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Minnesota Crop Improvement Association Responds to Covid-19 Pandemic

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, March 18, 2020 In response to the global Covid-19 pandemic, the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association (MCIA) is taking precautions to protect the health of its staff and the community. MCIA is following CDC guidance regarding social distancing, hygiene, and sanitizing. MCIA will remain in operation, but with a reduced staffing at its Saint Paul office for at least the next two weeks. Although several staff members will be working from home, all will be accessible via e-mail.

Any person wishing to visit the MCIA office should call in advance, 612-625-7766. MCIA asks that deliveries to the office be left in the building vestibule, where they will later be retrieved by MCIA staff. The entrance to the building will be kept locked. Those wishing to use the shipping and receiving dock should also call in advance to make arrangements with MCIA.

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Since 1903, Minnesota Crop Improvement Association (MCIA) has provided programs and services to meet the needs of an ever-changing agricultural world. These services include seed certification, organic certification, foundation seed production, and a variety of customized third-party verification programs for seed and identity-preserved grains. MCIA operates from facilities on the University of Minnesota's St. Paul campus with field staff located throughout Minnesota.

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