

Fields are bare in many parts of Alberta and the calendar has flipped, so we have Top 10 considerations for April and an info-packed weeds quiz.



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Three Alberta fields, April 4: Peace (top), north central (middle) and south (bottom). Photo Credits: Gregory Sekulic, Dan Orchard and Autumn Barnes

## Top 10 canola-related jobs for April

**1. Prep for good seed placement.** This includes drill prep for even seed distribution and depth side to side and front to back. It may also require some residue management, but consider the risks.

**2. Use the canola calculator to set seeding rates.** An update to the seeding rate decision tool at [canolacalculator.ca](http://canolacalculator.ca) adds 'seed cost' to the equation. Try a few different scenarios to see the economic impact of factors such as seed size, percent emergence and target plant density.

**3. Know the risks for seed-placed fertilizer.** The safe recommendation for seed-placed fertilizer for canola is to apply no more than 20 lb./ac. of phosphate in the seed row. Place all other fertilizer, including extra required phosphate, in a side band or mid-row band where it will not harm germinating seeds.

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#### > Canola Watch quiz - Weed management

Huge learning in just four questions on TruFlex, cleavers, volunteer canola and herbicide carryover. [TAKE THE QUIZ](#)

#### > Herbicide-resistant weeds: Prevent and manage

You've heard this: Spray when small. Tank mix. Rotate groups and crops. But this is new: a GR kochia map (big blotches) and link to Manage Resistance Now. [READ MORE](#)

#### > Dry conditions elevate herbicide carryover risk

Moisture, especially summer moisture, is the big breaker-down of residue herbicide. Did you get enough? See another good map when you [READ MORE](#).

#### > Tank mix options for pre-seed burnoff

Glyphosate alone can be OK on fields planned for canola, but best to mix it up with one of the [five choices listed here](#).

#### > For your listening pleasure....

Canola Watch is podcasting up a storm. Did you know CCC agronomy specialist Dan Orchard wrote and recorded the theme music? [LISTEN](#)

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