

## Calendar

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| <b>Mar 15</b>    | Payments due for Foundation seed           |
| <b>Mar 27</b>    | Organic Crops Day, Owatonna                |
| <b>Mar 30</b>    | MCIA Board Meeting, St. Paul               |
| <b>Apr 6</b>     | MCIA Office Closed                         |
| <b>Apr 25-26</b> | AOSCA Northern Regional Mtg, Brookings, SD |

## Issuing Bulk Certificates Online

If you would like to issue Bulk Certificates online, please contact the MCIA office to have an account set up.

## Hiring Part-time Field Staff

MCIA is looking for part-time field inspectors and Insect Refuge Management (IRM) assessors for the upcoming inspection season. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact your field supervisor or call the MCIA office at 1-800-510-6242.

## Combine Wanted

The MCIA Foundation Seed Program is looking for a small combine that could be used on the St. Paul campus to harvest small seed increases, usually in the 1-3 acre range. Ability to thoroughly clean the machine is very important. Age does not matter. A header width of about 10 feet is needed. If you have a combine that might work, contact Craig or Roger at MCIA 1-800-510-6242.

## Seed Certification, Testing and Labeling

An analysis report from a seed testing lab does not represent certified seed. A seed lot is not certified until a passed Seed Certification Report is issued by MCIA and a certification label is attached or a Bulk Sales Certificate is issued to the buyer.

**Other Notes** – As you wrap up seed conditioning and testing, here are a few items to keep in mind:

1. Send in samples as soon as possible so you have test results for seed you are distributing.
2. Always tag or issue bulk certificates for seed you distribute.
3. Be sure any Foundation or Registered seed you intend to use as a seed source has passed final certification.
4. Resolve any issues about eligibility of seed source before planting.
5. Keep accurate records of any seed you carry over into next year.

## Proof of Seed Source

Remember, when picking up seed make sure it is properly tagged or that you receive a bulk certificate. Save these documents for proof of seed source. Information packets for Field Inspections will be mailed in May.

## Foundation Seed and New Variety Information

**Seed Available** - We are still accepting orders for Foundation seed of wheat, barley, oats and soybeans. Please include full payment when ordering. Some of the varieties available are:

*Rollag, RB07, Sabin, Barlow, and Faller wheat*

*Badger, Beach, Colt and Esker oats*

*MN0095, MN1410, MN1701CN and Surge soybeans*

**New Varieties** - Invoices have been mailed to those who received a new variety allocation. Please make payment immediately, so you can pick up your seed in a timely manner.

**Seed Pickup** - Full payment is due before you can pick up your Foundation seed order. Remember to contact your seed distributor ahead of time to make arrangements to pick up seed. Call MCIA for additional information or if you have questions.

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### MCIA Services

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