals with disposition problems. Crazy animals affect the behaviour of the entire herd, said Lamb.

TIMELINE OF EARLY BOVINE EMBRYO DEVELOPMENT

Event	days
Estrus	0
Ovulation and fertilization	Probably 95-100 percent were fertilized
First cell division	2 days
Eight cell stage	3 days
Migration to uterus	5-6 days
Blastocyst stage	7-8 days — About 20 percent of pregnancies lost at this stage
Hatching	9-11 days
Maternal recognition	15-17 days — If the embryo does not signal its presence, the cow comes back into heat and pregnancy is lost
Attachment	19 days
Formation of placenta	25 days — 65-75 percent still pregnant
Definitive attachment	42 days — Egg is in uterus and becomes an embryo
Birth	285 days

The effect of handling on performance and puberty has been studied and showed cattle that were handled more often became calmer. They attained puberty sooner and got pregnant sooner than the animals left on their own. Low-stress handling helps improve pregnancy rates.

Selecting heifers

Heifers should become pregnant

within the first 25 days of the breeding season. If the calving season is tightened up, the resulting cattle are more uniform and have more value in the marketplace.

Too many heifers are selected because they are pretty, said Lamb.

"More often than not, the animal that we define as the best animal for whatever reasons never makes it to the top 25 percent. But how

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Bull breeding soundness is important to verify, whether you are purchasing a new bull(s) or using your herdsire(s) for another year.

A Bull Breeding Soundness Exam (BBSE) done by a veterinarian includes a health exam, body condition scoring, reproductive exam and semen evaluation (motility and morphology). A BBSE can also include Trichomoniasis testing (a transmissible disease) and Johne's testing, depending on the risk in your individual situation.

All bulls are subject to the possibility of injuries or scrotal frostbite. Lower than acceptable semen quality can occur for any number of reasons, and can have a significant impact on breeding success even if the bull shows good breeding drive. A yearly BBSE should be completed early enough in the year that, if a bull is found to be unsuitable, a producer has time to find a different bull.

Appropriate nutrition for bulls is extremely important. Bulls in optimal body condition will be more successful as breeders and more likely to stay in the herd for longer periods of time. Consult your veterinarian or nutritionist to assist with bull specific recommendations for feeding.

Ask your veterinarian to assist in developing a health management plan for all animals in the herd, including bulls. Vaccination improves immunity against foot rot. It's also key for protecting against pinkeye, which can be of particular concern when it comes to bulls.

Bulls represent a large part of the reproductive success of your herd. While insurance policies covering bulls are widely available, producers generally are far better off preventing bull problems before they arise. Proactively managing bull health and disease prevention along with routine breeding soundness exams will give you greater peace of mind, and your bulls will be ready to breed successfully when you need them.





FEEDING STRATEGIES

Keep an eye on body condition score

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH Calgary bureau

Body condition scoring is the practice of assessing the amount of fat cover on a cow's body.

Condition scoring assesses the layer of fat over short ribs, spine, either side of the tail head, as well as hooks and pins. Assessing them by appearance can be deceiving, especially if the animals have a heavy hair coat, said beef specialist Barry Yaremcio of Alberta Agriculture.

"By the time you see the short ribs by eye, those cows are down 200 to 350 pounds, a condition score down," he said.

If cows end up thin at the end of a hard winter, it could affect their ability to get pregnant again and their ability to produce adequate colostrum and milk for the newborn calves, said Yaremcio.

"It might take two or three months for them to gain that amount of weight back and they can't do it after calving," he said.

The cowis eating for two by trying to maintain weight and feed a calf. Peak milk lactation occurs eight weeks after calving.

"Colostrum starts to be formed four to five weeks before calving. They need the body condition score to allow them to use the energy and nutrients that are needed to provide a high quality, high volume colostrum the calf needs," he said.

After calving, maximum feed intake takes place 12 weeks later.

If the cow is not getting sufficient quantity and quality of feed, it burns its own fat to keep alive, which slows down milk production and inhibits rebreeding.

The cows take longer to start cycling again and first service conception rates could be down 20 to 25 percent depending on severity of weight loss.

Calving later in the spring has advantages because the cows are able to eat green grass, but that may not be enough to get back in shape.

"Higher quality grass, more protein and soluble sugars may help them gain more weight, but if they have dropped any amount of weight after calving and before the bull is put in, their reproductive efficiency drops like a stone," he said.

Thin heifers also struggle. They are still growing and they use some of the energy that should go to the calf to take care of themselves.

Thin heifers have calving difficulties where 60 percent of the calves may need to be pulled. These young females often do not have the energy or muscle tone to push a calf out.

The Canadian body condition score system uses a one to five system. The optimum score is three.

Cows can be checked during the fall pregnancy exam or start of the winter feeding program.

At calving, the optimum score for

At calving, the optimum score for mature cows is 2.5; optimum score for first-calf heifers is three.

About 30 days before the start of the breeding season the cow should be 2.5.

"If you find your cows are a little thin going into the fall after a dry summer, calves can be weaned at 130 to 140 days without problem," he said.

This gives the cows a couple months to gain weight to go into winter with a body condition score of three versus two.

Going into winter, cows should score about three so they have enough fat cover for insulation. They will require less energy so they eat less.

Thin cows should be pulled and put in with the growing heifers or feeder calves so they get more rations to help them gain weight overwinter.

"Don't leave them out there with the rest of the herd. You have got to treat them differently and get them back into shape before calving comes along," Yaremcio said.

Over fat cows are not good.

"That will also reduce their ability to have a calf because they get cystic ovaries and they don't come into heat," he said.

According to Alberta Agriculture calculations, a cow needs about 1,900 Mcal of digestible energy to move up one condition score. This is the equivalent of more than 1,200 lb. of barley grain or almost a tonne of average quality hay.

Besides adequate feed, cows require trace minerals because the forages and feeds grown in Western Canada are typically short of copper, manganese, zinc and selenium.

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BEEF COW BODY CONDITIONING SCORES

Body condition scoring is an easy and practical method of assessing the nutritional status of cows. The U.S. uses a nine-point system.

nutritional status of cows. The U.S. uses a nine-point system.					
(1) Canada = (1) U.S	Emaciated , starving and weak; the entire body is extremely thin, and all skeletal structures are prominently visible. No muscle tissue is evident and no external fat is present. The hair coat appears dull. Survival during stress is doubtful.				
(1.5) Canada = (2) U.S	Very thin , somewhat emaciated; The vertebrae along the topline are prominent. The hooks and tail head are visually less prominent. There is no fat around the hip bone and pin bone and tail head.				
(2) Canada = (3) U.S	Thin. The vertebrae along the topline are prominent. Muscle tissue is evident, but not abundant. Individual vertebrae can be felt, but are not as sharp. The short ribs can be identified individually when touched. There is some tissue cover around the hook and tail head.				
(2.5) Canada = (4) U.S	Individual ribs noticeable but overall fat cover is lacking; increased musculature through shoulders and hindquarters; hips and short ribs feel slightly round versus sharp.				
(3) Canada = (5) U.S	Increased fat cover over ribs, and ribcage is only slightly visible. Generally only the 12 and 13 ribs are individually distinguishable. Obvious fat deposits behind the front shoulder. Areas on each side of the tail head are well filled but not rounded.				
(3.5) Canada = (6) U.S	Back, ribs, and tail head slightly rounded and feel spongy when palpated.				
(4) Canada = (7) U.S	Moderately fat, the bone structure is no longer noticeable. The skeletal structure is difficult to identify. Individual short ribs cannot be felt even with firm pressure. Folds of fat are beginning to develop over the ribs and thurl area of the animal. Fat cover around the tail head is evident on both sides as slight "rounds" that are soft to the touch.				
(4.5) Canada = (8) U.S	Fat; very fleshy, squared appearance due to excess fat over back, tail head, and hindquarters. Individual short ribs can- not be felt even with firm pressure. Mobility may begin to be restricted.				
(5) Canada = (9) U.S.	Very fat or obese. The animal has a "blocky" appearance. The bone structure is not noticeable. The back bone has a flat appearance and cannot be felt even with pressure. Folds of fat are apparent over the ribs, thurl and thighs. The hip bones and tail head to pin area on both sides are completely buried in fat. The animal's mobility is impaired by the large amounts of fat.				
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many people keep them anyway," he said.

"I don't care what the heifers look like in terms of their phenotype. If they become pregnant that is more important to me," he said.

At the University of Florida, the herd was managed on the basis of fertility. Over the long term, the herd has improved and is a profitable unit.

"Those heifers that became pregnant in the first 21 days of the breeding season weaned three quarters of a calf more in their lifetime than those females that became pregnant after the first 21 days," he said.

The criteria to stay in the herd means every female has to calve by 24 months of age. Every cow must calve every year without assistance. Cows must provide the resources to raise good calves and the offspring must be genetically capable to perform and gain well. Cows must maintain their body condition scores, however, an individual's body weight can range 300 lb. in a year. It is better to assess body condition throughout the year to take into account seasonal weight fluctuations.

Synchronization

Synchronization where heifers receive hormones orally or intravaginally to induce puberty, is a useful tool.

"Don't use synchronization as

the only way to get semen in the cow. Think of it as a reproductive management tool to start animals cycling," Lamb said.

Synchronization systems have

been around for 25 years and give every heifer a chance to get pregnant. Under this system, probably 15 percent more pregnancies could result compared to waiting for animals to reach standing heat and then artificially inseminating them.

Using artificial insemination can save money because the cost of maintaining and managing bulls is lowered.

"A bull is freeloading nine months of the year," he said.

For further information on synchronization visit beefrepro.unl. edu/resources.html.

Pregnancy

Most females likely become pregnant but early embryonic loss can happen and the cows come back into heat.

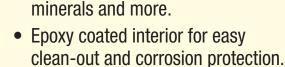
This might happen because of genetic incompatibility between sire and dam or the female was stressed by heat, cold, handling or transportation.

The best time to transport heifers is in the seven-day period after insemination. The worst time is in the three to four weeks after insemination.

"If you can wait until the embryo becomes a fetus around day 42 or 43, then the fetus is more stable," he said.

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NUTRITION

How much salt do cows need when on pasture?

Cows will seek out salt when they need it, but minerals are a different story

BY BARB GLEN LETHBRIDGE BUREAU

Certain questions about salt have got to be licked. If that requires some salty language, so be it.

Cows need salt in their diets but when they're out on the range, providing it along with other necessary minerals requires attention.

How much salt do cows need?

Alberta Agriculture livestock and forage specialist Barry Yaremcio said the amount depends to a large extent on the type of feed available in the pasture.

However, research conducted by forage specialist Rob Hand in the mid-1990s held some surprises about consumption.

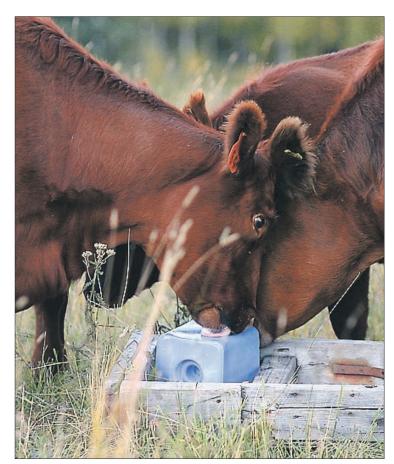
"He found that it was an average of 4.8 days between visits when cows went to the salt and mineral feeder. Yearlings were 2.6 days and calves 3.1 days. So, they come when they feel like it," said Yaremcio.

"The kicker, though, is the amount that they eat ranged anywhere from one to 770 grams per visit per day. So basically what happened was they stayed away for three or four days and then they just pigged out on the salt-mineral combination."

Cows ate up to 774 grams per visit and yearlings licked up 816 grams, on average.

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Blue salt also supplies cattle with cobalt and iodine. | FILE PHOTO

attention is these calves out on pasture. They ate up to 1,140 grams per

Generally speaking, a 1,300 to 1,400 pound cow requires 35 to 45 grams of salt per day, said Yarem-

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- Wiffais just basic salt
- Yellow contains sulfur
- Red contains iron and iodine
- Blue contains cobalt and iodine
- Brown contains cobalt, iodine, iron, zinc, copper, molybdenum and manganese, and sometimes potassium and magnesium
- **Black** contains everything in brown blocks, plus selenium

Source: Utah State University

cio. That means a herd of 100 cows should go through a 55 lb. bag of salt-mineral in about a week, as a rough guideline.

Though cattle have the ability to crave salt when they need it, they don't have the same innate sense when it comes to minerals.

Research in Nebraska tested cows' nutritional wisdom by putting various minerals in separate pots or feeders. The cows, all given the same alfalfa-brome hay, ended up overindulging in limestone even though their feed was already high in calcium.

It's up to us to provide a balance of what's required," said Yaremcio, because cattle won't seek out sources of mineral in which they are deficient.

However, mineral needs vary across Western Canada, he added.

"Manyyears ago, they determined that cobalt and iodine in Western Canada is virtually non-existent in any feeds that are grown locally," said Yaremcio. That's why blue salt, which contains cobalt and iodine, has long been so common.

The region also lacks other vital minerals.

"Across Western Canada, generally copper, manganese, zinc and selenium are deficient."

That's why switching from blue salt to a fortified trace mineral product might pay off. Another study by Hand showed a 25 lb. improvement in weaning weights when cows and calves were provided with the latter type.

Yaremcio recommends the use of fortified salt as opposed to blue salt year round, unless mineral is already being delivered in a feed ration.

When it comes to the question of block versus loose salt and mineral. either one works fine in summer, although high winds can sometimes sweep away loose product. If salt boxes aren't protected from rain, loose salt can also cake up and be hard for cattle to ingest, or partially dissolve and wash away.

However, loose salt-mineral has major advantages in winter.

"When we had -25, -30 degree temperatures, licking on a block of salt is no different than you and me going out to the John Deere tractor and trying to lick the fender," said Yaremcio.

You'll get 25 percent improvement in salt intake in loose form when it's cold, just because it's easier for them to eat."

As for placement of the salt and mineral, he recommends putting it near theloafingorsleepingareaifimproved intake is desired. That way restless cowshaveeasyaccessbecausetheyeat most of their salt at night.

Cattle don't like the tastes of phosphorus and magnesium, which are bitter, or calcium, which dries out the mouth. Offering salt and minerals together provides a better chance of sufficient intake.

If they're still not eating enough mineral, Yaremcio suggests adding dried molasses or another tasty feed to the salt-mineral mix.

"What you want to do is monitor the intake of the salt and mineral so that you adjust the amount of molasses that you include in the mixture to get the right amount of intake on average."

