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Tony Richards

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I want to thank you for growing dry edible beans in 2026. Harvest season is upon us, and the region runs the gamut for production. USDA crop condition report as of September 8, showed Minnesota good to excellent holding at 65% and North Dakota good to excellent at 33%.

The North Central Bean Dealers Association held their annual pre-harvest meeting, August 12-13 in Walker, MN. Their event marks the end of summer and the beginning of our fall harvest. In this fall BeanGrower magazine, we focus on two dry bean dealer founders that we recently lost. Doug Steele (Steele and Company) and Lyle Ackerman (Ackerman Marketing Inc). On behalf of the farmers in the Northharvest region, we offer our condolences to their families, friends, and organizations.

I was in Scottsbluff, NE in late June for our USA Pulses board meeting. Congratulations to Eric Jorgenson from Leeds, ND for being elected as an officer on their board. We will spotlight USA Pulses in this fall issue. The Northharvest board invested in this organization to guide us federally in international and domestic marketing. We look forward to the expanded business acumen we will receive.

Sincerely,

President, Tony Richards

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FOUR DECADES OF GROWING AG LITERACY

Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom Celebrates 40 Years
of Connecting Students, Educators and Agriculture

Written by: Emma Rieke

Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom (MAITC) began with a straightforward mission: increase agricultural literacy by helping students understand the role agriculture plays in their everyday lives.

Forty years later, the classrooms, technology and agriculture itself have changed. But the mission has not.

“The fact that the mission was intentionally focused and the vision was supported throughout Minnesota agriculture, what started 40 years ago is still the focus,” said Ann Marie Ward, executive director of Minnesota

Agriculture in the Classroom. “This organization has truly kept the main thing, the main thing.”

Today, that mission reaches classrooms across Minnesota. MAITC is present in 88% of the state’s public school districts, and in fiscal year 2026, the organization reached 169,553 students – a 7% increase from the previous year.

Ward credits much of that growth to the educators themselves.

“The biggest driver of that truly is teachers sharing what resources they are using with other teachers,” she said.

And some of those resources have been there from the beginning. In its first year, MAITC developed the idea for a magazine-style classroom resource connected to academic lessons that students could also take home and share with their families. Today, Minnesota AgMag is available for students in kindergarten through sixth grade, with fall and spring issues for each grade level. Distribution has doubled over the past six years.

The magazine is just one example of how MAITC has maintained its original mission while changing how it reaches students and teachers. Resources have expanded to include agriculture-focused maps, commodity materials, posters, placemats and online versions that are free and easily accessible.

Professional development has grown, too. Educators can participate in summer teacher tours, conferences, online professional development and more, all designed to connect classroom curriculum with firsthand agricultural learning. MAITC also provides agricultural literacy grants and uses an educator-driven advisory team to ensure its programming reflects what teachers actually need.

For Ward, giving educators practical, relevant resources is key to reaching students.

“Providing free, easy-to-use, easily accessible resources that help educators meet their goal of connecting with academic standards and connecting those lessons to agriculture really brings the lessons to life,” she said.

Connecting classrooms and agriculture

Longtime agricultural partners have played an important role in making those resources and experiences possible.

Northarvest Bean Growers Association has supported Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom since its early years, helping connect educators and students with the people, research and resources behind dry edible beans.

“Investors literally fuel this work, allowing us to create the resources and opportunities this team uses to train and support educators,” Ward said. “Our partners are not just a list of names we appreciate for their financial gifts. They are our content experts, the farmers we feature, the industry researchers and advocates that open their doors for tours and provide workshops and experiences that bring agriculture to life.”

Northarvest Education and Sponsorship Director Jennifer Hansen said those connections have become increasingly important as fewer people have direct ties to farming.

“As the number of farmers decreases, so does the knowledge about how and where our food is grown,” Hansen said. “Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom teaches students about products grown in their state.”

Hansen also sees agricultural literacy as an opportunity to influence the choices students make, noting that if students understand how food is grown, or grow it themselves, they’re more likely to make healthy choices.

Northarvest’s partnership extends beyond financial support. Ward pointed to connections with Minnesota bean growers, shared educational resources and workshops as ways the two organizations have worked together to connect farms, classrooms and even school cafeterias.

