

Advancing Alberta's Crop Sector to 2025 and Beyond

With over \$5 billion in direct exports, Alberta's 20,000 grains, oilseeds and pulse farmers support a strong pro-trade agenda and are ready to support the growth potential of Canada's agri-food sector to \$75 billion by 2025, with the right tools to ensure growth and competitiveness.

Top Federal Priorities for Alberta Crop Farmers



Market Access

Improve trade and access to key and new markets, and a reliable rail transportation system.



"Farmers operate in a high risk, trade-exposed environment. Political action is needed to overcome blocked access to trade in key markets, such as canola into China, pulses into India, durum wheat into Italy and barley into Saudi Arabia."

John Guelly | Chair of Alberta Canola



Tools

Improve regulatory process for ensuring safe and sustainable crop protection products.



"Decisions the Pest Management Regulatory Agency makes to remove critical crop protection products must be based on sound science. Canada's ability to compete in the global market relies on predictable, science-based regulations that support access to safe and sustainable tools."

Don Shepert | Chair of Alberta Pulse Growers



Competitiveness through Innovation

Improve access to innovations and technologies that reduce agriculture's greenhouse gas emissions and improve productivity and profitability.



"Canadian farmers are amongst the most sustainable in the world. We've been sequestering carbon through improved farming practices and technology for decades, but the crop sector isn't being recognized for our net positive environmental contributions. Canada needs to protect farmers from a carbon pricing system that damages our competitiveness."

Dave Bishop | Chair of Alberta Barley



Threats

Improve effectiveness of Business Risk Management programs.



"The current Business Risk Management programs do not provide grain farmers with the stability needed to survive continuous threats from extreme weather, pest pressures, volatile prices and market uncertainty. Farmers must be included in modernizing the BRM programs to ensure they work for farmers."

Gary Stanford | Chair of Alberta Wheat Commission

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Team Alberta represents a working collaboration between four of Alberta's crop commissions: Alberta Barley, Alberta Canola, Alberta Pulse Growers and the Alberta Wheat Commission.

We work together with the aim to provide input to policy makers, ensure long-term access to markets, promote the sustainability of the crop sector, and advocate on behalf of farmers while enabling grass-roots advocacy by our farmer members.