If you are curious about how the forage seed levy funds collected in 2007 are being spent: read the inside of this pamphlet.

If you as a grower choose not to or to partially support your industry:

How to apply for a refund?

Growers need to apply in writing, and include:

- Amounts of forage seed levy that were paid with each sale at all seed outlets.
- The amount or percentage of the levy that they would like sent back.

What is the deadline to apply for a refund?

Applications for refunds must be postmarked on or before January 31. The deadline for applying for turf and forage seed levy funds paid at all seed outlets in the calendar year of 2007 is January 31, 2008. Refunds will be verified and processed in a month, so that growers should receive their refund cheques in mid March.

Where to apply?

To reduce costs of administration, there is one central office for administering the levy for both Alberta and British Columbia turf and forage seed growers.

All forage seed growers from Alberta and British Columbia wishing to apply for a refund need to send their application to the address below.

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Your \$\$\$ at Work for the Turf & Forage Seed Industry



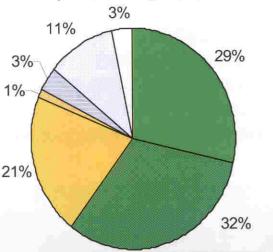


Research & Extension
Activities of the
Peace Region Forage
Seed Association
in 2007



The vision is to improve the quality, consistency and profitability of the turf and forage seed industry in the Peace River Region.

Use of Funds (\$182,000 levy + \$91,000 matching funds)



- Research PRFSA\$
- Research Matching \$
- Extension PRFSA \$
- Extension Matching \$
- Directors & Meetings
- □ Coordination & Office
- □ Bookkeeping & Auditing

Pre

Levy funds collected in 2007 will be used to develop the industry by:

1. Research: strengthening research capabilities in Peace River Region: (29% + 32%)

Grass Seed Yield Cultivar Trials

Coordinating Western Grass Seed Testing Program entries for Western Canada network

Managing 2 sites of the network at Beaverlodge, AB and Fort St. John, BC

Agronomy, Crop Rotation & Establishment Trials Sources of Nitrogen on 3 Grasses

Rates of Nitrogen with Direct Seeding Annuals into Alsike Clover

Removing Creeping Red Fescue for Direct Seeding Effects of Growth Regulators on Bromegrasses

Insect Control Trials

Survey for Case Bearer Insect in Clover Fields

Evaluating Insecticides for Control of Case Bearer Insect in Clover Fields

Herbicide Tolerance Trials

Herbicide Tolerance in Alsike and Red Clover Seed

Tolerance of both Grasses and Legumes to -seeding and Pre-emergent Herbicides

Herbicide Tolerance Trials of 3 Established Grasses to Axial and new Dow product

Herbicide Tolerance Trials of Seedling Grasses & Legumes to Axial, Solo and new Dow product

Herbicide Minor Use Registration Trials

Compiling data from several site years of herbicide tolerance trials & submitting to the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) in Ottawa.

Examples of Recent Minor Use Registrations Received:

Prestige on seedling /established creeping red fescue, intermediate wheatgrass, crested wheatgrass, meadow bromegrass, smooth bromegrass & timothy seed.

Attain on seedling / established creeping red fescue, intermediate wheatgrass, crested wheatgrass, meadow bromegrass, smooth bromegrass and timothy seed.

2. Transferring technology to growers: (22%)

Organizing annual production and marketing seminars in Peace Region of British Columbia and Alberta

Organizing tours to various forage seed growing areas

Updating forage seed website that was designed in 2005, see http://www.peaceforageseed.ca

Compiling production publications & facts sheets:

Red clover seed production guide to be published in 2007

Writing for Forage Seed News magazine and mailing publications and information to over 1100 turf and forage seed growers in the Peace Region

3. Ensuring optimal use of funds: (17%)

Setting priorities and planning by growers, seed companies and researchers, reimbursing basic director and meeting expenses (Directors & Meetings 3%)

Coordinating extension activities listed at left; compiling project proposals, securing matching funds; hiring contractors; reporting to funding partners; communicating effectively among PRFSA, AB commission, BC Grain Industry Dev Council, AB Marketing Council, AAFC, AAF, BCMAL (Coordination & Office 11%)

Bookkeeping, auditing and ensuring accountability of expenses (Bookkeeping & Auditing 3%)