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Winter canola field day May 16 near Hutchinson

K-State's Stamm says event will highlight variety development and marketing

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Kansas State University, the Great Plains Canola Association, and Scoular will host a field day at the South Central Experiment Field southwest of Hutchinson on May 16 to highlight winter canola variety development, research and marketing.

K-State canola breeder Mike Stamm said the field day is an opportunity to see winter canola variety trials in the field and learn about current and future varieties. He said management decisions to ensure a successful harvest will be discussed. Stamm notes that questions related to marketing of the crop are still a critical topic.

“Scoular is excited that our oilseed crush facility in Goodland, which will begin operations in October 2024, is creating renewed interest in planting canola,” said Jeff Frazier, the market development manager for Scoular. “It’s important to give producers an opportunity to get their marketing questions answered. We want to help producers grow canola with confidence and put everyone in the best position possible to harvest and market a successful crop this summer.”

The field day will be held at the South Central Experiment Field southwest of Hutchinson, beginning at 10 a.m. From the US-50 and S Dean Road intersection west of Hutchinson, drive south 4 ½ miles on S Dean Rd. The experiment field address is 10620 S. Dean Road.

The Great Plains Canola Association will provide an update and sponsor a free noon meal.

“Although the winter was relatively mild, the crop endured a number of stresses,” Stamm said. “Great establishment of the crop last fall enabled optimum overwintering, although differences among varieties were noted. We will be very interested to harvest and learn from these variety trials.”

To RSVP for the catered meal, please contact the K-State agronomy extension office at sprite@ksu.edu or 785-532-5776. More information also is available from Stamm at 785-532-3871, or mjstamm@ksu.edu.

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