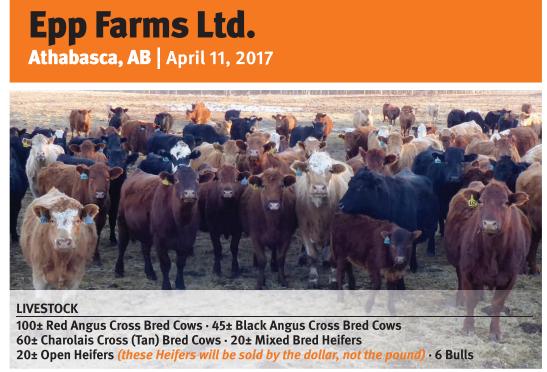
When buying salt and mineral, Yaremcio recommends checking the labels for the various concentrations to ensure value and correct

And need will vary by region. For example, the high molybdenum levels in Manitoba and high sulfur levels in Alberta tend to tie up copper, so a mix with higher supplemental copper is likely to be needed.

Cattle requirements also vary as the grazing season progresses, Yaremcio said. Calcium content in feed tends to decline over summer so the mineral mix may need to be changed accordingly.

Salt content in the water is also a consideration. Some regions of Alberta already have sufficient salt in the water. That might require mineral to be provided in silage or some other feed palatable to the cattle.

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HERD MANAGEMENT

Moderation is good in all things, cows included

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH
CALGARY BUREAU

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The modern cow is a moderate-sized critter capable of outperforming its grandmothers in all the ways that count.

"There is no doubt we have cattle with tremendous capacity for postweaning growth and carcass weight," said beef cattle specialist David Lalman of Oklahoma State University.

The question is whether those cows are costing too much to maintain in relation to the value of their calves.

"We are still in the middle of a never-ending arms race for growth in the cattle business. What we need to do is question whether that is a good thing for the long term," he said at the recent National Cattlemen's Beef Association convention in Nashville.

Since 1960, finished steer weights have increased at a rate of 9.4 pounds per year and carcass weights increased 5.7 lb. per year.

Genetic improvement, better feed and management, as well as technology, such as implants or beta agonists, have made noticeable differences.

However, making carcasses bigger may not have paid as well as previously thought.

"From what we can tell, that probably may not have covered the costs of the cows," he said.

Cattle are also capable of producing better beef. Last year in the United States, 80 percent of the graded carcasses were Choice or higher. However, as they added more fat, red meatyield per carcass lessened.

On-farm weaning rates and weights have improved little.

Weaning rates are still around 80-85 percent. This is the number of cows that weaned a calf relative to the number of cows that were exposed to a bull the previous year.

"There really has not been any change in that metric over the last 25 years," Lalman said.

Weaning weights on most commercial operations in 2015 also remained about the same at 500 to 600 lb.



Modern cows are probably more efficient, but it still costs money to maintain that higher level of productivity. | FILE PHOTO

However, weaning weight statistics were higher among the seven most-widely used breeds of Angus, Charolais, Gelbvieh, Hereford, Limousin, Red Angus and Simmental.

Angus cattle have increased weaning weight to around 600 to 650lb. Data from the other purebred breed associations shows similar weaning weights, said Lalman.

"You can assume most seed stock operations might be a little better managed," he said.

If a commercial operation has above industry averages for weaning weights, it may be related to feeding more throughout the winter or a high level health program.

Profitability has also been examined. A study from the University of Kansas looked at profitability from 90 commercial cowherds from 2010-15.

There was a US\$415 per head difference between the top third and the bottom third of operations.

Those in the higher profitability category tended to have more production with more surviving calves, higher weaning weights, better calf prices and cull cow income. The rest of their profitability was linked to keeping costs under control.

Modern cows are probably more efficient but it still costs money to maintain that higher level of productivity.

Milk production has increased. Among the seven most popular breeds, Herefords substantially increased milk production because breeders selected for it. Other breeds are relatively stable in milk production.

"Every 10 percent increase in milk yield is associated with about five percent increase in maintenance energy requirements," Lalman said.

More milk translates into more calf weight but a recent study at Oklahoma State University found cows needed an extra 50 lb. of a high energy diet to get one more lb. of calf weaning weight.

Cows out on forage are limited

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because they can only eat so much and then don't produce more milk. "What you got is a factory that is

more expensive to maintain but producing no more widgets.

"There is an increasing risk of that

"There is an increasing risk of that going on in the cow-calf sector today," he said.

One way to calculate milk production is to use a tool from the American Angus Association. It can be found at www.angus.org/Performance/OptimalMilk/OptimalMilkMain.aspx.

Consider mature cow weights. In the last 16 years, steer carcass weights have increased 100 lb. and cow carcass weights are up 60 lb.

Research found for every addi-

tional 100 lb. of live cow weight, there is an extra four to 15 lb. of calf weaning weight. However, that additional 100 lb. of cow costs \$40 a year more in maintenance costs.

The calf price for those few extra pounds is not going to support the cost of a bigger cow, said Lalman.

Therefore, improved efficiency without pushing up costs and increasing energy requirements is an advantage. He recommends focusing on moderate-sized cows that maintain their condition in their environment.

"We can have high quality carcasses and efficient, low cost, high fertility cows," he said.

To develop a more fertile, productive herd commercial producers should consider several factors:

- Select cows with moderate milk production and muscle growth.
- Cull open cows.
- Keep only early-born heifers.Keep only early-bred heifers.
- Buy or keep bulls out of cows that always calve early.
- Find a seed stock provider who applies the same above principles.

Fertility is not highly heritable but a sustained cow fertility expected progeny difference (EPD) is coming. This evaluates the value of the sire based on his daughters' ability to stay in the herd over a period of time.

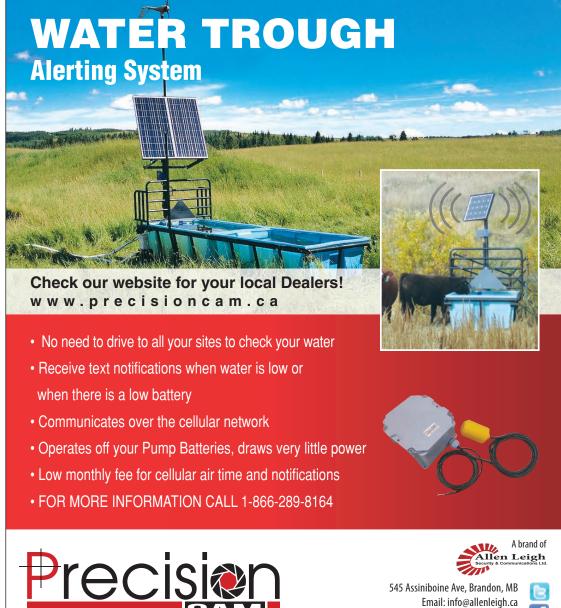
"The longer the bulls' daughters stay in the herd, the higher the EPD value is," he said.

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ANIMAL HEALTH

Watch for Johne's disease this year

Nearly a quarter of herds tested by the WCVM were positive for the deadly bacterial disease

BY BARBARA DUCKWORTH CALGARY BUREAU

Cattle producers should not let their guards down when it comes to Johne's disease.

A prairie-wide disease surveillance program of more than 100 beef herds showed about 1.5 percent of herds tested positive for Johne's, a slow moving, wasting bacterial disease.

"I am not sure we can say it is definitely getting higher but it does look like it might be trending that way," said John Campbell of the Western College of Veterinary Medicine.

The school is running a five-year surveillance study looking for several diseases and conditions including:

- Johne's
- intestinal parasites
- neospora, a parasite that causes abortions
- · trace mineral levels and deficiencies
- bovine leukosis, which can lead to cancer
- venereal diseases, such as trichomoniasis and campylobacter in bulls

The tests are not perfect for Johne's and only indicate positive or negative results. They do not mean the cow is actually sick because the test measures antibodies in serum rather than the presence of disease. However, 1,800 cows in 93 herds were checked and 28 cows tested

"Almost 24 percent of herds had at least one cow test positive for Johne's disease," Campbell said.

A production limiting disease survey across Canada in 2003-04 showed less than one percent test-

All cattle are susceptible.

The Beef Cattle Research Council reports about one to two percent of beef cows may be infected and two to nine percent of Canadian dairy cows may have it.

What is Johne's disease?

The disease is carried in manure and can be found on udders, feed or water supplies that are contaminated with feces from infected animals. Calves may also get it from colostrum and milk from infected cows.

It affects calves but they do not show signs of illness until they are between four and six years of age.

Infected cows may continue eating and look alert but as the infection works its way through the intestines, nutrients are not absorbed and the cows get diarrhea.

They become very thin but in beef herds these cows are often culled before actual sickness is seen, said Campbell.

Johne's is not a reportable disease, but there have been initiatives to track it and educate producers about the detrimental affects.

The Canadian Johne's Disease Initiative works on education and eradication in a partnership between government, Dairy Farmers of Canada, Canadian Cattlemen's Association and the Canadian Animal Health Coalition.

Treatment options

Biosecurity and assessment of risks are emphasized because the disease is hard to eradicate.

An infected cow can shed billions of organisms into the environment and pass on the infection to others through manure.

Besides keeping calving areas clean and dry, producers are reminded not to spread manure from a high-risk herd on pastures.

A closed herd is advised but if replacements come in, the history of the herd of origin should be known. Producers should try to pick cattle from herds with a health status equal to or better than their

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MANAGING JOHNE'S

Recommended management practices for infected herds include:

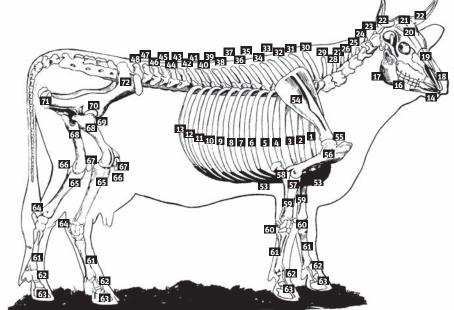
- Cull animals exhibiting signs that suggest Johne's disease. Have carcasses examined to confirm the diagnosis.
- Cull all offspring, dams and siblings of confirmed cases.
- Separate unthrifty animals from
- Clean and disinfect areas where infected animals have been kept. The bacteria are susceptible to 10 minutes exposure to five per cent formalin, 1:32 cresylic disinfectant, 1:40 phenol, 1:1000 mercury bichloride and 1:50 calcium hypochloride.
- Pasture calves on clean pasture and maintain in winter quarters separate from adults until the heifers enter the herd.
- Protect young animals from adult manure drainage.
- Ensure feed and water are not contaminated with manure. Drinking water should come from clean sources.

Source: Alberta Agriculture

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SKELETAL SYSTEM OF A BEEF COW

This sketch of a cow's skeleton was last published by Simmental Country 1994 and was most likely sourced from a veterinary textbook. Cattle producers should understand the basic anatomy of their animals to better gauge body conditioning and general animal



Source: Simmental Country 1994 | WP GRAPHIC

- 1-13 ribs
- 14 incisors 15 lower molars
- 16 upper molars
- 17 lower iaw
- 18 upper jaw
- 19 nasal
- 20 frontal 21 frontal ridge
- 22 horn cores 23-29 cervical vertebrae
- 30-42 dorsal vertebrae
- 43-48 lumbar vertebrae
- 51 sacrum 52 caudal vertebrae
- 53 sternum
- 54 shoulder blade 55 shoulder joint
- 56 humerus 57 elbow joint
- 58 ulna
- 59 radius
- 60 knee joint
- 61 cannon 62 pastern
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ANIMAL HEALTH

Avoid sudden switch to grass

Cattle don't cope well with abrupt changes in diet, can develop bloat

BY KAREN BRIERE REGINA BUREAU

As tempting as it might be to turn the cows out on the spring grass and in the warm weather, don't do it too abruptly, says Alberta livestock and forage specialist Grant Lastiwka.

The consequences could be deadly if cattle develop grass tetany or bloat.

Organisms in the rumen have been dealing with winter feed and won't be able to handle a sudden switch to the pasture, where the grass doesn't provide the same nutrients.

"A rumen takes time to adjust," Lastiwka said.

In the case of grass tetany, or staggers, the problem is the nutrient ratio.

The spring grass is low in available magnesium, high in potassium and high in nitrogen.

Pastures that have been fertilized often present a greater risk because the potassium and nitrogen tie up the magnesium.

Kristen Ritson-Bennett of Blue Rock Animal Nutrition said that inhibits magnesium absorption by the cattle.

'We counter that by feeding a high level of magnesium," she said. The best source, magnesium oxide, is unpalatable to cattle.

"So we use a more expensive source, magnesium sulfate, with flavouring agents," she said.

A constant source of three per $cent \, magnesium \, offered \, in \, mineral \,$ provides good protection.

Symptoms of grass tetany are often not seen until a cow is found dead, but mild cases include decreased milk yield and a nervous animal. In more serious cases, the animal can stop grazing, appear unusually alert and uncomfortable and may stagger and then convulse.

Lastiwka said providing minerals even before cattle are turned out can

 $prepare the \, rumen \, for \, the \, new \, feed.$ Another strategy is to stockpile perennial forage from the previous year. The cattle graze a combination of a feed that would be more $similar in \, quality \, to \, what \, they \, were \,$

green feed at the bite zone. "This would allow for a smoother transition," he said.

Lastiwka stockpiles forage on his own operation, where he begins calving May 25.

Older cows often seem to have more trouble with magnesium $deficiency \, than \, younger \, cows, and$ grass tetany typically develops in early lactation.

Getting the cattle out on the mixed feed with good trace and macro minerals prevents problems, he said. Plus, pasture productivity is improved because the stockpiled grass catches snow and protects the lead tillers of the new growth.



Producers should check on herds often when first beginning spring grazing. Some animals are more prone to bloat than others. | FILE PHOTO

Ritson-Bennett said high sodium levels in water can make freechoice mineral challenging, but lactating cows will seek it out.

Pastures with legumes present less risk of grass tetany but could

cause bloat. Lastiwka said producers who move to incorporate more legumes in pastures and cocktail cover

crops should be aware of bloat,

particularly later in the grazing season after the annual crops in the mix have been grazed off.

Making sure animals are full when they are first turned into a spring pasture helps, as does feeding grain before turnout.

Bloat is less likely to develop on dry forage.

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ANIMAL HEALTH

Proper advice key to good vaccination coverage

BY WILLIAM DEKAY SASKATOON NEWSROOM

Vaccination programs can be complicated, which is why veterinarians urge producers to consult with them to design a vaccine protocol tailored to their specific needs.

"Every producer has different risk levels depending on their contact with other animals, depending on their management system, when they would calve and what area they live in geographically across Canada," said Cody Creelman of Veterinary Agri-Health Services in Aidrie, Alta.

"There's a big difference between southern Saskatchewan and northern Alberta, so there definitely isn't a cookie cutter vaccination protocol."

He said cowherds need to be protected from respiratory and the abortion-causing viral pathogens: infectious bovine rhinotracheitis, bovine viral diarrhoea, bovine respiratory syncytial virus and parainfluenza 3.

"These are the core viral vaccines that most cows get vaccinated with on an annual basis," he said.