Agriculture is everywhere

Agricultural literacy goes far beyond understanding where food comes from.



"The roots and mission of this organization have not changed in 40 years, and I hope they say that when they celebrate 80 years."



Ward said students are entering a world in which agriculture increasingly intersects with technology, engineering, genetics, finance, natural resource management, transportation and other fields.

"There are very few things you touch on any given day that are not connected to agriculture and natural resources," she said.

That makes agricultural literacy important even for students who may never consider themselves part of agriculture. Today's students will become tomorrow's workforce, community leaders, decision-makers and voters.

"Agriculture is everywhere, and there is a place for everyone in agriculture," she said.

MAITC has continued finding new ways to make those connections. Ward points to Farm Camp Minnesota, an immersive program for students in grades 5-12, was launched during the COVID-19 pandemic after educators asked for ways to give students shared experiences even when they had to happen virtually.

In one early Farm Camp experience, students in northern Minnesota connected with a southern Minnesota soybean grower and a plant geneticist. The discussion moved from soybean varieties to international trade, tariffs, local agriculture and careers.

Ward recalled the educator saying the experience provided more to her students' learning than a collection of textbooks could have.

The program has continued to grow – and even includes transportation grants that help remove barriers to in-person participation.

The next 40 years

As MAITC celebrates 40 years, Ward sees its history of partnerships as one of the strongest foundations for what comes next.

"The roots and mission of this organization have not changed in 40 years, and I hope they say that when they celebrate 80 years," she said.

The organization's strategic goals now center on deepening relationships, enhancing student understanding, maintaining financial stability and using data to guide its work. The objective is not simply growth for growth's sake though, Ward said, but sustainable growth that keeps agricultural literacy at the center.

Hansen is confident in the people leading that effort.

"MAITC has incredible people running the program," she said. "They are innovative, knowledgeable and dedicated to teaching students every aspect of farming and commodities. They are truly passionate."

Four decades after MAITC first began connecting agriculture with Minnesota classrooms, the tools available to do that work may look different, but the mission remains remarkably familiar: give educators the tools to bring agriculture to life and help students better understand the world around them. ■



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RESEARCH IN THE FIELD

NDSU Extension Field Days Give Dry Bean Growers Practical Tools for Managing Fertility, Weeds and Disease

Written by: Emma Rieke

Northharvest Bean Growers Association-sponsored Field Days gave dry bean growers across North Dakota and Minnesota a chance to take the latest research out of the report and into the field this summer.

North Dakota Field Days were held July 21 in Forest River, July 22 in Hatton, and Aug. 20 in Carrington, along with an Aug. 28 field day at Central Lakes College in Staples, Minnesota. Growers heard from NDSU Extension specialists about nitrogen fertility, weed management and disease management, while also getting an up-close look at dry bean variety trials.

For NDSU Extension Agronomist Ana Carcedo, one of the biggest messages was that more inputs do not automatically mean better results.

“I hope growers leave thinking about how to make every input work more efficiently,” Carcedo said. “Whether we are talking about nitrogen, inoculants, herbicides, fungicides or seed treatments, the goal is not necessarily to use more inputs. It is to use the right tool, at the right rate and at the right time.”

Carcedo shared results from more than 30 trials in North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota examining nitrogen management. The research found that inoculated dry beans generally did not benefit from nitrogen rates above 40 pounds per acre, while noninoculated trials peaked at around 100 pounds per acre. Excessive nitrogen can also delay maturity and increase the incidence and severity of white mold.

Weed management was another focus. NDSU Extension Weed Specialist Joe Ikley discussed kochia and waterhemp and the challenges growers face as herbicide resistance increases without many new weed-control options entering the toolbox.

“Sometimes the most important message is that there is not a new product coming to solve the problem,” Carcedo said. “Growers need to protect the herbicide options that remain effective and use integrated management strategies.”

NDSU Extension Plant Pathologist Sam Markell covered diseases including rust, white mold, Rhizoctonia and Fusarium root rots, common bacterial blight and soybean cyst nematode. Current research continues to evaluate fungicides, seed treatments and application strategies. For white mold, for example, years of research at the Carrington Research Extension Center have helped refine not only which fungicides can provide control, but how and when they should be applied.

