

# Agri-News

This Week in Agriculture

Alberta



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Coming events

## Agri-News feature



### Working with the weather

Harry Brook, crop specialist at the Alberta Ag-Info Centre, explains how producers can use the Alberta Climate Information Service (ACIS) to make informed decisions during the growing and harvest seasons.

- [Read the article](#)

## Markets



### Crops

[weekly crop market review](#)

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## Feed Testing - What's Important and Why

- [September 26, webinar](#)

## Soil Erosion Series Workshop 2

- [September 26, Clairmont](#)

## Cleanfarms collection events

- [October 7-11, central & northern Alberta](#)

## Pulse Canada: Metrics that Matter!

- [October 8, webinar](#)

## You Have Your Feed Test Results - Now What?

- [October 10, webinar](#)

## Get the Dirt on Soil Health and Carbon Workshop Series

- [October 16, Irricana](#)
- [October 21, Pincher Creek](#)

## Sustainable Forest Management in Alberta

- [October 17, webinar](#)

## Environmental Farm Plan Workshop

- [October 18, Three Hills](#)

## Pasteurizer Operator Licensing Course

- [October 22-25, Leduc](#)

## Red Deer Swine Technology Workshop

## Crops



### Alberta crop report

Harvest operations have resumed in most parts of the province, thanks to warmer and windy conditions. However, progress has been slow, due to some shower activity in many parts of the province.

Provincially, about 18% of major crops have been harvested as of September 17, up 5% from the previous week, while 20% are in the swath, up 10% from the previous week. About 62% of major crops remain standing, down 15% from the previous week. When compared to the 5-year averages (2014-2018), harvest progress is behind in all regions.

- [Read the report](#)



### Off-season orchard management

A big part of managing an orchard in the off-season starts with lots of in-season and pre-off-season management. Robert Spencer, commercial horticulture specialist at the Alberta Ag-Info Centre, explains.

- [Read the article](#)



- [October 23, Red Deer](#)

#### Fall and Winter Feeding Strategies

- [October 24, webinar](#)

#### Opportunities in Fruit

- [October 28, Lacombe](#)

#### Opportunities in Vegetables

- [October 29, Lacombe](#)

#### Alberta Milk Fall Producer Meetings

- [October 29, Lethbridge](#)
- [October 30, Red Deer](#)
- [October 31, Westlock](#)
- [November 1, Leduc](#)

#### Opportunities in Greenhouses

- [November 4, Lacombe](#)

#### Western Canada Conference on Soil Health and Grazing

- [December 10-12, Edmonton](#)

#### Farming Smarter Conference & Tradeshow

- [December 11-12, Lethbridge](#)

#### Agronomy Update 2020

- [January 7-8, Red Deer](#)

#### Banff Pork Seminar

- [January 7-9, Banff](#)

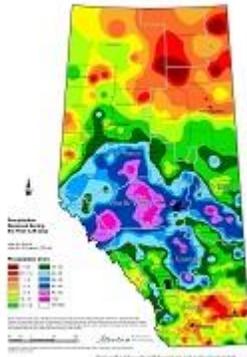
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## ICYMI - in case you missed it

With harvest rolling along, another look at two articles from previous editions of Agri-News.

- [Avoid harvest-related fatigue](#)
- [Worry free crop storage](#)

## What's new in ag information



### Moisture situation update

Read the latest agricultural moisture situation updates developed by the Agro-Meteorological Applications and Modelling Section team at Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. It now includes a map that looks at growing degree day progress.

- [Moisture situation update](#)



**#ABAgChat tweets about nutrition and the environmental impact of livestock and poultry production**

Matt Oryschak from Alberta Agriculture and Forestry's Monogastric Feed Research Group takes over Alberta Agriculture and Forestry's [Twitter](#) account on Tuesday, September 24 from 10 to 11 am.

He will be tweeting about how economic and environmental sustainability of pig and poultry production is closely tied to how and what we feed to poultry and livestock. Producers in Alberta have a huge potential competitive advantage due to the large variety of feedstuffs that are locally available. This advantage offers producers opportunity to optimize feed costs and reduce their environmental footprint.

Be part of the conversation by following [@AlbertaAg](#) and #ABAgChat on Twitter.

## Export markets



### Building Alberta's business in Latin America

Agri-food importers from Latin America connected with local businesses during a recent trade mission to the province. Meghan Horosko, trade and relations officer with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, has the details.

- [Read the article](#)

## Livestock



### Know what you're buying

The quality and quantity of forage in the province is extremely varied. Andrea Hanson, livestock extension specialist with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, offers suggestions for producers who are buying feed this year.

- [Read the article](#)



### F.X. Aherne Award accepting applications

The Banff Pork Seminar is accepting applications for the Dr. F.X. Aherne Prize for Pork Innovation. It is open to anyone who has developed an innovation relevant to the North American pork industry.

Innovations can be applicable for use on-farm, during transportation or animal handling at the abattoir.

- [For more information or how to apply](#)

## Extension and learning



### Feed and forage webinar series

A team of Alberta Agriculture and Forestry specialists along with members of applied research and forage associations is hosting this free webinar series that addresses livestock producers feed concerns.

Feed testing - what's important and why is the topic of the September 26 webinar.

- [Learn about the webinar series](#)
- [Register for the September 26 webinar](#)



### Three institutions combine to tackle Canadian agriculture challenges

Three of Canada's leading post-secondary agriculture institutions teamed up for a one-of-a-kind training opportunity and competition this past weekend - September 20 to 22 - at Lethbridge College. McDalBridge brought together students from McGill University, Dalhousie University and Lethbridge College to create innovative solutions to Canadian agricultural challenges.

- [Read the media release](#)

## Business and marketing



### **Beef export and cull cow market update**

Jason Wood, provincial livestock market analyst with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, updates the numbers as of September 19, 2019.

- [Read the article](#)



### **Nominations sought for Alberta Dairy Awards**

Alberta Milk is now accepting nominations for two awards: the Dairy Industry Achievement Award and the Recognition of Service Award.

- [Read the media release and download the nomination forms](#)

## **Rural living**



### **Dealing with harvest farm fires**

A farm emergency plan is the first step when dealing with the risk of fires during harvest. Blaine Metzger, project technologist manager at the Farm Stewardship Centre, explains what should be part of a farm emergency plan.

- [Read the article](#)



## 4-H registration opens October 1

Alberta's largest youth organization offers life-long learning opportunities through a variety of programs. Cameron Horner, 4-H communications and marketing specialist with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, has the details.

- [Read the article](#)

## Recipe



### Sausage, lentil and barley soup

Italian sausages and green lentils pair with barley in this simple-to-make soup. Brought to you by [Alberta Pulse Growers](#).

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