There are two types of vaccines. One is a kill vaccine where the virus is actually killed and another is a modified live vaccine that can replicate in the body, but is modified in such a way that it doesn't cause clinical disease.

There are two optimal timeframes for vaccinating. Mature cows can be vaccinated before breeding, or three to four weeks before turning bulls out. Vaccination can also be completed during fall processing while performing pregnancy tests.

The majority of time mature cows would also receive a clostridial vaccination, which producers commonly refer to as their black leg

"Depending on the product, it actually protects against seven or eight different clostridial organisms," Creelman said.

"The clostridials are always killed vaccines and they can be given basically any time of the year, whenever it fits into the producers ability to vaccinate," he said.

"Some producers will vaccinate annually, some every other year and some every three years depending on what their veterinarian's recommendations are and their risk level.

'The general statement is that the breeding season is coming and that vaccinations during the prebreeding time is a common procedure across the cattle industry."

Most veterinarians recommend vaccinating against bovine viral diarrhea (BVD).

It can be transmitted through a congenital infection of the fetus or after birth. Congenital infections may cause resorption, abortion, stillbirth, or calves born with the

The infection in live-birth calves will persist for the life of the calf and they will shed the virus continuously in their environment.

"If it's infected as a fetus right when the immune system is developing, it actually becomes this (persistently infected) animal. It's infected with BVD virus but its immune system never fights it. And they become little walking, talking virus factories that can spread BVD everywhere," said John Campbell from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan.

"That's what we're trying to prevent so one of the ways to vaccinate for BVD is to vaccinate the cow just before breeding prior to turnout because then you get very high (antibody) titers through early gestation, which is the risk period for the fetus and you get better fetal protection there."

 $A vaccination\, program\, to\, prevent$ calf scours or diarrhea is also becoming standard practice. It is administered during precalving to pregnant cows.

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AGRICULTURAL POLICY

Survey finds trade, market access top priorities in Sask.

Tapping export opportunities ranked number one, followed by expansion of the value-added and food processing sector

BY KAREN BRIERE

REGINA BUREAU

Saskatchewan producers say trade and market access are top priorities for the next agriculture policy framework.

According to the provincial government, 887 people, three-quarters of them producers, responded to a recent online survey on the non-business risk management components of the framework.

Other respondents were consumers, organizations, processors, researchers and business.

Of the producer participants, half were grain growers and a quarter were livestock producers, while 18

percent were mixed operations. Vegetable growers, dairy, honey and poultry and egg producers also participated.

Nearly half of all respondents selected trade and new market access as the greatest opportunity for the province's agriculture industry in the next five to 10 years. The growing value-added and processing sector came in at 39 percent, followed by innovative crop and livestock production and management at 33 percent.

Respondents said new innovations in crop and livestock breeding and genetics, increased use of farm business management practices and technology to manage production were also opportuni-

The survey also asked about risks. Consumer perception of agriculture was identified as the greatest risk at 23 percent, followed by changes to market access at 15 percent and environment and climate change at 14 percent.

Plant and animal disease threats, farm succession, transportation and storage, food safety and security, the implementation of a carbon tax, high input costs, low prices, small profit margins and increasing farm sizes were all also mentioned.

Asked specifically about the six priorities from the Calgary Statement signed by agriculture ministers last July, respondents again said markets and trade would have the greatest impact on the industry, followed by science and innovation, public trust, value-added agriculture and processing, risk management and environment and climate change.

However, the report notes responses differed when producers were separated from other respon-

"All demographic groups frequently indicated that markets and trade, and science, research and innovation will have a great impact on agriculture," the report said.

"Producers tend to place more

emphasis on public trust, while other groups tend to emphasize environmental sustainability and climate change."

In terms of funding, respondents were asked to allocate a budget to the six priority areas.

Science, research and innovation $was\,allocated\,22\,percent, followed$ by markets and trade at 21 percent, risk management at 16 percent, value added and processing at 15 percent, environment and climate change at 14 percent and public trust at 12 percent.

Full survey results can be found at www.saskatchewan.ca/Growing-Forward2.

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McLennan, AB | April 4, 2017 · 10 am











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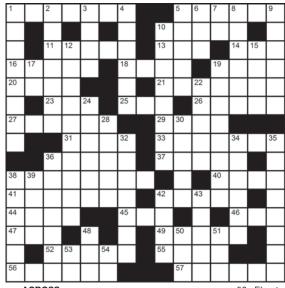
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- 5. __Away
 10. Swashbuckler Flynn
 11. __American Hero (1978 TV movie about the
- real-life Buford Pusser) (2 words)
- Canadian who played General Rieekan in The Empire Strikes Back
- White ____ Sanction
- Schifrin who wrote the Mission: Impossible theme
- Director Vittorio De ___ She played Teri Spencer on *Models, Inc.*
- Misérables

- Disney film starring Dean Jones and Michele Lee
- (with The) (2 words)
 She works at the gas station's convenience store on Corner Gas
- He played Richard Sherman in The Seven Year Itch He played Charles "Trip" Tucker III on Star Trek: Enterprise
- Loughlin of Full House
- Film starring John Bromfield and Joi Lansing (2 words)
 Actress who was married to a U.S. president
- The Magic of Belle Neighbor (1984 made-for-television movie starring John Ritter and Penny Marshall)
- 46. Benicio ___ Toro 47. ___ Dawn Chong
- She made her film debut in The Heart is a Lonely
- Hunter
- 55. Dollhouse "doll" (2 words)

- 56. Film starring Jim Carrey and Zooey Deschanel (2 words)
- 57. He played Ray Krebbs on Dallas

- It ___ (TV sitcom Richard Crenna and Patty Duke Astin starred in) (2 words)
 2005 film starring Calista Flockhart
- 3. Director and writer of Harsh Times
- Where Trieste Kelly Dunn was born Actress Celi
- Ferris Bueller's girlfriend
- 10. Christine who was married to Peter Bergman of The Young and the Restless
 Film starring Forest Whitaker and Anthony Mackie
- Like Love (2 words)
- 15. ___ Like Love (2 words)
 17. Taiwanese actress Shu
- 17. Talwariese actress Situ19. He played Nixon in *Frost/Nixon*22. She played Sandy West in *The Runaways*
- Actress Miller
- She plays Zelena, the Wicked Witch of the West on Once Upon a Time
- 32. She played Nadia Santos on Alias
 - Ambition
- She played Jill Valentine in Resident Evil: Apocalypse 36. Protection
 - Seconds Over Tokyo
 Colonel Klebb's first name in From Russia with Love
- He played Dr. John Carter on ER A.I. humanoid
- Taylor who played Alexandra in Tangerine 48. Doc ___ (Alfred Molina's character in *Spider-Man 2*)
 Japanese director Satoshi
- Number Four Actor's initials who starred in The Thin Red Line



Abernethy, SK | April 11, 2017 · 11 am









Mid Prairie Acres – Jake & Jeremy Vanden Brink







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Hanna, AB | April 6, 2017 · 10 am









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Double Dawson Farm Ltd.

- Don & Marlene Dawson **Nipawin, SK** | April 10, 2017 · 10 am









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Ituna, SK (West of Yorkton) | April 13, 2017 · 10 am









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Verne & Joanne Helm and Tyler & Crystal Helm

Shellbrook, SK (West of Prince Albert) | April 11, 2017 · 10 am









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Andy & Ildiko Orosz - A Orosz Farm Ltd.

Dubuc, SK | April 7, 2017 · 10 am









AUCTION LOCATION: From DUBUC, SK, go 1.6 km (1 mile) South, then go 1.6 km (1 mile) East OR From YORKTON, SK, go 64 km (40 miles) South on Hwy 9 to Dubuc, then go 1.6 km (1 mile) South, then go 1.6 km (1 mile) East. GPS: 50.662600, -102.449810

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 2009 Versatile 305 4WD · 1983 John Deere 4450 2WD · 1983 John Deere 2950 2WD • 1975 Massey Ferguson 255 2WD • 2004 John Deere 9660 · 2004 John Deere 630R 30 Ft Rigid Header · 1996 Premier 2920 30 Ft Swather · 1993 International 4900 T/A Grain Truck · 1979 GMC 6000 S/A Grain Truck · 1976 Crown 5.5 CY Pull Scraper · 2004 Morris Maxim II 39 Ft Air Drill · 1996 Morris 8900 39 Ft Air Seeder · 1991 John Deere 610 41 Ft Cultivator · Morris CP725 27 Ft Cultivator · Kello-Bilt 210 14 Ft Offset Disc · Flexi-Coil S82 60 Ft Harrows - Degelman R570S Rock Picker - Melcam Fork Type Rock Picker - Brandt Quickfold 70 Ft Field Sprayer - Buhler Farm King Y650R 60 In. 3 Point Hitch Finishing Mower · 2003 Iohn Deere GX345 48 In Riding Lawn Mower - Case 446 44 In Rotary Riding Lawn Mower · 1996 Brandt 1060 Mechanical Swing Grain Auger · 2011 Wheatheart BH841 Grain Auger · 1994 Sakundiak $HD8-1400\,8\,ln.\,x\,46\,Ft\,Grain\,Auger\cdot Sakundiak\,8\,ln.\,x\,45\,Ft\,Grain$ Auger · Flexi-Coil 10 In. Transfer Auger · 130 ± Bushel Hopper Grain Wagon · 2004 Honda TRX350 Quad ...AND MUCH MORE!

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Unreserved Public Farm Auction

Will & Ruth Petker

Sunset House, AB | April 5, 2017 · 11 am









AUCTION LOCATION: From VALLEYVIEW, AB, go 3.2 km (2 miles) North on Hwy 49, then 21 km (13 miles) East on Sec Hwy 669, then 3 km (1.75 miles) South on Rge Rd 201. **GPS: 55.0573077, -116.926074**

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 1990 Ford Versatile 946 Designation 6 4WD Tractor · 1985 John Deere 4450 2WD Tractor · 2008 John Deere 9770STS RWA Combine · 2008 John Deere 936D 36 Ft Draper Header · 2004 John Deere 4710 90 Ft 4x4 High Clearance Sprayer \cdot 1990 Case 680L 4x4 Loader Backhoe · Kirchner Hydraulic V Ditcher · 1998 International 9200 Eagle 6x4 Truck Tractor T/A · 2000 Kalyn/Siebert 53 Ft Tri/A

Step Deck Trailer · 1998 Lode King 45 Ft T/A Hibov Trailer · 1997 Doepker 40 Ft T/A Grain Trailer · 1999 Flexi-Coil 5000 51 Ft Air Drill · (11) Grain Bins · 2004 Unverferth 9250± Bushel S/A Grain Cart · 2013 Rem 2700 Grain Vac · Farm King 1370 Mechanical Swing Grain Auger \cdot 2015 Farm King CX1041 Grain Auger \cdot 2012 Farm King 841 Grain Auger ... AND MUCH MORE!

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Unreserved Public Farm Auction

Collopy Farms Ltd. – Duane & Ken Collopy

Frobisher, SK | April 6, 2017 · 11:30 am













AUCTION LOCATION: Directions: From ALAMEDA, SK, at the Jct of Hwy 9 & 18, go 13.8 km (8.5 miles) West, then North 7.2 km (4.5 miles) North OR From LAMPMAN, SK, go 20.9 km (13 miles) East on Hwy 361, then 11.5 km (7 miles) South on Grid 604. Yard on East side. GPS: 49.268209, -102.443764

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 2012 Case IH 550 Quadtrac Tractor · 2007 Case IH STX480 Quadtrac Tractor · 1998 New Holland TV140 Bi-Directional Tractor · 2013 Case IH 8230 Combine · 2014 Case IH 3152 40 Ft Rigid Draper Header · 2010 Case IH WD1903 36 Ft Swather · 2009 Case IH Patriot 3330 100 Ft High Clearance Sprayer · 2007 International 9400I

Eagle T/A Grain Truck · 1996 International 4900 Navistar T/A Grain Truck \cdot 2014 Bourgault 3320PHD QDA 66 Ft Air Drill \cdot 2014 Degelman Pro-Till 40 Ft · 2012 Riteway 8100 78 Ft Heavy Harrows · 2010 Degelman SK1150 Grain Cart · 25+ Grain Bins ...AND MUCH MORE!

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Unreserved Public Farm, Real Estate & Livestock Auction

Horn Ridge Ranch Ltd.

Spruce Grove, AB | April 7, 2017 · 10 am







Sale starts at 10 am Internet Bidding Begins at 10am Late Model Equip Begins at 11am

Real Estate Begins at 12 NOON Livestock and Handling Equipment

AUCTION LOCATION: From Devon, AB go 4 km (2.5 miles) North on Hwy 60 to Township Rd 511 (Graminia Rd), then go 6.4 km (4 miles) West to Range Rd 271, then go 1/4 mile South. Yard on East side.

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Unreserved Public Farm & Real Estate Auction

Ted & Margaret Gehlert and Brian Gehlert

Spruce Grove, AB | April 8, 2017 · 11 am



Parcel 1 – PNE 32-50-27-W4 – 14.46± Acres **Country Residential Acreage**

1977 1450± sq ft bungalow w/attached single garage 900± sq ft 11/2 storey home

2015 Moduline Q15-0007 1672± Sq Ft Modular Home (sells separate)

Parcel 2 – NE 32-50-27-W4 136.54± Title Acres – Farmland



Brokerage: All West Realty Ltd.







AUCTION LOCATION: From Devon, AB go 4 km (2.5 miles) North on Hwy 60 to Township Rd 511 (Graminia Rd), then 9.7 km (6 miles) West to Range Rd 273, then 2 km (1.25 miles) South to Township Rd 510. Property on South side. **Municipal Address**: 27411 Twp Rd 510 **GPS**: 53.366469, -113.910250

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Unreserved Public Farm Auction

Patrik & Jessica Stocker

Wolseley, SK | April 7, 2017 · 11 am

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A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 2006 Case IH Seed Hawk 60 Ft Air Drill · 2009 Bourgault 6550STTow-Between STX480HD 4WD Tractor · 1999 Case IH MX135 MFWD Tractor · 2005 Lexion 580R Combine • 1995 Case IH 2188 Combine • 2008 Lexion F535 35 Ft Max Flex Header - 1999 Case IH 1020 30 Ft Flex Header · 2009 Westward M150 35 Ft Swather · 1995 International 2674 T/A Grain Truck · 1989 Ford F700 S/A Grain Truck · 2007

Air Tank · 1981 Morris CP743 43 Ft Cultivator · 1994 Tyler Patriot XL 90 Ft High Clearance Sprayer \cdot 2010 Bandit 3400TC Fertilizer Cart \cdot 2009 Buhler Farm King 1370 13 In. x 70 Ft Mechanical Swing Grain Auger ... AND MUCH MORE!