Growers also toured variety trials with NDSU Dry Bean Breeder Juan Osorno, allowing them to compare varieties side by side and see upcoming varieties before they reach the market.

One topic became especially relevant as the summer progressed: drought and heat stress. Carcedo said researchers saw fields where plants flowered but failed to set pods under stressful conditions. Growers frequently asked what they could do to minimize drought damage.

While there is no single solution, Carcedo pointed to improving soil health as an important long-term strategy to improve water infiltration, water-holding capacity and overall resilience. Those conversations are also part of what makes field days valuable.

“There is a big difference between seeing a graph or reading a recommendation and standing in a field with the researcher who conducted the work,” Carcedo said.

The exchange goes both ways. Growers can ask how recommendations apply to their individual fields, while researchers hear firsthand about the challenges farmers are facing.

“Management recommendations are rarely one-size-fits-all,” Carcedo said. “That interaction helps guide future research just as much as it helps us communicate the research we already have.” ■

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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

Northarvest's Partnership with USA Pulses Gives Dry Bean Growers a Stronger National Voice on Domestic and International Priorities

Written by: Emma Rieke

For years, dry bean growers have had national representation for developing international markets. But when it came to domestic priorities, from federal policy and research to promotion and regulatory reform, Northarvest Bean Growers Association saw a gap.

A new partnership with USA Pulses is designed to help fill it.

Northarvest became the first dry bean grower association to join the USA Pulses Coalition in July 2025, bringing dry edible beans into a broader organization representing pulse crops and creating new opportunities for collaboration at the national level.

“The major issues facing pea, lentil and chickpea growers are very similar to those facing dry bean growers, including expanding domestic consumption, building international markets, funding research, improving risk management tools and addressing trade barriers,” said USA Pulses CEO Tim McGreevy.

Those shared priorities helped drive the evolution of the U.S. pea and lentil organization into USA Pulses and opened the door for dry beans to join the coalition.

FILLING A GAP FOR DRY BEANS

According to Northarvest Executive Director Mitch Coulter, understanding the move starts with understanding how the dry bean industry has traditionally been represented.

The U.S. Dry Bean Council serves the industry as an international trade council, working with the USDA





On June 18, 2025, board members from the USA Dry Pea & Lentil Council, American Pulse Association, and U.S. Pea & Lentil Trade Association visited with the Northarvest Bean Growers Association Board in Fargo, ND.

Foreign Agricultural Service on international market development. Federal compliance requirements associated with that work, however, limit its ability to engage in domestic advocacy.

“The Northarvest Bean Growers Association was receiving international support through the U.S. Dry Bean Council, but there was no federal advocacy association in the dry bean industry to provide domestic support for dry beans,” Coulter said.

Northarvest saw a potential model in the pea, lentil and chickpea industry, which had established a structure that allowed domestic efforts to remain separate from

international work, subject to USDA-FAS requirements. That ultimately led to the USA Pulses structure, which brings international and domestic priorities under a broader organization while maintaining the required separation between those activities.

“At its core, USA Pulses is a national organization working to create opportunities for the people who grow, process and market U.S. pulse crops,” McGreevy said.

Its work includes domestic and international market development, federal policy, production and end-use research, nutrition initiatives, trade, transportation, risk management and regulation.

Northarvest’s partnership with USA Pulses brings dry bean growers into a broader national coalition working on market development, research, nutrition and federal policy.



For Northharvest growers, Coulter said that means another voice working on priorities specific to the domestic side of the industry.

“USA Pulses gives our farmers a voice for domestic research, promotion and marketing, farmer and processor insurance, and regulatory reform,” he said.

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

Bringing pulse crops together can also give relatively small commodities a larger presence nationally.

“Individually, these are relatively small crops compared with corn, soybeans or wheat,” McGreevy said. “Working together gives pulse crops a larger voice with policymakers, agencies, researchers, food companies and international customers while still recognizing the individual needs and markets of each crop.”

Northharvest brings significant dry bean experience to that collective voice. The association represents more than 2,400 farm families in North Dakota and Minnesota, where growers harvested 857,600 acres of dry beans valued at \$516 million in 2025, according to McGreevy.

“But it’s more than acreage,” he said. “Northharvest brings decades of experience in dry bean production, research, promotion and market development.”

