Update on Spring and Winter Canola

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Increasing Acres of Spring Canola

Year	Insured Acres	Average Yield of Insured Acres (lb/ac)
2014	22,500	2,193
2015	25,000	2,341
2016	29,500	2,095
2017	29,250	2,443
2018	39,400*	2,188

*Acreage increasing in Temiskaming and Thunder Bay

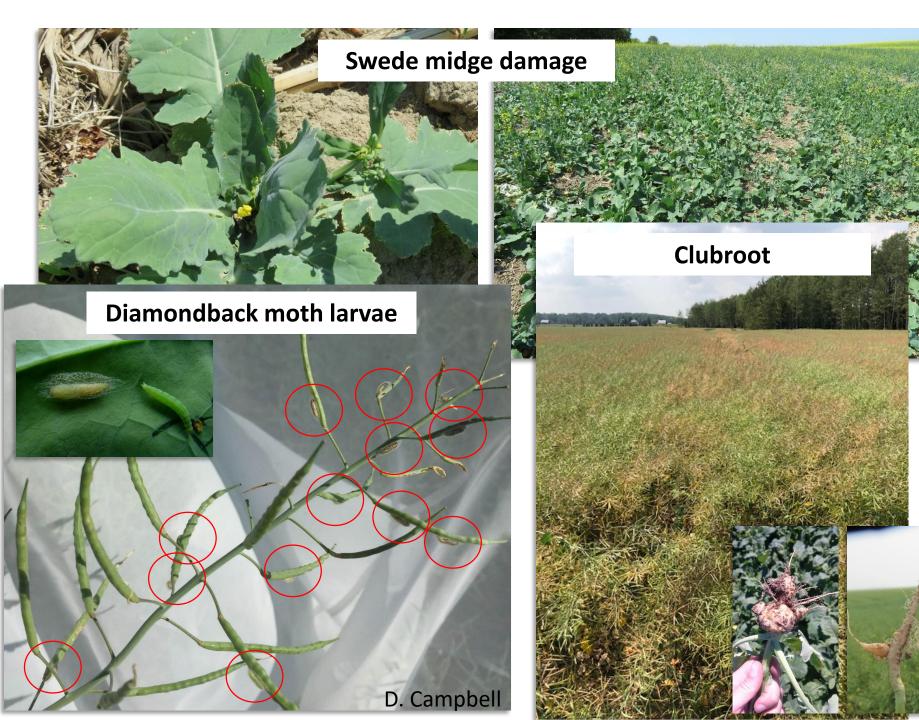
2018 Moisture Stress in Spring Canola



Kawartha Lakes



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Benefits of Canola



- Diversify rotations
- Opportunity to rotate herbicides
- Spread out workload
- High biomass return to soil
- Early winter wheat planting and strong wheat yields
- Provide resource for pollinators

Benefits of Winter Canola



Also!

- Provides ~10 months of soil cover
- Higher yield potential than spring canola
- Not susceptible to yield loss by swede midge

Different geography

- can be grown further south than spring canola
- Likely higher risk than spring canola in northern regions

History in Ontario



- Some winter canola production in 90's
- Winter canola performance trials until 2010
- Acres? Areas with most production?

Past issues include:

- Heaving/ winter kill
- Canola roots in tile (older style tile?)
- Lack of seed
- Blackleg

2009-2010 Winter Canola Performance

Variety	Yield (t/ha)	Oil (% seed)	% Winter Survival
Kronos	3.98	47.3	73
PR46W09	3.90	48.8	71
Visby	4.15	48.5	75
Sitro	3.99	49.3	71

2 Year Summary2009 sites: Elora, Palmerston, Ripley, St. Marys2010 sites: Elora, Ripley, Thornbury, St. Marys

OSACC Activities



Changes to guidelines:

- any registered variety can be used as a check
- Registration data can come from regions of US with climate similar to Ontario
- *Good* seed of check varieties difficult or impossible to get
- *Mercedes* variety given interim regional registration based on local and US data (DL Seeds / C&M Seeds)