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Unreserved Public Farm Auction

Rick Kitzul & Estate of Brenda Kitzul

Ituna, SK | April 10, 2017 · 10 am











AUCTION LOCATION: From ITUNA, SK, go North on Hwy 310 to Jct of Hwy 310 & Hwy 52, then go 1.6 km (1 mile) East on Hwy 52, then go 16 km (10 miles) North on Hwy 310. Yard on East side. **GPS: 51.351928, -103.483210**

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 2014 Versatile Loader · Hyster 8 Ton Forklift · 2011 Morris Contour 51 Ft Air Drill 450 4WD · 2007 John Deere 7520 MFWD ·2006 John Deere 9760STS · 2004 John Deere 9760ST · John Deere 212 Pick-Up Header · 2009 Westward M150 35 Ft Swather · 1996 Prairie Star 4930 30 Ft Swather · 2000 International 9900 I Sleeper T/A Truck · 1995 Volvo T/A Truck · 2005 Lode King Prestige 28 Ft Super B $Grain\, Trailer \cdot Caterpillar\, 920\, Wheel\, Loader \cdot Dresser\, 530\, Wheel\,$

· Morris 745 Cultivator · 2006 Rogator 1074 100 Ft 4x4 High Clearance Sprayer · Westfield 130-71 Mechanical Swing Grain Auger · 2007 Richiger EA180 10 Ft Grain Extractor · 2007 Flaman 710 10 Ft Grain Bagger · Brent 672 Grain Cart · 2011 Rem 2700 Grain Vac ...AND MUCH MORE!

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Unreserved Public Farm Auction

Shiels Farms Ltd. - Rob Shiels

Hazlet, SK | April 10, 2017 · 10 am







AUCTION LOCATION: From HAZLET, SK, go 16.1 km (10 miles) West to dead end, then go North 9.66 km (6 miles), then go West 0.8 km (0.5 miles) GPS: 50.486989, -108.8349501

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 1996 John Deere 8770 4WD · 1980 John Deere 4440 2WD · 2004 John Deere 9760STS · 2010 John Deere 635F Header · Trailtech 35 Ft Header Transport · 1996 Westward 36 Ft Swather · Ditch Witch R100P Trencher · 1988 Peterbilt 377 Sleeper T/A Truck · 1977 GMC 7500 S/A Grain Truck · 1998 Doepker 42 Ft Tri/A Grain Trailer · 1992 Prairie 20 Ft T/A Stock Trailer · Custombuilt 48 Ft T/A Step Deck

Trailer · Miskin 6 CY Hydraulic Pull Scraper · 2014 New Holland P2050 33 Ft Air Drill · Bourgault 1850 120 Ft Field Sprayer · 2014 Bandit 1700 Liquid Fertilizer Cart · 2003 John Deere 567 Round Baler · New Holland 1475 18 Ft Mower Conditioner · Qty of Bins · Bergen 10.75 In. x 60 Ft Hydraulic Swing Grain Auger \cdot Rem 2700 Grain Vac · Highline 7000 Bale Processor ...AND MUCH MORE!

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Garth & Kerry Cole

Grenfell, SK | April 8, 2017 · 11 am





AUCTION LOCATION: From GRENFELL, SK, At the Jct of Hwy 1 & Hwy 47 North, go 1.7 km (1 mile) West to Grid 616, then 17.6 km (10.9 miles) South, then 3.9 km (2.4 miles) West. Yard on North side. GPS: 50.2535000, -104.0012694

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 1992 Case IH 7130 Magnum MFWD Tractor \cdot 1978 Case 2290 2WD Tractor \cdot 1978 Case 1070 2WD Tractor \cdot Ford Antique Tractor \cdot 1997 John Deere 9600 Combine \cdot 1993 John Deere 930 30 Ft Rigid Header · 2000 Massey Ferguson 220 Series II 30 Ft Swather · 1994 Freightliner D120 T/A Grain Truck · 1980 Ford F700 S/A Grain Truck

· Custombuilt 8 Ft x 4 Ft T/A Utility Trailer · 2007 Seed Hawk 28 Ft Air Drill · Case 30 Ft Cultivator · 1990 Flexi-Coil 50 70 Ft Field Sprayer · 1995 Demco GF-250 350± Bushel Grain Wagon · 2003 Westfield MK100-6110 In. x 61 Ft Mechanical Swing Grain Auger ...AND MUCH MORE!

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Glenn & Pam Leisle - G.P.L. Farms Ltd.

Morse, SK | April 8, 2017 · 11 am





AUCTION LOCATION: From Intersection of HWY 1 & HWY 19, go 11.3 km (7 miles) South, then go 4.9 km (3 miles) East, then go 0.6 km (0.4 miles) South. Yard on East Side. GPS: 50.304283, -106.898295

Steiger 485 4WD · 2010 Case IH Magnum 190 MFWD · 2011 Case IH Farmall 75A MFWD · 2011 Case IH 8120 Combine · 2014 MacDon FD75-D 40 Ft Flex Draper · 2004 Case IH WDX1101 36 Ft Swather \cdot 2012 Kenworth T370 T/A Grain Truck \cdot 2005 H&H 30 Ft Tri/A Gooseneck Equipment Trailer · 2005 Bourgault 5710 54 Ft Air Drill · 2001 Degelman LR7645 45 Ft Land Roller · 2014 Case

A PARTIAL EQUIPMENT LIST INCLUDES: 2009 Case IH IH Patriot 4430 120 Ft High Clearance Sprayer · 2009 Schulte XH1500-S3 15 Ft Batwing Rotary Mower · 2015 Batco 1585 15 In. x 85 Ft Grain Conveyor · 2012 Batco 1545FL Grain Conveyor · 2004 Sakundiak HD10-2000 10 In. x 66 Ft Mechanical Swing Grain Auger · 2012 Magnum Fabricating Ltd 4500 Litre Fuel $\mathsf{Tank} \cdot \mathsf{2010}$ Magnum Fabricating Ltd 750 Litre Slip In Fuel Tank ...AND MUCH MORE!

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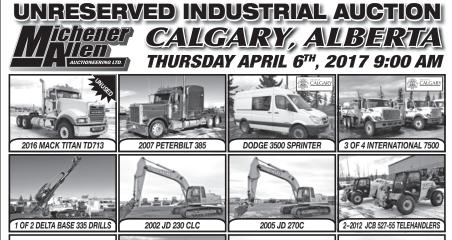
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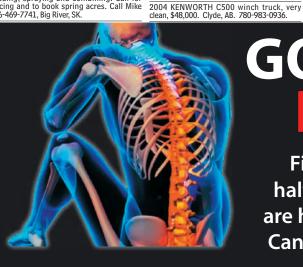
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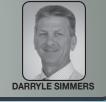
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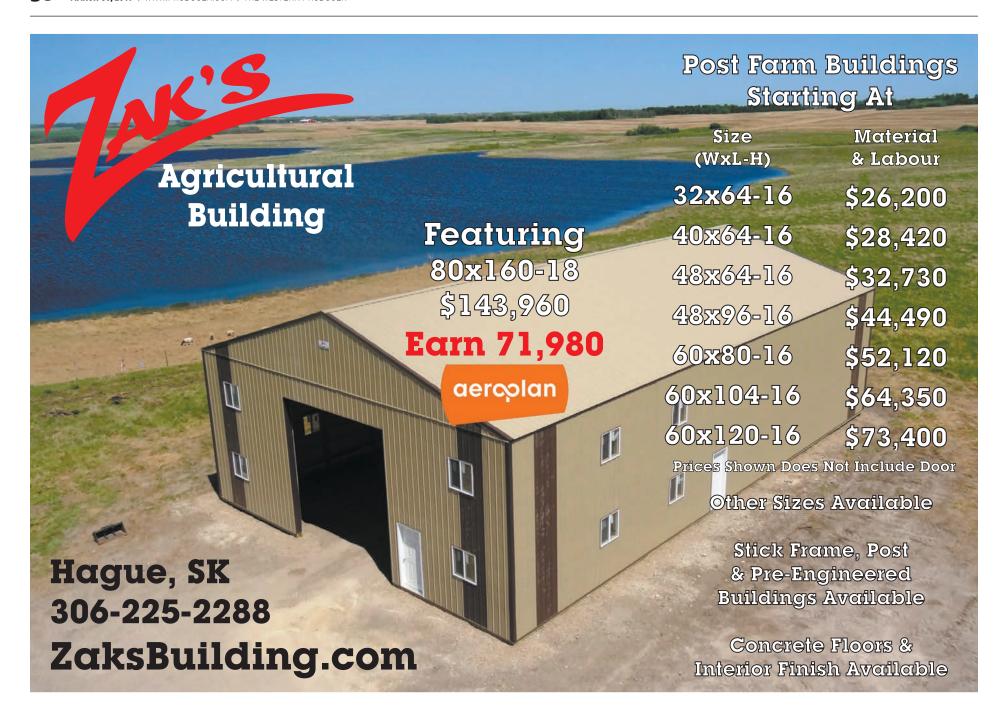


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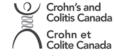
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FLOATERS: 2 - 2014 New Leader L4000's FLUAIERS: 2 - 2014 New Leader L4000's, 14', w/spin spreaders, on IHC Navistar truck chassis, only 39,850 kms, 295 cu. ft. box with tarp, AutoSteer, exc. condition, choice, \$219,000. Agriterra Equipment, High River, AB. 403-652-2414.

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4139 SWATHERS

2012 JD D450, c/w 635D header w/PU reel, lifters, Roto-Shear, swath roller, ATU, 24.5R32 Firestones, new canvases 550 hrs., exc cond, \$92,500 BO. Shaunavon, SK. 306-297-7400, brentwilkins@sasktel.net

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MF HESSTON 9430 swather and Hesston MF HESSTON 9430 swather and Hesston 5200 draper header with 1188 hours, also MF 18' Hesston 9125 haybine header. Lang Stock Farms Ltd. Farm Equipment Auction, Wednesday, April 12, 2017, Tyan, SK. area. Visit www.mackauctioncompany.com for sale bill and photos or join our Facebook page. 306-421-2928, 306-487-7815, Mack Auction Co. PL #311962.

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4160

IH 1482 PT combine, chopper, new cones, always shedded, very good condition. 780-645-2206, 780-646-3844, St. Paul, AB 1981 INT. HARVESTER C 1440, 1179 hrs.,

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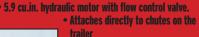
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2008 ST830 47' chisel plow, 5 plex, 650 lb. trips, 8" knock-on shovels, anhydrous Raven rate control, factory hitch, hyd. winch, 9/16" heavy harrows, \$75,000 OBO. Call 204-733-2446, Ochre River, MB.

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4280 WHITE

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CASE/IH 4286



2003 CASE/IH STX 425, 4 WD, 1320 hrs., Hi-Flow hyd. pump 54 GPM, 24 spd. std. trans., 4 hyd. outlets, Trimble hydraulic integrated AutoSteer, Trimble CFX 750 display, rear weights, 520/85R42 triples, exc. cond., always shedded. 204-242-2940, Manitou, MB. Email: wiebeg@xplornet.ca

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2003 MXM 130, SN# ACM201322, 1950 hrs., like new condition, rear tires 520/85R 38, 420/85R 28's @ 95%, suspended cab and front akle, air ride seats, 3PTH, bar axles, 4 hyds. outlets. need more power selling for \$59,000 or will consider low power CH 7110 or 7120 with PTO on trade. 780-363-2215, Chipman, AB

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2013 CASE/IH 140 Maxim MFWD, 2500 hrs., FEL w/grapple, 9' 3 PTH, fully hydraulic angle blade, very good condition, \$115,000. 780-723-0416, Edson, AB. darcy12@telus.net

1949 FARMALL C IHC tractor and 8' cultivator, very good running condition, \$2500. 306-373-7552, St. Louis, SK.

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2007 JD 9420, 4713 hrs., 1 owner, all available options, 800 Firestone deep tread tires, weights, 15 spd. Powershift, climate control, Active Seat, extra lighting, SN# RW9420P051184, excellent condition, \$175,000. Charles Cattle Co., 306-457-2935, Stoughton, SK.

JOHN DEERE 9100, 12 spd., 4300 hrs., EZ-Steer GPS, 265 HP, always shedded, \$65,000. 204-734-4311, Swan River, MB.

JD 9320 4WD with 3800 hrs and Greenstar JD 9320 4WD with 3800 hrs and Greenstar ready, JD 8640 4WD tractor with PTO, JD 4640 2WD tractor, JD 4240 2WD with JD 148 FEL and grapple, JD 5020 2WD tractor and front mount Schulte snowblower, JD 5020 2WD tractor w/dozer blade, JD 5020 2WD tractor w/2086 hrs, JD 4020 2WD tractor w/2086 hrs, JD 4020 2WD tractor w/JD 148 FEL, JD 2130 2WD tractor with 3 PTH. William Krell Estate Farm Equip. Auction, Monday, April 10, 2017, Stoughton, SK. area. For sale bill and photos visit www.mackauction.company.com or join our Facebook page. 306-421-2928, 306-487-7815 Mack Auction Co. PL311962

JOHN DEERE 2140 w/JD 148 loader, 3PTH, 2 hyds., 5700 hrs., all new tires, new seat, new exhaust, paint very sharp, beautiful tractor, \$15,900. Call Randy 204-729-5162, Brandon, MB.

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2010 JD 7430, Premium, FWA, 4300 hrs.. loader ready, 1 owner, 3PTH, excellent condition. Call 403-896-4673, Clive, AB.

RETIRED: JD 4230, 4000 hrs., powershift trans., 3 PTH, excellent condition, \$25,000. 403-545-2382, Bow Island, AB.

2003 JD 9420, 5261 hrs., 24 spd., Greenstar ready, 7/10-70R42, \$130,000. Earl Grey, SK. 306-939-4800 or 306-726-7807.

2001 JD 7810, FWD, Power Quad, LHR with E-range, 3 PTH, 3500 hrs. 780-674-5516, 780-305-7152 Barrhead AB JD 7210, FWA, approx. 7500 hrs., 105 HP,

3 PTH, bale/grapple forks, loader, power-shift \$54,900. 780-674-1799, Sangudo, AB 1984 JOHN DEERE 8440, 4 WD, with PTO, 7800 hrs., in good condition, \$15,000. 306-831-6098, Milden, SK.

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2000 JD 7710, 5130 hrs; 2006 7720, 6200 hrs; 2003 7810, 4200 hrs; 1998 7810, 5900 hrs. All MFWD and can be equipped w/loaders. 204-522-6333, Melita, MB.

1998 JD 9400, powershift, shedded, tow cable, 710x70R38 rubber, 7000 hrs., \$74,000. 306-524-4960, Semans, SK.

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1978 JOHN DEERE 4430 Quad trans, rebuilt hyd. pump, runs good, well maintained, new tires, c/w 12' Degelman blade, good cond, \$25,000. 306-338-7512, Wadena, SK.

