

PROJECT TITLE: Western Regional Spring Wheat Variety Evaluations

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OBJECTIVE: To determine the adaptability of new and introduced spring wheat varieties grown under high moisture conditions in Montana.

RESULTS: High yields were taken from the 1991 Western Regional Spring Wheat Nursery. All forty-five entries had yields in excess of 100 bu/a. The top yield was 147 bu/a for the variety WA 7668. Test weights were average with the nursery mean being 59.91 lb/bu. Eight hard white spring wheats were evaluated this year with two of those entries yielding more than Owens (129 bu/a) and equal to, or above McKay (133 bu/a). Lodging was minimal throughout the nursery. The lodging index is a product of the severity and prevalence of lodged grain. Septoria was observed in all varieties with infection levels of .5 to 20%.

SUMMARY: High yields were recorded in the 1991 Western Regional Spring Wheat Nursery with every entry yielding above 100 bu/A. The range of yields was from 102 to 147 bu/a. Favorable summer precipitation and dry harvest conditions contributed to record setting yields. Lodging was minimal while low levels of Septoria were observed in all entries.

FUTURE PLANS: There are plans for continued evaluation of new and introduced lines of spring wheat in Montana by growing the western Regional Spring Wheat Nursery. This nursery is grown throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Table 1. Agronomic data from the Western Regional Spring Wheat Nursery grown on the Northwestern Agricultural Research Center in Kalispell, MT. Planted: April 12, 1991 Harvested: August 8, 1991 Field Y-5

CI or State #	VARIETY	TYPE 1/	YIELD BU/A	TEST WT LB/BU	HEAD DATE	HEIGHT IN	LODGING INDEX	% SEPTORA
WA 7668	K80296/NK751	HR	146.93	59.30	182.00	40.03	1.47	3.50
OR488403	V573.600/MRL.S/3/BOW	HW	141.43	59.43	177.67	28.22	.00	6.67
ID 409	TREASURE/ID246	SW	139.03	58.37	180.00	35.43	.00	15.00
UT 1601	UT78S147-125/906R	HR	135.47	60.20	179.33	33.46	.00	16.67
ID 410	AB1515S-A/STERLING	SW	132.87	60.23	178.33	34.12	.00	15.00
CI 17903	MCKAY	HR	132.70	59.07	181.33	32.81	.00	.50
OR484027	SPSWE9	SW	131.43	60.83	178.00	34.12	.00	10.00
ID 377S	GALLO-YR'S'/AU X KAL	HW	131.23	60.87	177.00	33.46	.00	16.67
ID 430	ABERDEEN BREEDING LI	HR	130.83	61.07	178.00	35.43	.00	16.67
WA 7496	K7400315/PTM70S.47	SW	130.63	57.60	176.67	31.50	.00	6.67
ID 392	OWENS/ID159	SW	130.27	60.13	180.67	36.09	.00	6.83
CI 17904	OWENS	SW	129.03	59.17	180.00	34.12	33.03	13.33
UT61394S	RICK/UT78S147-125	HR	127.77	57.33	182.00	34.12	26.67	5.17
ID 408	ID232/A75120S-2214-1	SW	127.13	57.50	179.33	33.46	.00	11.67
PI495916	PENAWAWA	SW	126.50	60.17	179.33	34.78	.00	10.00
OR487255	TAN.S/FEW.S	HW	126.17	62.17	174.67	33.46	.00	16.67
LEWIEM04	LEWI-EM,4(F9SEMIDWAR	SW	125.63	61.23	181.33	33.46	.00	18.33
OR487249	TAN.S/3/TI/TDB//ALD.	HW	125.53	61.07	177.67	30.18	.00	6.67
ID 367	A76102S-1-2/ID 134	HR	123.83	60.17	178.67	34.12	47.97	8.33
OR487456	CT.S	HR	123.53	61.57	176.67	30.18	.00	10.00
OR488189	BJY.S/4/TZPF//IRN46/	HR	122.57	59.73	177.00	28.87	.00	6.00
OR487469	RPV/WW15/3/BJ.S/DN*2	HR	122.23	61.03	174.67	30.84	.00	5.00
OR487400	SN64/HN4//REX/3/EDCH	HR	120.47	61.37	179.67	32.15	18.53	3.50
OR487453	SPHWE 11	HW	119.10	59.57	178.00	28.22	.00	11.67
WA 7183	K78504/K79129-33//K7	SW	118.83	59.53	180.33	32.15	.00	15.00
ID 420	A76125-2/A75141S-2-1	HR	118.77	60.20	179.00	32.15	.00	8.33
WA 7176	K78504/K74129-33//K7	SW	118.67	59.00	182.00	36.75	7.40	11.67
UT 1723	UT77W1054-1777/MCKAY	HR	118.43	60.67	182.33	37.40	27.90	16.67
PI506350	SPILLMAN	HR	118.23	59.10	177.67	34.12	.00	11.67
OR487475	AGA/6*YR'	HR	118.10	59.60	175.33	25.59	.00	13.33
UC 786	YOLO'S'/YRR,CAB10041	HR	117.70	58.17	179.00	26.25	.00	11.67
ID 404	COR 422-ANA 75/ID 23	SW	116.77	58.83	181.33	32.15	.00	6.67
UT 1708	UT77W1054-1777/MCKAY	HR	116.17	59.37	182.67	39.37	5.57	6.83
OR487462	SPHRE 16	HR	116.03	60.77	175.00	30.18	.00	10.67
UT 1711	UT77W1054-1777/MCKAY	HR	115.87	60.07	182.00	36.75	.00	8.33
UC 638	SERRA	HR	113.87	59.87	176.67	30.84	.00	15.00
ID 412	A76102S-1-2/EMU'S'	HR	113.20	62.27	177.67	34.12	.00	5.00
SUNDER01	SUNSTAR 1	HR	112.53	61.90	175.33	32.15	.00	11.67
UT 1736	UT77W1054-1777/MCKAY	HR	111.87	60.37	147.67	35.43	.00	7.33
UC 784	STA/YRR,CA7702B4-OD-	HR	110.63	60.50	174.67	24.28	.00	20.00
NK 8022	KLASIC	HW	108.90	60.27	174.67	25.59	.00	20.00
OR487279	SPHWE9	HW	105.87	59.53	174.67	27.56	.00	7.33
OR487380	SPHWE 13	HW	105.53	58.60	175.67	24.28	.00	16.67
UC 785	STA/YRR,CA7702B4-OD-	HR	105.33	59.73	176.33	24.28	.00	13.33
CI 4734	FEDERATION	SW	102.80	57.80	179.33	43.31	4.43	11.67

EXPERIMENTAL MEANS	121.92	59.90	177.72	32.39	3.84	10.87
F TEST FOR VAR.	2.61**	15.62**	1.08	34.03**	1.78*	1.80*
C.V. 2: (S OF MEAN/MEAN)*100	5.03	.51	2.80	2.23	200.73	32.74
LSD (0.05)	17.24	.86	13.99	2.03	21.68	10.01

1/ TYPE: HR = hard red, SW = soft white, HW = hard white
 * Indicates statistical significance at the .05 level, ** at .01 level.