



Western Standards Committee meeting agenda

Date: November 4, 2025

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (CST)

Location: Canadian Grain Commission
Winnipeg, MB

Virtual option: Microsoft Teams

<u>Members</u>	<u>Description</u>
Canadian Grain Commission	
David Hunt (Chairperson)	Chief Commissioner
Derek Bunkowsky	Chief Grain Inspector for Canada
Esther Salvano	Director General, Grain Research Laboratory
Nominated by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Agri- Food Canada	
Avtar Virk	Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Felicitas Katepa-Mupondwa	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Processors of grain	
Caalen Covey	Canadian National Millers Association
Kevin Sich	Brewing & Malting Barley Research Institute
Exporters of grain	
Brennan Craig	Canadian Grain & Oilseed Exporters Association
Tala Mobayen	Canadian Pulse and Special Crops Trade Association
Producers of western grain	
Beverly Wieben	Alberta producer (Alberta Pulse Growers)
Devin Hartzler	Alberta producer (Alberta Grains)
Fiona Jochum	Manitoba producer (Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association)
Glenn Tait	Saskatchewan Wheat Development Commission
Gregg Fotheringham	Manitoba producer (Manitoba Crop Alliance)
Jean Harrington	Saskatchewan producer
Jon Fehr	Manitoba producer (Canadian Canola Growers Association)

Shane Stokke
Shanna Stolhandske-Dale
Steven Donald
Stewart Oke
Stuart Lawrence

Saskatchewan producer (Flax Council of Canada)
Saskatchewan producer
Saskatchewan producer (Canadian Federation of Agriculture)
Alberta producer (Alberta Grains)
Saskatchewan producer (Saskatchewan Pulse Growers)

Additional

Ian Armer
James Dunlop
Nadia Singh
Robert Chapman

Terminal Elevator Association
Canola Council of Canada
Country Elevator Association
Inland Terminal Association of Canada

Agenda item no. 1: Chairperson’s comments

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 2: Approval of the November 4, 2025 Western Standards Committee agenda

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 3: Approval of the April 1, 2025 Western Standards Committee meeting minutes

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 4: Business arising

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 5: Grain Standards Advisory Committee update (5 minutes)

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 6: Western crop report (10 minutes)

Lead: Evan Thomas and Dr. Marta Izydorczyk

Agenda item no. 7: Pulses Advisory Committee report (10 minutes)

Lead: Joey Vanneste

Agenda item no. 8: Barley and Other Cereal Grains Advisory Committee report (10 minutes)

Leads: Evan Thomas

Agenda item no. 9: Oilseeds Advisory Committee report (20 minutes)

Lead: Evan Thomas

10:00 am to 10:15 am: Health break

Agenda item no. 10: Wheat Advisory Committee report (30 minutes)

Leads: Evan Thomas and Dr. Bin Xiao Fu

Agenda item no. 11: Darkened kernels and amber durum (15 minutes)

Lead: Derek Bunkowsky

Agenda item no. 12: Canada Western Red Spring (CWRS) and Hard Vitreous Kernel (HVK) working group (30 minutes)

Lead: Derek Bunkowsky

- **Presenter: Elaine Sopiwnyk, Cereals Canada**
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11:30 am to 12:00 pm: Lunch

Agenda item no. 13: Grain grading alignment (45 minutes)

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 14: Technology advancement framework (10 minutes)

Lead: Derek Bunkowsky

Agenda item no. 15: Travel policies and guidelines (15 minutes)

Presenter: Tawhid Sarker

Agenda item no. 16: Other (5 minutes)

Email subscriptions

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 17: Terms of committee members (5 minutes)

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 18: Closing remarks (5 minutes)

Lead: David Hunt

Agenda item no. 19: Adjournment (5 minutes)

Lead: David Hunt