1998 JD 9300 4WD tractor with 6545 hrs and Greenstar ready, also a JD 8760 4WD tractor w/4415 hrs. Ron and Donna Labbie Farm Equipment Auction, Saturday April 8, 2017, Radville, SK. area. For sale bill and photos visit mackauctioncompany.com or join our Facebook page. 306-421-2928 or 306-487-7815 Mack Auction Co. PL311962

JD 3140 with 148 loader and grapple. 306-283-4747, Langham, SK.

2014 JOHN DEERE 7230R, 335 hrs, 1000 PTO, H480 loader, 5700 Degelman blade, warranty, exc. 780-636-3768, Vilna, AB.

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WANTED: JD 2520 tractor, powershift, 1969-1972. Also 3020, 4000, 4020, 4020, diesel, powershift, 1969-1972; Cancar Ag tree farmer 4WD, 1960's. 306-960-3000.

1982 JD 4640, approx. 9000 hrs, good rubber, always shedded, \$22,000 OBO. 306-231-8212, Humboldt, SK.

1989 JD 8760, 4 WD, 8900 hrs., 12 spd. 306-630-9838, Brownlee, SK. diff. lock, 4 hyds., 20.8x38 Goodyear factory duals- 80%, always shedded, immaculate cond, always serviced w/JD oil and filters, \$52,500. 306-744-7607, Saltcoats, SK

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1982 MASSEY 4800, 3 spd. powershift, PTO, 230 HP, 18.4x38 tires, \$20,000 OBO. 306-648-8144, Gravelbourg, SK.

1983 MF 2805, 20.4x38 duals (good), good V8 motor, needs hyd. pump on RH exterior \$4000 OBO. 306-735-2936 Whitewood, SK

MF 6170, FWA, 948 MF loader and grap ple, new front/rear tires, 2990 hrs., asking \$25,000. 780-853-2642, Vermilion, AB.

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1993 FORD 846, 7792 hrs., 230 HP, 4 WD, 18.4R38 duals, PTO, 4 hyds., diff lock, cab, AC, heat, 14 spd. std. trans., \$46,000 OBO. Call 204-743-2324, Cypress River, MB.

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CHAROLAIS 5055

SPIRIT OF THE NORTH BULL SALE, Monday April 10th at 1:00 PM at the Spiritwood Stockyards, Spiritwood, SK. Selling 70 Charolais, Black Angus and Simmental yearling and 2 year old bulls. For more info or a catalogue contact T Bar C Cattle Co. 306-220-5006. View the catalogue online at: www.buyagro.com PL#116061.

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WATER SECURITY AGENCY ACT

Farmers still have opportunity to change Sask. drainage bill

The water bill's goal is to organize and control drainage on Saskatchewan farmland

BY BRIAN CROSS SASKATOON NEWSROOM

There is still time to make changes to Bill 44, proposed legislation that would make significant amendments to the Water Security Agency Act, according to Saskatchewan Environment Minister Scott Moe.

But time is of the essence. Any last minute changes need to received by government quickly and approved by the province, Moe told delegates at the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities' recent annual convention in Saskatoon.

Moe stressed that any changes must be consistent with the bill's primary goal, which is aimed at organizing and controlling agricultural drainage in the province.

Bill 44, an Act to Amend the Water Security Agency Act, has received second reading in the legislature and is expected to receive final reading this spring. "With respect to the language in Bill 44 itself... I would offer that you have a look at (the bill), I would offer that you identify specifically the challenges that you have with (it) ... and I would offer that you provide your edits to the SARM office...," Moe told convention delegates March 15.

"I will have a look at those edits and ... discuss them with my cabinet colleagues.

"I offer that today (but) it would have to (happen) fairly quickly."

The province began consultations on agricultural drainage in 2012 and has been working toward implementing new rules for drainage in the province.

Proposed rules would be based on two key premises, said Moe.

First, that all agricultural drainage projects would require a permit, and second, that all permitted drainage activities would require an adequate outlet.

In other words, regardless of where water is drained, there must be an adequate outlet to ensure against loss or damage to property downstream.

Municipal delegates attending the SARM convention in Saskatoon March 14-16 raised concerns about Bill 44, stressing that agricultural productivity and the rights of rural landowners must be protected.

Moe reiterated that the province is willing to work with municipalities and rural landowners to ensure that their interests are fully considered

He also reminded delegates that a provincial advisory board representing agricultural, municipal and conservation interests will be put in place to provide input on future regulations and policies related to farm drainage.

But the province remains committed to improving provincial regulations that govern rural drainage

Provincial Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart offered similar com-

"There's a willingness to work with you ... (but) the bottom line is that we can't go back to the Old West, which is the way it's been up to now," Stewart said.

Some SARM delegates voiced concerns, suggesting the bill be amended to ensure that the livelihoods and rights of farmers and rural landowners are not unnecessarily affected.

Among other items, the bill grants the Water Security Agency the ability to close or alter any pre-1981 drainage project without compensation to the owner.

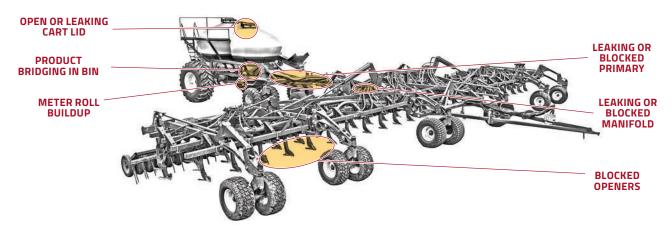
Harlan Block, a councillor from the RM of Leroy, said the goal of managing rural drainage at a provincial level is commendable. But the method in which the goal is accomplished is critically important.

"Farmers are definitely in favour of organized drainage. We've been doing it for years," he said. "But I think one of the concerns that remains... is related to the wording of that bill ... because it definitely affects landowners rights."

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Ont. seed corn growers back regulated marketing

The seed corn marketing board has worked for producers and processors since 1940, says industry official

BY JEFFREY CARTER FOR THE WESTERN PRODUCER

DRESDEN, Ont. — Jeff Wilson, past-chair of Seed Corn Growers of Ontario, sees no sign that the marketing board will meet the same fate as Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers.

Both marketing boards are regulated under the Ontario Farm Products Marketing Act, which provides them with the authority to collectively negotiate contracts with their respected processors.

"Regulation 440 has been working very well for us. We've never had to go to final offer arbitration," Wilson said.

"The seed corn industry is stronger for both the processor and the producer because of organized marketing, and we support Regulation 440."

Last summer, the government-appointed Farm Products Marketing Commission announced its intention to open up Regulation 440 as it applies to the OPVG for change. That was widely interpreted as a move to take away the OPVG's power to collectively negotiate prices with processor on behalf of growers.

A small number of growers supported the move, but most have been opposed.

Provincial Agriculture Minister

Jeff Leal intervened, but the subsequent industry discussions failed to resolve the issue to the satisfaction of the provincial cabinet or the commission.

Wilson said he knows of no instance, since the seed corn marketing board was created in 1940, in which contracts failed to be successfully negotiated without resorting to final offer arbitration.

That's not been the case with the OPVG, but according to processing vegetable board supporters, the negotiation process encourages both growers and processors to make reasonable offers. Even when final offer arbitration is required, the two sides have never been too

far apart.

There are about 260 seed corn growers, most of whom farm in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent in southwestern Ontario. They'll be growing close to 19,000 acres of seed corn for the six seed companies that operate processing facilities in the province.

Grant Craven, vice-president of operations for Pride Seeds, said growers and processors both want to maintain a vibrant seed corn industry. As a result, co-operation and negotiating in good faith are important, he added.

"At the end of the day, the seed corn board does a consistent job at getting good contracts settled."

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DON'T GET PUSHED AROUND BY EQUIPMENT

Farm equipment such as NH3 tanks can throw around its weight.

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VEHICLE SAFETY

Farm trailer brakes leading to highway of death?

The ingredients for disaster are brewing, says Saskatchewan equipment manufacturer

BY RON LYSENG WINNIPEG BUREAU

Think about this. What happens if 235,000 pounds of four-wheel-drive tractor towing a loaded grain cart loses its brakes going downhill, and the entire rig slams broadside into a school bus full of kids?

It's not a matter of "if," says Brian Olson of Power Pin hitching systems in Fort Qu'Appelle Sask. It's a matter of "when."

With 30 years of designing and building agricultural hitches, it's an issue he thinks about often. The fact that farm equipment in North America doesn't require brakes is troubling the machinery maker.

Olson said that right now, somewhere in North America, the ingredients for that disaster are brewing: maybe your province, maybe your municipality or maybe even your farm.

"A full 2,000 bushel cart with high moisture corn at 65 lb. per bushel carries a 135,000 lb. payload. The cart itself weighs 50,000 lb. The tractor weighs another 50,000 lb. So we're looking at nearly a quarter million lb. gross vehicle weight. How do you stop that mountain from rolling over you?" Olson said.

"I was a farmer before, so I have some opinions relevant to this discussion. But now I'm in the business of building tractor drawbars. These other guys build grain carts and trailers and other implements towed behind tractors. The stuff some of them are building is way out of standards. They're busting

up tractor interfaces all the time because the weight of the equipment they're pulling is crazy. And some don't even bother installing brakes."

Olson has dedicated a large amount of his time over the past three decades working with American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers, the Canadian Standards Association and other organizations on these safety issues and has found a lot of politics and infighting.

Now the industry is talking tractors rated for 35 m.p.h. to 55 m.p.h. This will be chaos. This spells death on the highway.

BRIAN OLSON

POWER PIN

For example, the committees dealing with standardized hydraulic connectors were deadlocked for years before finally agreeing on a common criteria. He hopes those deadlocks don't repeat themselves and delay resolution of the trailer brake dilemma.

He said tractor manufacturers have been big supporters of the ASABE in keeping everyone on the same page on safety issues, but the real problem is not the tractor.

The real problem is the runaway iron mountain towed behind the tractor. ASABE recently reviewed the 15-year-old requirements on to 90,000 lb. gross vehicle weight. I told the committee this equipment was already over weight when it's empty."

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TOP: The Saskatchewan air seeder accident image that has made the rounds on the internet and referenced by Brian Olson shows the energy of a loaded seeding unit and how it can overcome a tractor. While brakes might not have prevented this accident, it does show the mass of modern equipment. | FILE PHOTO

ABOVE: Emergency workers treated Monroe County, Missouri, farmer Kent Blades in 2006 when he was severely injured in a tractor accident. Blades and his family urge drivers to slow down and be watchful of farmers on the road during spring planting season. | PHOTO COURTESY OF LINDA BLADES

brakes for farm trailers and carts and decided they badly needed updating.

While serving as a representative for the Agricultural Manufacturers of Canada on the CSA, he compiled a statistical picture of the death and destruction caused by farm equipment on public roads.

"I showed CSA the data and explained simply that we've got to ... make our equipment safe. If we don't, one of these days we're going to have that big accident. And when that happens, all our farm equipment will be legislated right off the public roads," Olson said.

"It's not only safety, but what are we doing to these roads? There was a big fight in Wisconsin about 10 years ago over the weight of liquid manure wagons. They previously allowed 80,000 lb., which was the same limit as semi trailers. But they raised the limit for farm equipment to 90,000 lb. gross vehicle weight. I told the committee this equipment was already over weight when it's empty."

European tractors

A secondary safety issue arises as deteriorating roads further contribute to accidents. Olson's company exports hitches to Europe, installed on Case and Deere tractors.

The hitches must have a homologation number indicating they meet European safety criteria. Inspectors regularly check shipments to ensure they have the proper credentials.

Olson said the better brake systems employed on European tractor are good, but they're still not up to hauling the heavy loads that are often pulled in North America.

He said one major step forward is to determine which towed units need better brakes. Is it only designated heavy trailers like air carts, grain carts, slurry tanks, forage wagons and NH3 tanks, or do the regulations extend to scrapers and even drills? What about combines, sprayers and four-wheel-drive tractors when they're not towing a

heavy implement?

"To begin with, we have to make farmers more aware of the potential danger," he said.

"We just assume that implement manufacturers are selling us the safest equipment possible. Not true.... Farmers have to put pressure on these companies.

"Don't assume that just because your trusted dealer sold you an implement, that he knows it's safe. Don't assume everyone has done their due diligence because you'll find out someday when you're upside down in a slough somewhere that they haven't.

"Now the industry is talking tractors rated for 35 m.p.h. to 55 m.p.h. Guys will legally drive a tractor at 55 m.p.h. pulling a fully loaded 2,000 bushel cart to the terminal or to town to pick up the mail. Once you hook that tractor to that loaded grain cart, all your load figures go up exponentially. This will be chaos. This spells death on the highway."

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BRAKE REGULATIONS

Engineers, industry talk brakes

People shake their heads in bewilderment upon learning there's no brake criteria for farm trailers

BY RON LYSENG
WINNIPEG BUREAU

Under current regulations, there is no requirement for brakes on farm trailers, carts or wagons. Most manufacturers offer brakes as an option, but very few farmers spend the extra money.

"The number of farmers ordering optional brakes would be less than five percent," says Mike Friesen, president of Elmer's Manufacturing.

Friesen is an engineer. He knows

machinery from the moment it's a mere whim right through to the time it's working on his own family farm at Altona, Man., or on farms across North America and Europe. His father, Elmer Friesen, launched Elmer's Manufacturing in 1978. Designing farm equipment seems to run in the family.

Friesen said his company does a lot of business in Europe, so it must design every piece of equipment in accordance with strict European standards, including brake systems. It evens make har-

rows with brakes.

Although the full line of Elmer's equipment sold in Canada can be ordered with the optional brake package, only one or two customers per year check that option box, usually on the big grain carts with rubber tracks.

At a list price of only \$10,000 for brakes on a grain cart, it's likely not the cost that prevents farmers from buying the brake system. Friesen thinks it's simply an awareness issue. He said that if operators understood the benefits and safety

Bourgault used an automatic surge sensing brake activation system that triggers the dual callipers on the axles if the cart catches up to and nudges the tractor. The cylinder has two inches of travel to supply oil and pressure. | BOURGAULT IMAGE

aspect of brakes on trailers, they would check that option box.

"When equipment was smaller and lighter, you really didn't need brakes, so a lot of it is just habit. People think they never needed brakes before, so they don't need them now. The other thing is that manufacturers don't promote brakes. And they should."

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BUILDING BETTER BRAKES

How do you stop a rolling mountain of iron?

BY RON LYSENG WINNIPEG BUREAU

Is it possible to develop brake technology capable of hauling 235,000 pounds of iron on the highway at 55 m.p.h.?

Brian Olson of Power Pin hitching systems doesn't know exactly how we'll do it, but he does say it's necessary, and he does have an idea of the kinds of questions we should be asking.

"For one thing, we have to look at the difference between hydraulic brakes and air brakes. When an air system comes disconnected, it throws the brakes on instantaneously and automatically. European tractors use air brakes when towing carts, so that technology has been proven for decades.