The industry is already seeing examples of what that collaboration can accomplish.

The Coalition for the Advancement of Pulses, or CAP, brought the pulse industry together around increasing consumption recommendations in the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The 2025-2030 guidelines ultimately recommended 3.5 cups of pulse crops per week, up from the previous 1.5 cups. Northharvest was a major contributor to the CAP initiative.

The next phase, CAP 2.0, is focused on translating that recommendation into increased use of pulses in school meals, military food service and other institutional feeding programs.

CREATING NEW MARKETS

For Northharvest, the partnership ultimately comes back to creating more opportunities for growers to market their beans.

USA Pulses has eight representatives working in markets around the world to identify customers and connect them with U.S. suppliers. McGreevy said the 2026 USA Pulses Summit in Orlando generated several million dollars in U.S. dry bean sales. The summit will come to Minneapolis in June 2027, with Northharvest expected to play an important role. Domestically, USA Pulses works to increase consumer awareness and expand the use of pulses in food products, school meals and federal nutrition programs.

Research provides another opportunity. USA Pulses and its partners support and influence more than \$10 million in federal research grants annually across pulse crops, supporting work in areas that include breeding and genetics, crop management, functionality, health and human nutrition.

“The formation of the coalition provides strength in numbers when it comes to regulatory reform and an influence for federal funding that our industry has not had access to for research, value-added processing, education and promotion, and nutrition support,” Coulter said.

USA Pulses has set a goal of doubling U.S. pulse production and consumption by 2030. For McGreevy, reaching that goal comes down to what he calls connection.

“Connecting growers with customers, supply with demand, innovation with opportunity and the U.S. pulse industry with markets around the world,” he said.

For Northharvest growers, joining USA Pulses creates another avenue for making those connections — while giving dry beans a stronger voice alongside pulse crops pursuing many of the same priorities. ■

Congrats!



**Northarvest
Past President
Eric Jorgenson
Elected to
USA Pulses Board**

Congratulations to Northarvest Past President Eric Jorgenson of Leeds, ND, on his election to the USA Pulses Board of Directors!

This is a tremendous opportunity to bring his leadership, experience, and Northarvest perspective to a national organization representing pulse producers and processors nationwide.

We're excited to see Eric take on this new role and look forward to the positive impact he will have in advancing the pulse industry, expanding markets, encouraging innovation, and building greater awareness and demand for American-grown pulses. ■



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Lyle Ackerman

Lyle G. Ackerman, 84, of Frankenmuth and formerly of Reese, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on Thursday, August 13, 2026

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ILLUMINATING AGRICULTURE

National Conference Brings New Ideas, Resources and Connections Back to Agricultural Educators Across the Northharvest Region

Written by: Emma Rieke

Agricultural educators from across the country gathered in Providence, Rhode Island, June 22-25 for the 2026 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference, where this year's theme, "Illuminating Agriculture," put a spotlight on new ideas, resources and connections in agricultural literacy.

The annual conference is a professional development event for pre-K-12 teachers, volunteers and agricultural literacy professionals. More than 500 attendees were expected for the 2026 event, which included hands-on workshops, classroom resources and opportunities to experience agriculture in the host region.

A delegation of 12 Minnesotans made the trip to Providence, including Northharvest Bean Growers Association Education and Sponsorship Director Jennifer Hansen, who attended alongside partners from Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom.

"What I love about Ag in the Classroom conferences is meeting wonderful educators that are truly committed to

teaching students about the world around them," Hansen said. "Agriculture touches every one of us every day, from the food we eat to the clothes we wear to the roofs over our heads."

For Hansen, the opportunity to learn from educators and agricultural literacy professionals from around the



country also provides ideas she can bring directly back to Northarvest.

“I learn so much from attending Ag in the Classroom conferences,” she said. “I bring back ideas on how to create content that is specific to dry beans, and the networking opportunities are immeasurable.”

Heather Lang, Agriculture in the Classroom program leader in North Dakota, saw that exchange of ideas firsthand. Hands-on sessions included making tortillas by crushing corn kernels, creating corn husk dolls, painting with natural pigments and learning about pollinators and worms. Several ideas inspired by the conference were later incorporated into programming at the North Dakota State Fair.

