

## VARIETY RELEASE COMMITTEES - 2023

**Chair, Mike Giroux, PSPP Department Head**

<b>Wheat Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b>Voting Members, 16</b>	<b>Title / Expertise</b>	<b>Appointing Administrator</b>
1. Sue Mondal	Research Scientist / Winter Wheat Breeding	PSPP Department Head
2. Deanna Nash	Manager of the Cereal Quality Lab / Cereal Quality	PSPP Department Head
3. Alan Dyer	Professor / Plant Pathology	PSPP Department Head
4. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Board
5. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association Board
6. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
7. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
8. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
9. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Department Head
10. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
11. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
12. Jessica Torrion	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Department Head
13. Chengci Chen	Professor and Superintendent EARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
14. Qasim Khan	Senior Research Scientist, Cropping Systems (SARC)	Research Center Department Head
15. Tryg Koch	Chair MAES Advisory Council	MAES Advisory Board
16. Mike O'Hara	Montana Wheat and Barley Director, Representing Teton & Chouteau County	Montana Wheat and Barley Committee
Ex-officio Daniel Juliano	Associate Director of Technology Licensing / MSU Technology Transfer	V.P. for Research and Economic Development

<b>Barley and Oats Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b>Voting Members, 16</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Appointing Administrator</b>
1. Sue Mondal	Research Scientist / Winter Wheat Breeding	PSPP Department Head
2. Deanna Nash	Manager of the Cereal Quality Lab / Cereal Quality	PSPP Department Head
3. Alan Dyer	Professor / Plant Pathologist	PSPP Department Head
4. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Board
5. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association Board
6. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
7. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
8. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
9. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Dept. Head
10. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
11. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
12. Jessica Torrion	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Dept. Head
13. Chengci Chen	Professor and Superintendent EARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
14. Qasim Khan	Senior Research Scientist, Cropping Systems (SARC)	Research Center Dept. Head
15. Tryg Koch	Chair MAES Advisory Council	MAES Advisory Board
16. Mike O'Hara	Montana Wheat and Barley Director, Representing Teton & Chouteau County	Montana Wheat and Barley Committee
Ex-officio Daniel Juliano	Associate Director of Technology Licensing / MSU Technology Transfer	V.P. for Research and Economic Development

<b>Forage Crop Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b>Voting Members, 16</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Appointing Administrator</b>

1. Kevin McPhee	Professor / Legume Breeding	PSPP Department Head
2. Deanna Nash	Manager of the Cereal Quality Lab / Cereal Quality	PSPP Department Head
3. Mary Burrows	Professor / Plant Pathologist	PSPP Department Head
4. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Board
5. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association Board
6. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
7. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
8. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
9. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Dept. Head
10. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
11. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
12. Jessica Torrion	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Dept. Head
13. Chengci Chen	Professor and Superintendent EARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
14. Qasim Khan	Senior Research Scientist, Cropping Systems (SARC)	Research Center Dept. Head
15. Tryg Koch	Chair MAES Advisory Council	MAES Advisory Board
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<b>Specialty Crops Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b><i>Voting Members, 16</i></b>	<b><i>Affiliation</i></b>	<b><i>Appointing Administrator</i></b>
1. Mac Burgess	Associate Professor / Horticulture	PSPP Department Head
2. Kevin McPhee	Professor / Legume Breeding	PSPP Department Head
3. Mary Burrows	Professor / Plant Pathology	PSPP Department Head
4. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Board
5. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association Board
6. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
7. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
8. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
9. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Dept. Head
10. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
11. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
12. Jessica Torrion	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Dept. Head
13. Chengci Chen	Professor and Superintendent EARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
14. Qasim Khan	Senior Research Scientist, Cropping Systems (SARC)	Research Center Dept. Head
15. Tryg Koch	Chair MAES Advisory Council	MAES Advisory Board
16. Chris Westergard/ Colby Johnson	Montana Pulse Crop Committee Research Committee	Montana Pulse Crop Committee
17. Mike O'Hara	Montana Wheat and Barley Director, Representing Teton & Chouteau County	Montana Wheat and Barley Committee
Ex-officio Daniel Juliano	Associate Director of Technology Licensing / MSU Technology Transfer	V.P. for Research and Economic Development

<b>Pulse Crop Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b><i>Voting Members, 15</i></b>	<b><i>Affiliation</i></b>	<b><i>Appointing Administrator</i></b>
1. Sue Mondal	Research Scientist / Winter Wheat Breeding	PSPP Department Head

2. Kevin McPhee	Professor / Legume Breeding	PSPP Department Head
3. Deanna Nash	Manager of the Cereal Quality Lab / Cereal Quality	PSPP Department Head
4. Mary Burrows	Professor/Plant Pathology	PSPP Department Head
5. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Program
6. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association
7. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
8. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
9. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
10. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Dept. Head
11. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
12. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
13. Jessica Torrión	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Dept. Head
14. Chengci Chen	Professor and Superintendent EARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
15. Qasim Khan	Senior Research Scientist, Cropping Systems (SARC)	Research Center Dept. Head
16. Tryg Koch TBD	Chair MAES Advisory Council	MAES Advisory Board
17. Chris Westergard/ Colby Johnson	President of Northern Pulse Growers Association Research Committee Representative	Montana Pulse Advisory Committee
18. Mike O'Hara	Montana Wheat and Barley Director, Representing Teton & Chouteau County	Montana Wheat and Barley Committee
Ex-officio Daniel Juliano	Associate Director of Technology Licensing / MSU Technology Transfer	V.P. for Research, Creativity, and Technology Transfer

<b>Horticulture and Native Plants Variety Release Committee</b>		
<b><i>Voting Members, 16</i></b>	<b><i>Affiliation</i></b>	<b><i>Appointing Administrator</i></b>
1. Mac Burgess	Associate Professor / Horticulture	PSPP Department Head
2. Tracy Dougher	Professor / Horticulture	PSPP Department Head
3. Qing Yan	Professor / Plant Pathology	PSPP Department Head
4. Doug Holen	Manager of the Foundation Seed Program / Varietal Development	MT Foundation Seed Board
5. Heather Unverzagt	Exec. Director of the Montana Seed Growers / Foundation Seed and Seed Quality	MT Seed Growers Association Board
6. Fabian Menalled	Agricultural Specialist / Cropland Weed Research	LRES Department Head
7. Perry Miller	Professor / Cropping Systems	LRES Department Head
8. David Weaver	Professor / Entomology	LRES Department Head
9. Peggy Lamb	Research Scientist NARC / Variety Testing	Research Center Dept. Head
10. Jed Eberly	Assistant Professor CARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Dept. Head
11. Justin Vetch	Assistant Professor and Superintendent WTARC / Cropping Systems	Research Center Department Head
12. Jessica Torrión	Assistant Professor and Superintendent NWARC / Crop Physiology	Research Center Dept. Head
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