However, Europeans don't pull the big loads we do this side of the Atlantic.

Hydraulic brakes simply don't cut it for trailers. That's why we've had air brakes on highway rigs forever. That's what we need on farm trailers.

BRIAN OLSON

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"North American manufacturers want hydraulic brakes because they've already invested heavily in these big capacity hydraulic systems, but hydraulics take time to obtain full braking force. They don't engage quickly enough. You need instant response. Plus, you need the trailer brakes to throw on milliseconds before the tractor brakes so you don't jackknife.

"If there's a disconnect with hydraulic brakes, you lose all braking force. If there's a disconnect with air brakes, the trailer brakes clamp on immediately. Hydraulic brakes simply don't cut it for trailers. That's why we've had air brakes on highway rigs forever. That's what we need on farm trailers."

All four major North American tractor manufacturers offer air brakes for towed implements. As well, there are numerous aftermarket kits. The real issue is that very few towed implements have brakes.

Olson said whether the industry adopts air actuated brakes or hydraulically actuated brakes, the big question remains: how do you create enough friction to stop 235,000 lb. of mass, especially if you've allowed it to run down the road at 55 m.p.h.?

"Look at the air brakes on an 18-wheeler. There's 10 individual braking systems on a rig that has a maximum GVW of just 80,000 pounds. But a big four-wheel grain cart only has four tires. There's only space for four friction points. Is that enough contact area? This is a big challenge for the engineers and the people who write the rules."

The next step is deciding between drums and discs, which involves availability of space and what technologies are needed to reduce speed safely and deal with heat generation. Technologies exist in Formula One racing and in electrical generation braking, but bringing them to agricultural applications may still be in the distant future.

European ag manufacturers are gradually switching to electric motors to replace hydraulic and mechanical components. Their three main reasons are better efficiency with electrical, more precise control and the fact that it's easier to route electrical cables than hydraulic lines or drive shafts and belts. Power generated from braking could be used in equipment operation.

Olson said it's up to the engineers to figure out how to accomplish it. His main emphasis is that the industry must take major steps soon in getting high performance braking systems on carts and trailers

"Sooner or later somebody has to step up and say enough is enough. Our industry must take the bull by the horns and regulate ourselves and makes these changes or we're headed over a cliff. So far, we have not taken those steps..... That school bus full of kids, that's exactly what the issue is all about, isn't it. God help us the day that happens. This is something we can prevent. We have the choice right now."

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Two people were injured in a crash in July of 2016 in Warrington, England. A loaded tractor and trailer, even meeting European standards for braking, can present significant issues for the operator when it comes to stopping. | WARRINGTON GUARDIAN PHOTO



BRAKING REQUIREMENTS FOR AG EQUIPMENT UNDER REVIEW

The ASABE subcommittee on machine systems recently reviewed a task force report compiled by braking system experts.

The task force compared the current requirements, which are 15 years old, to more current brake requirements from parts of the world that have already taken into consideration ever-increasing equipment weights and faster towing speeds. They found six shortcomings in the current S365.9 regulations:

- no provision to allow towing of a light-weight ag vehicle without brakes at speeds exceeding 32 km-h
- no distinction between commodity trailers with variable transport loads and implements with fixed transport loads
- no provision to address how brake systems interface between towing vehicle and towed vehicle
- no provisions to warn the operator that the brake system has failed
- no provision for combination braking systems such as hydrostatic and friction brakes
- increased complexity for manufacturers and farmers because
 of the misalignment with other
 standards around the world

The sub-committee expects it will take several years to write a new standard, but voluntary compliance could be applicable in 2018 or 2019.



Without trailer brakes and having a wagon-style fifth wheel steering on both wagons, this setup is not allowed in Manitoba, where it was seen. Both brakes and hitching systems are not designed to be used universally behind any machine with a hitch, such as this pickup.

| GLENN DICKSON PHOTO

BRAKING REQUIREMENTS

When the trailer drives the tractor

BY RON LYSENG

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Is the horse pulling the cart or is the cart pushing the horse? Either way, what's the driver doing?

In all discussions of four-wheeldrive tractors towing heavy trailers, Brian Olson makes it clear that the tractor and driver must remain in control.

The moment your trailer starts pushing the tractor, you're probably headed for a bad scene. Olson personally experienced this while conducting tests with Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute to upgrade ASABE S33.8.4 on safety chains.

"I drove the tractor 20 times in the test where we dropped a fully loaded grain cart to recover data from the disconnect on the safety chain. It only takes about 16,000 pounds of draft load to move an 875 bushel cart around a soft field. So any tractor can pull it, even a lightweight 20,000 lb. tractor.

"The issue is control. We had a 45,000 lb. four-wheel-drive dropping the cart for this test. I could not even feel the disconnect in the cab. That tells us farmers need to ensure they use the right sized tractor for these big carts."

Braking requirements can be calculated by a formula that considers speed, mass, rolling radius and surface conditions, according to Brad Stage, engineer with Mico, a world leader in building brakes for heavy equipment.

"Most of us are not capable of calculating this, so we react by feel

and experience," said Stage.

"But when you consider that speed exponentially increases the braking force needed, you must understand that high speeds require much more braking force regardless of the mass of the tractor. It's a simple concept, but one worth repeating. If a trailer is not equipped with brakes, its inertia will keep it moving faster than the tractor that's doing the braking."

The same rules of physics apply when pulling NH3 tanks with a pickup. An engineer with years of experience dealing with anhydrous carts made the following comments.

"When you talk about the grain cart pushing the tractor, the same thing happens with NH3 wagons. A large single or double tank unit can easily reach 20,000 to 30,000 lb. loaded. And it's usually towed by a three-quarter ton or one ton pickup on a gravel road out to the farm. The pickup likely only weighs 6,000 or 7,000 lb.," said the engineer, who requested anonymity.

"That's why some of them end up in the ditch with the tank upside down. The other reason is the hitch they use to drag the wagon is often just a light duty hitch two-inch receiver hitch meant to pull a 10,000 lb. camper max. NH3 tanks are so hard on hitches because of the surging of product in the tank pushing and pulling on the hitch. I have seen them rip the hitch right off the frame of the truck."

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"We're seeing more brakes on big air seeders. We've all seen those pictures on Google of an air seeder piled up at the bottom of a creek at the bottom of a hill.

"Some of our grain carts can weigh 60 to 70 tonnes when full, so there are some farmers ordering brakes in Alberta and Saskatchewan where they have big hills. The tractor just can't stop that load. They want the brakes for safety going down the hills. Finally, some companies are putting standard equipment brakes on these massive tanks they're building. And we're seeing more tractors built with a hydraulic brake system that's tied into the foot pedal."

Friesen said the Elmer's brake is a drum rather than a disc. It's a hydraulic system that's actuated from the tractor brake with electrics, hydraulics or air. The actuator for air/hydraulic is from Mico. The actuator for electric/hydraulic is from Titan.

Paul Degelman's giant M34 manure spreader offers optional brakes, but he says despite a low \$8,000 price tag, only five percent of growers buy it. It relies on four piston calipers squeezing discs on each axle.

Automatic brakes

Bourgault engineers took a fresh look at the problem of carts driving horses. Operators sometimes can't react fast enough when a heavy air cart or product wagon starts pushing the tractor. Operators need a foolproof automatic system to activate the cart brakes in those situations, said Bourgault's Rob Fagnou.

"Beginning last year, we install a standard equipment surge system

that triggers the cart brakes on the bigger carts. If the telescoping hitch on the seeder bumps up against the tractor, the module automatically throws on the cart brakes," said Fagnou, adding that the engineers stopped using the electric activation from the tractor brake lights in favour of the new automatic device.

"It only takes a slight nudge, but there are times when that nudge can turn into a crisis if the brakes aren't applied immediately. It can disorient the driver enough that he can't reach down to the brake activation switch in the tractor cab. Things get dicey very quickly."

During prototype testing in 2014, an operator with a surge equipped 7950 seeded downhill on a grades of 15 degrees, as recorded on his GPS gyroscope. Most operators feel 11 degrees downhill is risky enough.

"Installing brakes on big carts is a matter of common sense, regardless of whether or not there's legislation. It's a matter of customer safety. There may be laws coming into effect sometime down the road, but we're doing this because it's the right thing to do."

Fagnou said the system is standard equipment on the 71300 and 7950 carts and available as an option on the 7700. The L7800 uses a pump accumulator brake system. He said the 76 foot Bourgault weighs nearly 50,000 lb. The 950 and 1300 carts are 50,000 lb., as well as the weight of product and possibly liquid or anhydrous ammonia tanks behind that.

"We have disc brakes, but to get enough clamping force, we have two callipers on each rotor. The only problem we've had is when someone inadvertently left the brakes on when they went out to the field."

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BRAKE STANDARDS

One possible solution: hydraulic brakes over air

The technology to brake exists, but it's not common

BY RON LYSENG WINNIPEG BUREAU

Some North American tractor manufacturers have suggested an official standard for air brakes on farm trailers and other towed equipment, similar to European air brake standards.

One of the benefits of air brakes is that air is completely replaceable. If air leaks, the compressor can easily produce more, says Brad Stage, an engineer with Mico, a world leader in building brakes for heavy equipment.

"One drawback with an air system is the need to have large tanks and other components to actuate the trailer brakes," Stage said.

"This significantly reduces the power-to-space ratio and increases trailer weight."

If manufacturers do adopt air output as standard, a tractor's hydraulic brakes would still be used by installing a hydraulic-to-air relay modulation valve, he added.

The valve works by sensing the incoming hydraulic pressure when

FATALITIES INVOLVING FARM IMPLEMENT

There were 107 fatalities involving farm implements on North American public roads from 2003-12, but data doesn't tell the true story. Brian Olson compiled data on fatalities involving farm implements on public roads in 2013. The following is a summary of that data:

- University of Saskatchewan factsheet #17 issued January 2003: More than 100 traffic incidents a year occurred on Saskatchewan roads and highways between 1990 and 2000 involving farm equipment, resulting in 27 deaths and hundreds of others injured.
- Ohio, September 2000: There were 1,432 road accidents involving farm vehicles from 1989-92, averaging 358 accidents per year or nearly one a day.
- Iron Mountain News.com: The Wisconsin Department of Transport said nearly 1,400 crashes involving farm machinery occurred from 2005-12. Of those, 25 were fatal and 708 resulted in major injury.
- News release, Iowa Department of Transport, Sept. 17, 2007: There were 770 farm equipment crashes on public roads from 2003-06, resulting in 26 fatalities.
- University of Illinois factsheet:
 "During a seven year period, the
 Illinois Department of Transport
 indicated that at least 45 people
 have been killed in accidents
 involving farm machinery on public
 roadways."
- Illinois, Daily Review, Sept. 19, 2013: "In Illinois there are typically 275 motor vehicle collisions with farm equipment on public roadways each year."
- USDA committee 197 on agricultural safety and health, February 2009: Average number of crashes per year with farm equipment on public roads: Florida 150, Michigan 251, Iowa 309, North Carolina 300.

No data is available that's specific to braking systems.

an operator presses on the tractor's brakes. This pressure is then converted to an air pressure outlet, which allows the air system mounted on the tractor to modulate air pressure from the tractor to the trailer. Air output pressure is in proportion to hydraulic input pressure. It can be set up so the trailer has slightly more braking pressure than the tractor.

"John Deere came to us about 10 years ago with this idea. Their big four-wheel-drive tractors pull a lot of heavy scrapers and land moving equipment. They have giant disc brakes on air systems for safety. So Mico designed these hydraulic

over air relay valves.

"They handle up to 2,000 p.s.i. hydraulic pressure on the input side and 150 p.s.i. air pressure on the output side. To balance the brake bias between tractor and trailer, the hydraulic to air ratio can be adjusted anywhere from a low of 3:1 up to a high of 21:1."

The valves are built as single, dual or tandem ports, and Mico will sell directly to farmers wanting to upgrade the brake systems on their own trailers. List price is US\$1,079. The Mico part number for the single port valve is 03-469-002.

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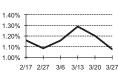


Hydraulic input from a master cylinder or hydraulic valve can deliver a proportional amount of air. The valves are built as single, dual or tandem ports and Mico will sell directly to farmers wanting to upgrade the brake systems on their own trailers. | MICO PHOTO



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LANDOWNER RIGHTS

Get advice on energy deals

Landowners warned that oil and gas regulations do not apply to wind and solar projects

BY BARB GLEN LETHBRIDGE BUREAU

READYMADE, Alta. — Negotiating with solar and wind project developers is not the same as negotiating for oil and gas development, says Alberta's Farmers Advocate Office.

Landowners need to know this, now that provincial and federal carbon policies are fostering more renewable energy proposals.

Among the differences:

- Alberta's Surface Rights Act does not apply to wind or solar
- There is no right of entry or expropriation process.
- The renewable energy sector does not have to use licensed land agents for negotiations.
- · The policies on decommissioning and reclaiming solar and wind projects have yet to be written.

Michele Del Colle, an energy, utilities and policy specialist with the Farmers Advocate Office, said farmers have been inquiring about renewable energy lease arrangements. That prompted the office to organize a series of information sessions across the province.

"Landowners in Alberta are very familiar with the oil and gas industry, the neighbours that are knocking on their door, and they were really comparing negotiations with renewable energy, with oil and gas," Del Colle said.

"That can't be farther from what is actually happening."

Participation in any solar or wind project is voluntary on the part of landowners, she added.

"If you say no when a company comes to you, that's the end of the negotiations. They can't force themselves onto your land. At the same time, if you say no, they might show up at your neighbour's door plant on your neighbour's land and you will have the impact but not the financial benefits.'

Renewable energy companies do not have to use licensed land agents, as the oil and gas sector does, so negotiators won't have to follow the professional codes of ethics that govern licensed agents.

Del Colle said legal advice is strongly advised before any landowner signs an agreement. Contracts may be in effect for many years, given the life of renewable energy projects that can span 20 years or more.

Since there is no surface rights board to set the rate for compensation if right of entry is ordered, it's best for

you to be talking with your neighbours.

MICHELE DEL COLLE

FARMERS ADVOCATE OFFICE

Landowners should view initial contract offers as merely the start of a negotiation, she said. In addition to liability and indemnity clauses, maintenance issues and termination clauses, they should consider potential tax implications, especially if the project requires rezoning.

Contracts should have a termination clause so that landowners can extract themselves and do what they wish with their land if a project doesn't get underway within a specified time.

Del Colle said many contracts request landowner confidentiality once the deal is made.

The Farmers Advocate Office advises against it.

"Really your best conversation (is) with your neighbours and your surrounding community because they're the other ones that know," she said.

"Since there is no surface rights board to set the rate for compensation if right of entry is ordered, it's best for you to be talking with your neighbours."

What's a fair price? It's up to the landowner, said Del Colle. Compensation can be offered in different ways, from full payment, annual rental, a fee based on energy production, payment for adverse effect and other options.