“The beauty of this conference reinforces our shared mission — utilizing successful strategies from other states to enhance our own programs,” Lang said.

The conference also gave attendees an opportunity to see agricultural education outside the traditional classroom. During a “Classroom to Coastline” tour, Lang visited Bristol County Agricultural High School in Massachusetts, a vocational high school on a 280-acre campus where students can focus on areas including veterinary science, livestock, equine studies, agricultural mechanics and floriculture.

The tour was led by students, something Lang said demonstrated the value of hands-on agricultural education.

“To me there is no better way to highlight Ag in the Classroom’s mission of increasing agricultural literacy through commitment to hands-on and experiential learning,” she said.

Just as important as the sessions and tours were the conversations happening between them. Hansen said she heard educators exchanging ideas and techniques throughout the conference.

“Educators were not only learning ideas and techniques in the sessions, but also gaining invaluable knowledge from the networking between classes,” she said.

Those connections allow agricultural education programs to learn from one another and bring proven ideas back home.

“Having a network of colleagues across the country to collaborate with, share best practices and support one another is invaluable,” Lang said. “These partnerships help enhance our regional programs and support the students we educate.” ■



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GROWING MINDS *Conference* Featured Tours Recap



GROWING YOUNG MINDS

Educators Get Hands-on Tools for Bringing Agriculture Into Classrooms Across Minnesota and Wisconsin

Written by: Emma Rieke

The first-ever Growing Minds Conference brought K-12 educators from Minnesota and Wisconsin together July 27-28 at St. Paul College for two days of hands-on learning, agricultural experiences and practical ideas for bringing agriculture into the classroom.

Hosted jointly by Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom and Wisconsin Agriculture in the Classroom, the professional development conference included agricultural site tours, interactive breakout sessions, mini sessions and opportunities for educators to connect with agricultural professionals and one another.

For Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom Executive Director Ann Marie Ward, those connections were among the highlights of the event.

“One of the biggest highlights was seeing educators learn from one another while connecting directly with agriculture,” Ward said. “Throughout the two-day conference, they participated in hands-on learning,

explored resources they could use with students and built relationships with fellow educators and agricultural partners.”

The first day took learning outside the classroom, with attendees choosing from five agricultural tours covering topics ranging from seed science and beef production to dairy, berries, Indigenous food systems, horticulture and Hmong food and culture.

On day two, educators returned to St. Paul College for breakout and mini sessions designed to provide ideas they could put to use in their own classrooms. Topics spanned grade levels and subject areas and included food science, STEM, agricultural careers, classroom agriculture projects and agricultural literacy.

Northarvest Bean Growers Association, a Classroom Champion sponsor of the conference, also helped put dry beans on the lesson plan. Northarvest Education and Sponsorship Director Jennifer Hansen led a Bean

Lifecycle Keychain mini session for educators working with students in grades 3-5. Participants used nine different beads to represent components of the bean-growing cycle and received materials to recreate the activity with students.

Providing educators with practical resources they can take home was an important part of the conference, Ward said.

"We hope they are also feeling confident to make agriculture part of their everyday teaching," she said. "Whether they brought home a new lesson, classroom resource or connection, our goal was for each educator to leave with something practical they could use with students during the school year."

That approach extends beyond science or traditional agricultural education. Conference sessions demonstrated ways agriculture can connect with subjects including literacy, math, social studies, nutrition and technology.

"Educators are at the heart of building agricultural literacy," Ward said. "When we give teachers the knowledge, resources and firsthand experiences to confidently teach about agriculture, that impact reaches students across Minnesota."

Growing Minds is one piece of a larger effort to make those resources accessible to educators throughout the year.

"We also want educators to understand the MAITC team is here to support them throughout the year, every year," Ward said. "This MAITC team is ready to help them open minds and doors to the incredible world of agriculture for the value of all." ■

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CANADIAN GROWERS

VISIT FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA



Written by: **Jeffrey Miller**

The North Dakota Soybean Council, Northern Pulse Growers Association, Northarvest Bean Growers Association and North Dakota State University were excited and honored to welcome the Manitoba Pulse and Soybean Growers to Fargo on July 30 and 31.