All Currently Registered Varieties

Variety	Registration Date	Canadian Rep
Mercedes	Sept 2017*	DL Seeds Inc.
Sitro	Nov 2011	DL Seeds Inc.
Visby	Oct 2009	DL Seeds Inc.
46W09	June 2006	Pioneer Hi-Bred
Baldur	Aug 2003	Agriprogress Inc
Kronos	Aug 2003	Agriprogress Inc
Casino (OP)	Mar 1994	Bonis and Co Ltd.

*Interim registration status



 Some farmers bringing seed in from US for their own use since ~2015

Dr. Eric Page, AAFC Harrow (Essex)

- 5 planting dates, 4 varieties
- evaluate overwintering success



- Successful establishment in different tillage scenarios
- Double cropping
- Weed control

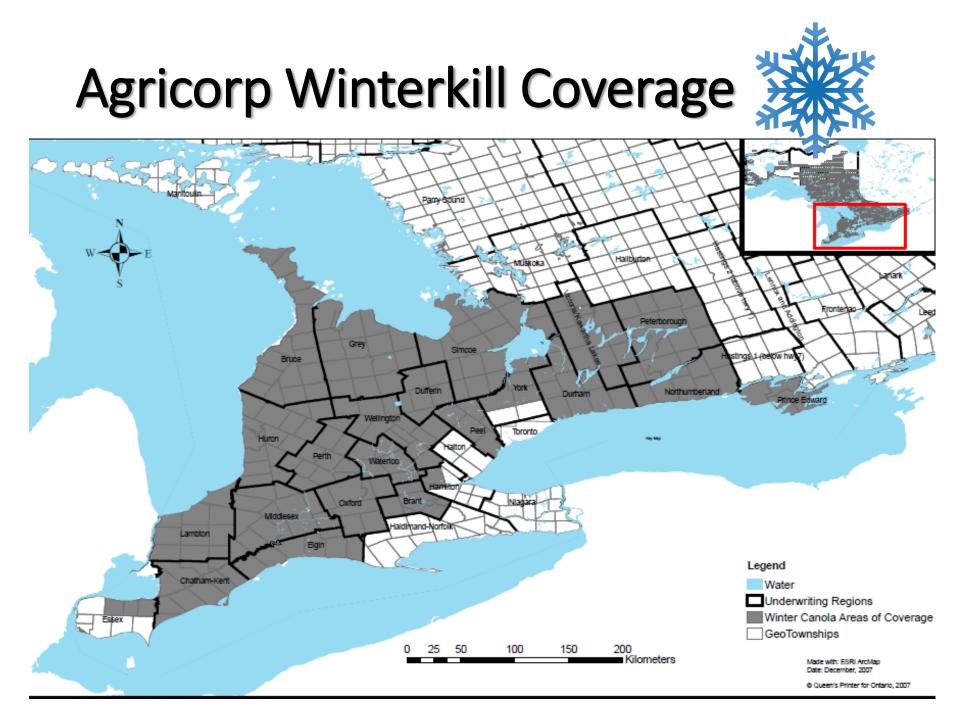
On Farm Winterkill Assessment

Sydney Meloche, AAFC Harrow & M. Moran



Mark 12 spots in each field and check overwintering success.

- ✓ Planting date by region
- ✓ Herbicide injury
- ✓ Emergence
- ✓ Residue
- Crop inputs and general success



A Rainy Start





Showing Promise





Many First Time Growers





Photo - Oct 29.

✓ Eragon herbicide injury
✓ Too much tillage + rain
✓ Planted too late
✓ No fertilizer

Winter Canola - 2018 Planting Essex & Chatham Kent







Planted Sept 8, photo taken Oct 16



Planted Sept 19, photo taken Oct 18







Disease Development



2018 Downy Mildew Symptoms



On the Lookout for Clubroot





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