Any power plant expected to generate more than 10 megawatts requires approval from the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Jim Law, external relations director for the commission, said $there \, is \, a \, thorough \, review \, process \,$ of applications and opportunity for landowners to register concerns or other feedback about project proposals.

Applicants are required to conduct public consultation with anyone directly affected.

"What you say and how insistent you are about certain things can certainly influence the application that eventually comes to us," said Laws

The company has to include information on objections when it files its proposal with the Alberta Utilities Commission and must indicate whether those objections have been resolved or not.

If not, a public hearing may be triggered and held in the community affected.



ALBERTA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Jeanna Schuurman, communications specialist with the Farmers Advocate Office, said Alberta does not have policies on decommissioning or reclaiming renewable energy projects and sites, although they are being devel-

"There's a lot of uncertainty in this area," she said.

Anyone signing contracts now should ensure they include details on reclamation. Unlike oil and gas, there is no equivalent "orphan well" fund when it comes to renewables.

Similarly, there is no policy on what happens to the land if a renewable energy company goes into receivership or bankruptcy or sells a project to another com-

The Farmers Advocate Office has prepared a document, Negotiating Renewable Energy Leases, that is available at www1.agric. gov.ab.ca/\$Department/deptdocs.nsf/All/agdex16246.

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AG STOCKS MARCH 20-24

Failure of the Trump administration and Congressional Republicans to pass a new health care law created concern about their ability to deliver promised tax and regulatory reform. For the week, the TSX composite fell 0.3 percent, the Dow fell 1.5 percent, the S&P lost 1.4 percent and the Nasdaq dropped 1.2 percent.

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NAME	EXCH	CLOSE LA	ST WK
ADM	NY	45.58	44.72
AGT Food	TSX	29.97	31.83
Bunge Ltd.	NY	80.17	81.84
Ceapro Inc.	TSXV	1.33	1.37

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EXCH	CLOSE LA	ST WK
TSX	12.20	13.25
TSXV	1.81	1.85
ip TSX	9.70	9.40
s NY	40.47	41.42
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FOOD PROCESSORS

NAME	EXCH	CLOSE LA	IST WK
Hormel Foods	NY	34.52	34.92
Lamb Weston	NY	42.67	42.25
Maple Leaf	TSX	32.02	31.46
Premium Brands	TSX	81.43	79.46
Tyson Foods	NY	62.57	61.84

FARM EQUIPMENT MFG.

NAME	EXCH	CLOSE L	AST WK
AGI	TSX	50.52	52.75
AGCO Corp.	NY	59.2	60.95
Buhler Ind.	TSX	4.60	4.55
Caterpillar Inc.	NY	92.15	92.91
CNH Industrial	NY	9.69	9.74
Deere and Co.	NY	108.98	110.45

FARM INPUT SUPPLIERS

EXCH	CLOSE L	AST WK
TSX	126.84	129.34
OTC	97.65	95.88
OTC	115.44	114.86
NY	63.08	64.03
NY	79.60	81.25
TSXV	7.41	7.60
NY	113.67	112.76
NY	28.75	29.17
TSX	22.75	23.10
ADR	88.12	88.28
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TRANSPORTATION

NAME	EXCH	CLOSE L	AST WK
CN Rail	TSX	96.75	96.30
CPR	TSX	194.65	196.27

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Brandt buys Hitachi plant

SASKATOON NEWSROOM

The Brandt Group plans to buy the former Hitachi plant in Saskatoon with the intention of producing wind turbines and other green energy equipment.

The 208,000 sq. foot Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems Canada $Ltd.\,plant, which \, \overset{\cdot}{made} \, gas \, turbine$ and wind power generation equipment, closed in 2016.

Brandt, headquartered in Regina, has a binding agreement with the liquidator for the plant, the sophisticated equipment in it and its land. The price was not disclosed.



TAXABLE GOODS

GST details are tricky; when should it be collected?

MONEY IN YOUR POCKET



GRANT DIAMOND

ost sales are subject to GST/HST in Canada. However, the sale of most farm products are considered zero-rated.

Is this a pass?

The challenge is that not all farm products are zero-rated, and the list is huge.

Items that might not be zero-rated are things such as fresh-cut flowers or foliage, bedding plants, sod, living trees, gravel, stones, rock, soil and soil additives, seeds (except supplied in bulk quantities), hay and fertilizer.

While livestock sold for human consumption are zero-rated, GST/HST must be charged on animals

ONLINE MARKETING

FarmLead raises funds to offer more services

D'ARCE MCMILLAN
SASKATOON NEWSROOM

The online grain marketing platform FarmLead, led by Brennan Turner, has raised US\$6.5 million in venture capital financing.

The series Apreferred stock investment pool was led by Monsanto Growth Ventures (MGU) with additional investments from Avrio Ventures, the MaRS Innovation Accelerator Fund and Serra Ventures.

The money will help FarmLead expand into the United States, including establishing a U.S. head-quarters in Chicago.

FarmLead was founded in 2013 by chief executive officer Turner, originally from Foam Lake, Sask., and Alain Goubau, who is now the chief operating officer.

The company's headquarters are in Ottawa.

FarmLead allows buyers to post their bids online or engage directly with farmers who have listed their grain for sale.

The company now serves more than 4,000 farms across North America and has seen year-over-year increases in tonnage traded of 200 to 300 percent.

Kiersten Stead of MGV and Aki Georgacacos of Avrio Ventures will join FarmLead's board of directors.

Turner said the investment will allow users access to a larger market with more buyers and sellers.

"Our ability to increase deal flow for farmers, enabling them to negotiate better prices and other key trade terms online, allows farms to take ownership of their grain production and marketing lifecycle," he said in a news release.

Posting grain offers on FarmLead is free, while buyers and sellers pay only when a deal is finalized.

only when a deal is finalized.

not destined for the dinner plate, such as horses, mules, donkeys, peacocks, mink, fox and other furbearing animals, semen and embryos, animals sold as pets, pro-

cessed wool, furs, animal hides, feathers and down, beeswax and maple sugar candy.

Farmers will have to collect GST/HST on sales of all of these items.

To make it more complex, there are exceptions to these exceptions.

Under the legislation, a farmer engaged in a commercial activity in Canada with annual sales of GST/HST-taxable goods and services in excess of \$30,000 in the preceding year is required to register for GST.

So what is commercial activity? The definition in the Excise Tax Act is quite broad.

It includes any Canadian business that is carried on, any adventure of concern in the nature of trade and any supply of real property.

The definition excludes three types of activities, including hobby farms where there is no reasonable expectation of profit and farms where the chief source of income was not from farming, such as off-farm income. This is because they have no reasonable expectation of profit.

It is crucial that farmers file consistently for income tax and GST to prove they are not a hobby farm.

If HST/GST weren't enough of a pain, when are you on the hook for

paying it?

In this complex world of agreements, deposits, pre-payments and invoice issue dates, when exactly are you required to pay?

For example, GST must be collected on a deposit if it is part of an agreement. If I put a deposit down to build a barn, the GST must be collected on the deposit as long as a contract to build the barn is in place.

contract to build the barn is in place.
The liability to pay GST occurs on
the earlier of:

- (a) the date of payment
- (b) the date invoice issued
- (c) the date payment becomes due under an agreement in writing

Canada Revenue Agency treats invoices as if they were issued on

the earlier of:

- (a) the date of issue
- (b) date of invoice
- (c) the date the invoice would have been issued if there were no undue delay in doing so

That's a pretty wide latitude, and as most farmers and business owners might validly ask, how can Canada Revenue honestly determine when an invoice should have been issued?

Whatever you choose to do, it is always prudent to discuss this with your tax professional before making a decision.

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Cattle Slaughter

Canada

536,548

515,008

+4.2

Chicago Futures (\$US/cwt)

Close Close Trend Mar 24 Mar 17

119.33

109.65

105.45

105.25

106.03

131.33

131.63

130.38

131.05

129.88

Mar 23

Mar 10

Beef Cutout (\$/cwt)

Sheep (\$/lb.) & Goats (\$/head)

Mar 13

2.40-2.60

2.39-2.58

2.18-2.46

1.93-2.05

Mar 20

3.05-3.60

2.80-3.40

2.55-2.92

2.40-2.60

2.25-2.40

2.75-3.05

1.25-1.50

1.30-1.65

95-180

Ontario Stockyards Inc.

Shipping March

Sask. Sheep Dev. Bd.

Fed. inspections only

Beaver Hill Auction Services Ltd.

Fed. inspections only

+2.77

+3.20

+2.35

+2.03

+1.90

+2.05

+3.95

+3.42

+4.23

Mar 3

274-32

U.S.

6,395,987

6,051,790

Year

135.10

125.53

121.35

120.73

120.15

160.67

155.58

154.85

154.73

153.45

Yr. ago

293.58

Feb 27

2.35-2.53

2.30-2.48

2.00-2.30

1.88-1.95

Mar 13

3.32-3.50

2.92-3.50

2.30-2.70

2.32-2.47

2.10-2.20

1.25-1.50

1.25-1.50

95-160

1.90

n/a

Mar 16 Yr. ago 222.36 226.18

To Mar 18

To date 2017

To date 2016

Live Cattle

122.10

112.85

107.80

107.28

107.93

133.38 135.58

133.80

135.28

134.78

US Choice (US\$) 222.28

Cdn AAA (C\$) 274.76

Wool sheep

55-69 lb

70-85 lb

86-105 lb

New lambs

65-80 lb

 $80-95 \, lb$

>95 lb

>110 lb

Sheep

Rams

Kids

Feeder lambs

Wool lambs < 80 lb

Hair lambs <95 lb

Wool lambs 81-95 lb

Wool lambs 96-115 lb

> 106 lb

USDA

Feeder Cattle

Apr

Jun

Aug

Oct

Dec

Mar

Apr

May

Aug

Sep

% Change 17/16

CATTLE & SHEEP

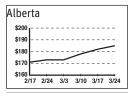
(average \$/cwt) Alberta 2/17 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24

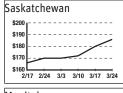
Steers 600-700 lb.



Mani	toba
\$200	r
\$195	
\$190	/
\$185	
\$180	
2/	17 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24

Heifers 500-600 lb. (average \$/cwt)





Man	itoba
\$185	r
\$180	/-
\$175	<i> </i>
\$170	
\$165	<u> </u>
2.	/17 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24

Canadian Beef Production

million lb. YTD % change 373.8 Fed 0 Non-fed 84.0 +4 Total beef 457.8 0 Canfax

> EXCHANGE RATE MARCH 27 \$1 Cdn. = \$0.7481 U.S. \$1 U.S. = \$1.3367 Cdn.

Slaughter Cattle (\$/cwt)						
Grade A	Live Mar 17 - Mar 23	Previous Mar 10 - Mar 16	Year ago	Rail Mar 17 - Mar 23	Previous Mar 10 - Mar 16	
Steers Alta. Ont.	169.00 149.74-164.53	165.00-168.00 148.98-164.63	167.91 168.71	283.50-283.75 260.00-267.00	278.00-280.50 258.00-260.00	
Heifers Alta. Ont. *Live f.o.b.	n/a 144.19-164.73 feedlot, rail f.o.b. pl	165.00 147.16-163.12 ant.	169.48 166.69	284.50-285.00 259.00-266.00	278.00-280.50 257.00-259.00 Canfax	

Feeder Cattle (\$/cwt)					
Sask.	Man.	Alta.	B.C.		
154-159	150-163	156-164	142-158		
157-169	154-172	161-174	156-172		
168-190	166-189	175-190	170-190		
187-209	185-207	192-210	186-212		
203-224	197-225	205-226	190-221		
211-234	204-240	214-238	194-230		
146-157	147-161	150-162	143-155		
154-169	153-171	156-173	149-168		
166-183	165-183	165-184	160-178		
177-196	170-194	175-195	170-194		
180-201	175-204	181-206	175-194		
181-210	176-217	190-215	180-210		
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	Sask. 154-159 157-169 168-190 187-209 203-224 211-234 146-157 154-169 166-183 177-196 180-201	Sask. Man. 154-159 150-163 157-169 154-172 168-190 166-189 187-209 185-207 203-224 197-225 211-234 204-240 146-157 147-161 154-169 153-171 166-183 165-183 177-196 170-194 180-201 175-204	Sask. Man. Alta. 154-159 150-163 156-164 157-169 154-172 161-174 168-190 166-189 175-190 187-209 185-207 192-210 203-224 197-225 205-226 211-234 204-240 214-238 146-157 147-161 150-162 154-169 153-171 156-173 166-183 165-183 165-184 177-196 170-194 175-195 180-201 175-204 181-206		

Average Carcass Weight				
Canfax	Mar 18/17	Mar 20/16	YTD 17	YTD 16
Steers	912	941	915	940
Heifers	829	869	827	854
Cows	753	788	739	784
Bulls	1,027	1,016	1,051	1,043

U.S. Cash cattle (\$US/cwt)				
Slaughter cattle (35-65% cl	hoice) Steers	Heifers		
National	130.12	130.79		
Kansas	128.63	130.00		
Nebraska	134.00	n/a		
Nebraska (dressed)	205.00	204.00		
Feeders No. 1 (800-900 lb)	Steers	Trend		
South Dakota `	123.25-140.75	+2/+5		
Billings	125.00-131.25	n/a		
Dodge City	127.00-132.40	n/a		

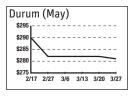
Cattle / Beef Trade				
	Exports	% from 2016		
Sltr. cattle to U.S. (head)	94,897(1)	-18.6		
Feeder C&C to U.S. (head)	21,229(1)	-28.3		
Total beef to U.S. (tonnes)	16,981 (3)	-16.2		
Total beef, all nations (tonnes)	24,723(3)	-5.3		
	Imports	% from 2016		
Sltr. cattle from U.S. (head)	Imports n/a (2)	% from 2016 n/a		
Sltr. cattle from U.S. (head) Feeder C&C from U.S. (head)				
,	n/a (2)	n/a		
Feeder C&C from U.S. (head)	n/a (2) 5,407 (2)	n/a +190.9		

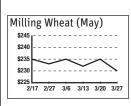
Agriculture Canada

To Mar 18

GRAINS

ICE Futures Canada Barley (May) \$140 \$135 \$130





Cash Prices

2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17

Canola (cash - May)

Cash Prices

Pulse and Special Crops

Mar 24

48.29

42.00

29.80

44.19

40.69

22.41

18.14

8.06

7.65 5.53

15.17

28.30

33.67

28.53

20.32

35.67

31.58

21.58

25.50

Mar 17

48.29

42.00

29.80

39.60

44.19

40.69

22.16

18.14

8.06

8.33

7.65

5.53

15.17

28.30

33.67

28.53

20.32

35.67

31.58

21.58

25.50

Feb 24

52.83

45.11

37.44

48.15

45.55

36.17

23.78

18.14

8.96

9.00

8.85

5.53

14.83

28.30

33.33

28.53

19.18

35.67

34.92

27.58

28.75

Year ago

474.50

479.20

Source: STAT Publishing, which solicits bids from AGT Inc.,

Canpulse Foods, CGF Brokerage, Maviga NA, Parrish and Heimbecker, Scoular Canada and Simpson Seeds. Prices for

dressed product at plant.