The visit brought together Canadian industry associations representing over 30,000 growers and 110 companies. The United States is by far the largest market for Canadian pulse crops, accounting for over 85% of the exports.

The Canadians were excited to tour the newly completed Peltier Complex on the North Dakota State University campus. The \$70 million facility is located in the southwestern corner of campus and supports research in food science, food safety, nutrition and the development of new ag products, among others.

They enjoyed walking through the main corridor, as it features flags from several countries NDSU has hosted in the complex as well as highlights of the history of North Dakota agriculture.

Numerous presentations were also enjoyed by the delegation. NDSU's Juan M. Osorno, PhD, discussed the

NDSU Dry Bean Breeding Program and how it has not only benefited growers locally but also on a global scale. Surprisingly, NDSU's program is the youngest public breeding program in the country, established in 1980. Despite that, it's also the largest!

The NDSU breeding program consists of 6 testing locations in North Dakota, 2 in Minnesota, 5 experiment stations in North Dakota and off-season nurseries in New Zealand and Puerto Rico.

The Northern Pulse Growers Association Executive Director Shannon Berndt and Northarvest Bean Growers Association Executive Director Mitch Coulter provided an overview of the regions pea, lentil, chickpea and dry bean industries including research, market development, government relations, and education efforts for the pulse industry.

The group also visited the soymilk and tofu machines in the complex and were impressed by the process of turning soybeans into milk, tofu and flour. The hammer mill can also be used to make flour out of other pulse crops, such as navy beans.



The Executive Director of the North Dakota Soybean Council, Stephanie Sinner, met with the group the first afternoon. She hosted a panel discussion of farmers, agronomists and academics on a wide variety of topics, including trade, policy and tariffs. Canadian and American growers work very closely together, with our neighbors to the north importing over 185,000 metric tons of soybeans while also exporting over 423,000 metric tons to the US.

The roundtable was the source of many questions and answers from all around, deepening the knowledge of the growers and participants.

Next, the group hopped into vans and headed out to visit the North Dakota Soy Processors Crush Plant near Casselton, North Dakota. The plant is one of three that are located in the state.

The plant crushes over 125,000 bushels of soybeans each day, adding up to nearly 43 million bushels a year. Production of 2,750 tons of soybean

meal, 1,375 pounds of soy oil and 218 tons of soy hull are done each day, running 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

When processed, 70% of the value of each soybean is in the oil, with the rest in meal and hulls. Meal and hulls are used for livestock feeding, while oil is used for industrial and food uses.

Following the tour in Casselton, the group next toured the Maple River Grain fertilizer factory. The facility recently went through a \$12 million expansion, and the tour went through the 60,000 metric ton fertilizer shed and the control room.

Day 2 of the visit found the group at the NDSU Agronomy and Seed Farm, located west of Casselton. Director of Agronomy and Research Miki Miheguli and NDSU Soybean Breeder Dr. Carrie Dotty, along with Brian Otteson, Director-Foundation Seedstocks and Agronomy Seed Farm, gave a tour of the farm along with insights on the soybean breeding program. Concerns facing soybean producers include soybean gall midge, soybean sudden death syndrome and red crown root rot. Soybean breeders are at the forefront of helping deal with diseases and pests.

Northarvest Bean Growers, along with the ND Soybean Council, Northern Pulse Growers Association and NDSU, enjoyed hosting the Canadians and hope they enjoyed the visit as much as the hosts did! ■

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AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ROUNDTABLE

Written by: **Jeffrey Miller**



Congresswoman Michelle Fischbach participated in an Agriculture Advisory Committee Roundtable at 4H2 in Crookston, Minnesota. Northharvest Past President Eric Samuelson represented dry bean farmers in the roundtable, in which he shared five concerns with the Congresswoman.

They included the need for further economic assistance through the FSA's Assistance for Specialty Crops (ASCF) program. According to the NDSU Risk Policy Center, dry bean farmers need an extra \$25 an acre to be on equal footing with crops covered under the program.

There is also a need for Farm Bill 2.0 to support transitioning dry beans from a specialty crop to a program crop status. This would provide a better safety net for producers.

Farm Bill 2.0 also needs to have a mitigation provision to support dry beans for food aid, providing additional support for the industry.

