



Member Proposal Brief 2025 Annual General Meeting

Proposal Title: Continuance of AAFC for Varietal Plant Breeding, Research and Finishing

Motion

WHEREAS: AAFC have slowly moved away from finishing Varietal research, in turn shuttering research stations, test farms and plot sites, erasing invaluable Breeding capacity.

WHEREAS: As a result a loss of scientific and technical expertise and hoping that the private sector can fill the gap, but don't have the same mandate and economics to replicate the public Breeding initiative.

BE IT RESOLVED: That AAFC continue the 100 + year research in Varietal Plant Breeding and finishing that accounts for all the environmental and disease adversities confronting the Canadian landscape.

Brief Background on the Issue:

Farmers in Canada, care what Plant Varieties are suitable for their areas in conjunction with environmental conditions. They can't rely on imported Varieties that have filled the yield gap potential, but lack bacterial, fungal and rust disease requirements, along with insect pest control. We need research for our local environmental conditions.

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