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Seed Processing

Canada enjoys an international reputation for producing, processing, and exporting high-quality seed for a wide range of crops. At a national level, we are applying leading-edge research and biotechnologies to ensure the highest quality of seeds (which, after all, are the *literal* starting point for the entire food economy).

This effort is redoubled at a provincial level: Alberta Seed Processors or ASP (formerly known as Alberta Association of Co-op Seed Cleaning Plants), is an association of


farmer-owned seed and grain processing co-ops with a vision to create seed and grain processing opportunities for local and global markets. Led by a business-minded Board of Directors, ASP is constantly searching for innovations that will lead to better seed processing. Their efforts are exemplified by their recent investment of over \$17 million to modernize Alberta's seed processing facilities.

As a region that produces some of the most vigorous, hardy, and nutritious pedigreed seed, Mackenzie Region is fortunate to live in a land that places such a high value on the processing and production of quality seed.






Facts & Figures on Seed Processing



Seed has a higher value than bulk commodity grain, but the cost of transport remains the same. Despite the far north geography of Mackenzie County, freight costs for seed products remain competitive.

Due to the geographic location of Mackenzie County, local temperatures during production season, wind direction, "newer" land, and the forest break to the south, the region has lower crop disease pressure than regions to the south.



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