



SEED BUZZ

The newsletter for WSCIA, which certifies small grains and pulse crops

2024 Conference

Thank you to everyone who made the trip to Yakima for our Annual Conference. We hope you enjoyed your time and the opportunity to visit the WSDA Seed Lab. Seed testing is such a critical component to our work that we wanted to highlight the work done by WSDA Seed Technicians and Registered Seed Technologists. It was certainly a fun couple of days getting updates from the breeders, crop and seed care presentations, plus the food was really great this year. A special thanks to all the presenters and sponsors for this conference. There is no way we could put on this kind of event without your support!



Ed Driskill, Key Account Manager with Albaugh LLC

MANAGER CORNER

Chris Loomis has joined the team as our WSCIA Certification Supervisor and is looking forward to learning all the in's and out's of certification in Washington State. Chris grew up in eastern WA on a dryland wheat farm so has a strong respect for our regions growers and is excited to get his boots back in the field soon.

- Aaron Jeschke, WSCIA Manager



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SPRING 2025 ORDER FORM

IS AVAILABLE AT WASHINGTONCROP.COM UNDER: BUY CERTIFIED SEED

FOUNDATION SEED UPDATE

After getting all Fall orders out the door, Foundation Seed switched gears and took time for some equipment maintenance and inventory organization; moving Spring crops into the seed house and the rest of the lingering Fall crops out to our storage building for winter. At the same time, we were gearing up for our Annual Conference at the beginning of November. Once we had successfully completed our Annual Conference, members of Washington Crop Improvement also attended the Tri-State Convention. With November and most of December flying by, we are again in full cleaning mode getting Spring crops ready for sale.

PRICE UPDATE!!

We wanted to extend a special offer for Foundation Seed before the end of the year. Pricing for Foundation Seed Current Season Requests will be going up in the new year to \$0.75/lb. However, we will honor the old price up until a deadline of January 31st, 2025. I want to highlight that we have ample amounts of Bush and Butch CL+ Spring Wheat and wanted to give this opportunity to everyone to add to their order before the price change. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to any of us at WSCIA.

I hope everyone is having a great winter, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

- Cheyan James, WSCIA FSS Manager

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Working through education, instruction and promotion, WSCIA is the official Washington State agency for foundation seed and for seed certification of Buckwheat, Chickpea, Field Pea, Lentil, Sorghum, Small Grain and Forest Reproductive Material. Certification of seed of Grass, Dry Edible Bean and Soybean is conducted by the Washington State Department of Agriculture.



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