## U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative Annual Progress Report September 15, 1999

## **Cover Page**

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## **Project**

Program Area	Objective	Requested Amount
Chemical & Biological	Identify application technologies that will	\$10,000
Control	maximize fungicide coverage and efficacy	
	against FHB.	
	Requested Total	\$10,000 <sup>1</sup>

Principle Investigator	Date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: The Requested Total and the Amount Granted are not equal.

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# Project 1: Identify application technologies that will maximize fungicide coverage and efficacy against FHB.

1. What major problem or issue is being resolved and how are you resolving it?

The project is proceeding as planned. During the 1999 production season Agricultural Engineers cooperated with Dr. Pat Hart's field staff to conduct "side by side" efficacy studies comparing two different fungicide application technologies and a non-sprayed control in replicated plots.

### STANDARD APPLICATION

Boom sprayer with angled (10 Degrees from horizontal, rearward), flat fan nozzles (SS11002) on 20" centers at 55 psi, 5.4 mph ground speed, resulting in 13.2 GPA (gallons per acre).

### EXPERIMENTAL PROTOTYPE APPLICATION

Proptec heads (air-assisted, small droplet, rotary atomizer) on 5 foot centers, angled at 45 degrees downward, .27 GPM (gallons per minute) per head, 5.4 mph ground speed, resulting in 5 GPA.

### **FUNGICIDE RATE**

- **A.)** Folicur at 4 oz. / acre + Induce (0.06% v/v)
- **B.)** Folicur at 2.5 oz. / acre + Induce (0.06% v/v)
- 2. Please provide a comparison of the actual accomplishments with the objectives established.

Project proceeding as planned. Beginning this fall, we plan to proceed with the construction of a prototype air-carrier sprayer that can be skid-mounted into the back of a pickup truck. This unit will enable us to conduct commercial scale field studies next production season.

3. What were the reasons established objectives were not met? If applicable.

NA

4. What were the most significant accomplishments this past year?

The low-volume, air-assisted application system appears to be an equally effective with standard boom spraying as a method of scab control.

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Include below a list of the publications, presentations, peer reviewed articles, and non-peer reviewed articles written about your work that resulted from all of the projects included in the grant. Please reference each item using an accepted journal format. If you need more space, continue the list on the next page.

Our research team is just receiving and analyzing our first set of field results. At this time it is premature for any publications.