Laird lentils, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Laird lentils, No. 2 (¢/lb)

Laird lentils, Xtra 3 (¢/lb)

Eston lentils, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Eston lentils, No. 2 (¢/lb)

Eston lentils, Xtra 3 (¢/lb)

Sm. Red lentils, No. 2 (¢/lb)

Sm. Red lentils, Xtra 3 (¢/lb)

Peas, sm. yellow No. 2 (\$/bu)

Mustard, yellow, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Mustard, Oriental, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Mustard, Brown, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Peas, medium. yellow No. 1 (\$/bu) 8.33

Peas, green No. 1 (\$/bu)

Feed peas (\$/bu)

Maple peas (\$/bu)

Canaryseed (¢/lb)

Desi chickpeas (¢/lb)

Kabuli, 8mm, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Kabuli, 7mm, No. 1 (¢/lb)

B-90 ckpeas, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Richlea lentils, No. 1 (¢/lb)

Mar 22 Mar 15 Year Ago No. 3 Oats Saskatoon (\$/tonne) 172.98 179.36 128.13 Snflwr NuSun Enderlin ND (¢/lb) 15.05

U.S. Grain Cash Prices (\$US/bu.)

USDA	Mar 24
No. 1 DNS (14%) Montana elevator	4.84
No. 1 DNS (13%) Montana elevator	4.44
No. 1 Durum (13%) Montana elevator	6.13
No. 1 Malt barley Montana elevator	2.88
No. 2 Feed barley Montana elevator	2.28
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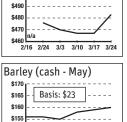
Grain Futures

510.90

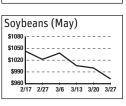
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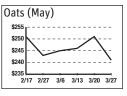
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Feed Wheat (Leth \$175 2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 Flax (elevator bid-



Chicago Nearby Futures (\$us/100 bu.)			
Corn (May)			
\$390			
\$380			
\$370			
\$360			
\$350 2/17 2/27 3/6 3/13 3/20 3/27			





Minneapolis Nearby Futures (\$us/100bu.)
Spring Wheat (May)
\$560
\$550
\$540
\$530
\$520 2/17 2/27 3/6 3/13 3/20 3/27

2/10 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24			
	USDA		
Canola (basis - May)	No. 1 DN	NS (14%) Mon	tana eleva
\$-151		NS (13%) Mon	
\$-20		rum (13%) M	
\$-25	No. 1 Ma	alt barley Mon	tana eleva
\$-30		ed barley Mon	
\$-35 \$-35	110.210	ca barrey 14101.	ituriu cicve
2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24			
			Grain Fu
Feed Wheat (Lethbridge)			
\$180,		Mar 24	Mar 1
\$175	Wagic	Mai 24 E Canola (\$,	
\$170	May	488.70	505.40
\$165	Jul	494.10	510.90
\$160	Nov	485.40	492.70
2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24	Ian	490.80	492.70
	,	E Milling W	
Flandalanatan bid Cita an	May	230.00	235.00
Flax (elevator bid- S'toon)	Jul	230.00	236.00
\$500	Oct	225.00	230.00
\$490		E Durum W	
\$480	May	281.00	282.00
\$470	Jul	280.00	281.00
\$460 n/a		E Barley (\$/	
2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24	May	137.00	137.00
	Tul	138.00	138.00
Barley (cash - May)		Wheat (\$U	
\$170	May	4.2075	4.3025
\$165 - Basis: \$23	Tul	4.3475	4.4550
\$160	Sep	4.5000	4.6075
\$155	Dec	4.6975	4.7950
\$150		Oats (\$US	
2/16 2/24 3/3 3/10 3/17 3/24	May	2.4050	2.5075
	Iul	2.3050	2.4125
Canola and barley are basis	Sep	2.2650	2.3475
par region. Feed wheat basis		Soybeans (
Lethbridge. Basis is best bid.	May	9.7150	9.9950
	Jul	9.8175	10.0950
	Aug	9.8375	10.0330
Chicago Nearby	Sep	9.7650	10.1100
Futures (\$US/100 bu.)		Soy Oil (¢U	
1 4(4163 (\$43/100 114.)	Man	22.20	20.74

Jul	494.10	510.90	-16.80	479.20
Nov	485.40	492.70	-7.30	480.90
Jan	490.80	497.90	-7.10	484.00
WpgICI	E Milling W	heat (\$/ton	ne)	
May	230.00	235.00	-5.00	239.00
Jul	230.00	236.00	-6.00	239.00
Oct	225.00	230.00	-5.00	236.00
WpgICI	E Durum W	heat (\$/tor	me)	
May	281.00	282.00	-1.00	293.00
Jul	280.00	281.00	-1.00	285.00
WpgICI	E Barley (\$/	tonne)		
May	137.00	137.00	0.00	176.00
Jul	138.00	138.00	0.00	178.00
Chicago	Wheat (\$U	S/bu.)		
May	4.2075	4.3025	-0.0950	4.7100
Jul	4.3475	4.4550	-0.1075	4.7800
Sep	4.5000	4.6075	-0.1075	4.8800
Dec	4.6975	4.7950	-0.0975	5.0200
Chicago	Oats (\$US	/bu.)		
May		2.5075	-0.1025	1.9000
Jul	2.3050	2.4125	-0.1075	2.0025
Sep	2.2650	2.3475	-0.0825	2.0650
Chicago	Soybeans ((\$US/bu.)		
May	9.7150		-0.2800	9.0900
Jul	9.8175	10.0950	-0.2775	9.1600
Aug	9.8375	10.1100	-0.2725	9.1825
Sep	9.7650	10.0125	-0.2475	9.1825
	Soy Oil (¢t			
May	32.29	32.74	-0.45	33.63
Jul	32.55	33.02	-0.47	33.86
Aug	32.63	33.10	-0.47	33.94
	Soy Meal (ton)	
May	315.3	326.6	-11.3	272.1
Jul	318.6	330.0	-11.4	274.5
Aug	319.3	329.4	-10.1	275.6
Chicago	Corn (\$US	/bu.)		
May	3.5575	3.6350	-0.0775	3.7050
Jul	3.6350	3.7125	-0.0775	3.7475
Sep	3.7125	3.7850	-0.0725	3.7950
Dec	3.8000	3.8625	-0.0625	3.8750
Minnea	polis Whea	t (\$US/bu.))	
May	5.3300	5.4825	-0.1525	5.1775
Jul	5.3975	5.5275	-0.1300	5.2550
Sep	5.4650	5.5825	-0.1175	5.3525
Dec	5.5625	5.6600	-0.0975	5.4875
Kansas (City Wheat	(\$US/bu.)		
May	4.2125	4.4525	-0.2400	4.7700
Jul	4.3425	4.5725	-0.2300	4.8800
Sep	4.4925	4.7175	-0.2250	5.0175
Dec	4.7150	4.9200	-0.2050	5.2125
	11.1200	1.0=00	0.2000	0

Canadian Exports & Crush

Mar 12

284.3

27.9

1.8

0.7

150.4

87.9

Mar 15

180.9

0.1

(1,000 MT) Mar 19

(1,000 MT) Mar 22

Canola crush 208.3

238.6

28.1

89.4

16.4

256.0

76.8

14.1

Wheat

Durum

Oats

Barley

Canola

Lentils

Flax

Peas

Total

to date

8,395.2

2,621.8

852.8

713.4

218.7

6,851.2

2,433.0

621.4

To date Last year 6,004.4

Last

year

10,265.1

3,060.0

707.1

656.7

244.5

6,138.2

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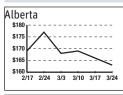
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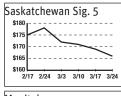
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HOGS

Due to wide reporting and collection methods, it is misleading to compare hog prices between provinces.

Index 100 Hog Price Trends (\$/ckg)





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\$185	ı					
\$180						
\$175	r		`	<u> </u>		
\$170						
\$165	Ļ	-	-	-	-	_
2	/17	2/24	3/3	3/10	3/17	3/24

Fixed contract \$/ckg								
(Hams	Maple Leaf	Thunder						
Marketing)	Sig 5	Creek Pork						
Week ending	Mar 24	Mar 24						
Apr 22-Apr 29	160.11-162.16	156.88-157.36						
May 06-May 13	163.82-167.56	163.17-171.17						
May 20-May 27	173.05-177.92	171.48-173.92						
Jun 03-Jun 10	174.43-176.06	174.23-175.77						
Jun 17-Jun 24	179.80-183.70	181.00-181.25						
Jul 01-Jul 08	182.42-183.42	179.70-179.87						
Jul 15-Jul 22	175.92-180.91	176.74-176.77						
Jul 29-Aug 05	175.97-178.02	178.07-178.60						
Aug 12-Aug 19	174.46-177.78	166.08-176.21						
Aug 26-Sep 02	168.41-169.52	162.18-171.11						

To date 2017 To date 2016 % change 17/16	Cana 4,505,4 4,501,4 +0.1	.85 25,450 .88 24,900 +2	0,326 0,266
	Hogs	\$/ckg	
Alta. Index 100 Sask. Sig. 5	163.40 166.39	Man. Index 100 Que. Index 100 *incl. wt	172.00 175.90 . premiums

Hog Slaughter

	Hogs / F	Pork Trade					
	Export	% from 2016	Import	% from 2016			
Sltr. hogs to/fm U.S. (head) Total pork to/fm U.S. (tonnes) Total pork, all nations (tonnes) (1) to Mar 11/17 (2) to Jan 31/16	178,167 (1) 32,025 (2) 95,904 (2) (3) to Mar 18/17	-17.0 -17.3 -6.6	n/a 36,662 (3) 40,881 (3)	n/a +2.0 -0.4 Agriculture Canada			
Chicago Hogs Lean (\$US/cwt)							

				ago nogo		-1 - 7			
	Close Mar 24	Close Mar 17	Trend	Year ago		Close Mar 24	Close Mar 17	Trend	Year ago
Apr	67.28	69.05	-1.77	69.93	Aug	75.73	77.63	-1.90	81.13
May	72.23	73.63	-1.40	79.78	Oct	67.13	67.85	-0.72	69.93
lun	75.75	77.33	-1.58	82.45	Dec	63.28	63.48	-0.20	64.18
Jul	75.78	77.48	-1.70	81.88	Feb	66.13	66.40	-0.27	66.70

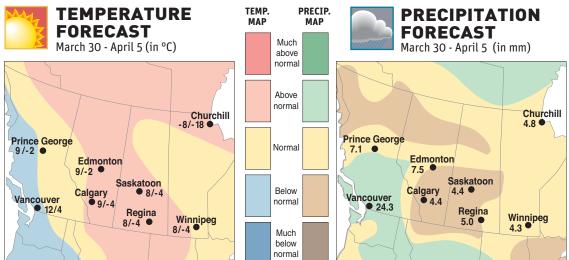
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(000 tonnes)	Mar 19	Mar 12	YTD	Year Ago
Alta.	236.7	301.0	9,276.1	8,823.2
Sask.	469.5	360.9	14,650.4	14,489.8
Man.	123.7	65.6	4,946.4	5,001.2

FROZEN LANDING

Canada geese returned to southern climes earlier this month only to find the water still frozen as they looked for landing places on a slough near Namaka, Alta. | KEVIN LINK PHOTO





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SASKATCHEWAN							
	Tempe last v High			cipitatio ce Nov.			
Assiniboia	16.2	-9.0	0.0	40.8	60		
Broadview	12.9	-15.2	0.3	62.7	66		
Eastend	13.6	-13.2 -7.5	0.3	58.5	64		
Estevan	14.1	-13.0	0.0	87.5	96		
Kindersley	13.2	-8.0	0.7	49.2	84		
Maple Creek	17.1	-7.9	0.2	65.1	81		
Meadow Lake	4.7	-21.1	8.3	54.7	68		
Melfort	5.7	-18.4	4.2	60.5	79		
Nipawin	1.4	-24.8	9.2	80.8	98		
North Battleford	5.0	-11.5	7.5	57.8	81		
Prince Albert	2.5	-20.3	7.6	85.9	107		
Regina	13.7	-10.8	0.0	29.5	40		
Rockglen	15.0	-9.9	0.2	70.8	99		
Saskatoon	11.1	-11.2	0.8	46.5	68		
Swift Current	15.7	-8.8	0.0	33.3	48		
Val Marie	17.0	-8.9	0.0	48.8	75		
Yorkton	12.5	-16.5	0.2	43.2	46		
Wynyard	12.4	-15.1	0.7	52.9	65		

ALBERTA

	Temperature last week			cipitati c ce Nov.	
	High	Low	mm	mm	%
Brooks	18.3	-5.8	0.5	60.0	100
Calgary	13.9	-6.3	0.9	63.4	100
Cold Lake	7.8	-14.2	17.0	83.3	101
Coronation	11.8	-8.1	10.2	51.0	78
Edmonton	8.2	-9.3	0.2	60.2	69
Grande Prairie	5.8	-20.3	1.0	95.4	87
High Level	2.3	-27.0	3.1	37.5	35
Lethbridge	15.3	-8.4	0.0	39.5	52
Lloydminster	6.6	-11.2	11.7	48.5	63
Medicine Hat	17.5	-5.2	0.0	61.5	91
Milk River	17.1	-7.0	0.0	60.8	66
Peace River	6.7	-20.5	1.5	60.8	60
Pincher Creek	11.4	-8.4	0.2	118.4	89
Red Deer	10.7	-7.6	0.6	69.5	86
Stavely	12.0	-6.5	0.0	73.4	84
Vegreville	7.5	-13.7	8.2	51.1	70

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	Tempe last v	veek	sin	cipitatio	1				
	High	Low	mm	mm	%				
Brandon	6.7	-14.6	0.6	130.7	134				
Dauphin	7.6	-16.1	0.0	68.7	69				
Gimli	5.9	-14.6	0.0	97.7	100				
Melita	6.4	-17.4	0.0	62.8	66				
Morden	6.7	-11.6	0.0	116.6	109				
Portage La Prairie	6.4	-13.0	0.0	94.1	87				
Swan River	7.3	-25.1	2.2	74.0	70				
Winnipeg	6.7	-12.6	0.0	82.3	79				
BRITISH COLUMBIA									
Cranbrook	11.0	-6.1	5.4	227.0	122				
Fort St. John	6.8	-18.1	16.0	138.3	115				
Kamloops	14.0	-5.1	2.2	115.8	100				
Kelowna	12.5	-6.7	6.8	107.7	68				
Prince George	10.6	-10.4	4.6	177.0	83				



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