The Pulse Crop Health Initiative (PCHI) has been authorized, through Congress, for funding levels as high as \$25 million. Unfortunately, current program funding is set at \$5.5 million. The industry is ready to see this escalated.

Finally, with the restructuring of both domestic and international food aid at the Federal level, we need to get back to purchasing levels of dry beans that support diplomacy.

Northharvest Bean Growers would like to provide a huge thanks to Congresswoman Fischbach and Past President Samuelson for helping facilitate this important meeting. ■

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NORTHARVEST SERVES UP BEANS AT THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR



Written by: **April Knutson**

Northarvest Bean Growers Association (NBGA) brought pinto beans to the Midway this summer, teaming up with North Dakota Ag in the Classroom and Pride of Dakota at the 2026 North Dakota State Fair in Minot.

The two organizations shared space in a new North Dakota Agriculture Acre, a dedicated area inside the Magic Place building designed to give fairgoers a hands-on look at what the state's farmers grow and produce. NBGA team members showcased pinto, navy, kidney, black and pink beans grown across North Dakota and Minnesota farm country. The Agriculture Acre gave the association a chance to put that crop directly in front of thousands of fair visitors in one of the fair's busiest buildings.

At the Pride of Dakota culinary experience, visitors sampled Pinto Bean Hummus, a simple, kid-friendly snack to highlight that dry beans are a part of a healthy and delicious diet. Next door, the Ag in the Classroom booth kept kids and parents busy with a round of Superfood Bingo, pairing the hummus tasting with a game built around the nutrition story behind beans and other North Dakota-grown foods. Between the two booths, fairgoers got both a taste and a lesson — the kind of pairing Northarvest leaders have leaned into at outreach events across the region this year.

Jennifer Hansen, NBGA's finance director and education and sponsorship committee staff lead, represented

Northarvest at the fair, greeting visitors, restocking hummus samples, and fielding the inevitable "wait, that's made from beans?" reactions throughout the week.

Jennifer said the hummus in particular was a hit, and the feedback stuck with her.

"One young lady came back three times for a hummus sample!" Hansen said.

It's the kind of reaction Northarvest loves to see at events like this: a skeptical taste-tester, a recipe request, a second or third helping. Turning a fairgoer's hesitation into genuine interest is exactly what these hands-on tastings are designed to do, and it's a much easier sell in person, over a sample cup, than it is in a brochure.

The Agriculture Acre partnership also reflects a broader pattern in Northarvest's outreach. The association has hosted Living Ag Classrooms events in Jamestown, Minot, Bismarck and West Fargo, reaching thousands of fourth graders across the region. The NBGA has continued building relationships with groups like NDSU Extension and Pride of Dakota. The state fair booth fit into that same strategy: meet people — kids, parents, first-time bean skeptics — where they already are and let a good bite of food do a lot of the talking.

For an organization that spends much of its year working with farmers, researchers and industry partners, a week at the state fair offers something different: a direct line to the people actually eating the beans. Judging by the repeat hummus visits and the newly converted fairgoers, that direct line paid off.

Northarvest looks forward to bringing beans back to the North Dakota State Fair again next year — and, if this year is any indication, to winning over a few more skeptics along the way. ■



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NORTHARVEST BEAN GROWERS IS A MEMBER OF THE **AGRICULTURAL FERTILIZER RESEARCH AND EDUCATION COUNCIL**

Written by: **Jeffrey Miller**

The University of Minnesota-Agricultural Fertilizer Research and Education Council (UMN-AFREC) recently released its work update from April, May and June of 2026. As the Northarvest Bean Growers Association are a member of the organization, there were many topics that dry bean producers would find helpful.

The annual Spring Fertilizer Outlook episode of the Nutrient Management Podcast ran in April and discussed fertilizer planning and recent market volatility and earned over 1,500 clicks.

Of particular importance to the dry bean industry was the “AFREC Spotlight” radio spot on the Red River Farm Network in which Dan Kaiser talked about dry edible beans’ nitrogen needs. This spot aired in May.

In June, AFREC member Craig LaPlante was interviewed by AgWeek on his experience with converting his operation to no-till.

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Northharvest Bean Growers Association was recently on AgWeekTV with a harvest update. Find the clip at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MiISVKn4L0&t=3s>

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