

VARIETY RELEASE PROGRAM

The Variety Release Program (VRP) is a seed distribution program managed by the Saskatchewan Pulse Growers (SPG) where Select Status seed growers can access Breeder seed of new varieties developed by plant breeders at the Crop Development Centre (CDC) at the University of Saskatchewan.

The program's purpose is to facilitate rapid uptake and acceptance of new and improved pulse varieties. Any Canadian Seed Grower Association (CSGA) certified Select Status seed grower whose provincial pulse grower organization has an agreement with SPG is eligible to apply for Breeder seed through this program. Manitoba Pulse and Soybean Growers (MPSG) will subscribe to the VRP in 2017.

Manitoba Select seed growers who are members in good standing with MPSG have the opportunity to purchase Breeder pea (yellow, green, maple, forage) and faba bean seed from CDC. Manitoba seed growers who request a refund of their levy submitted to MPSG are unable to participate in the VRP.

Applications will be sent to eligible CSGA Select Status seed growers for 2017 seed allocations in January.

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