

PRO CO-OP AG CENTER



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Your Business. Your Co-op. Your Cash Back.

In 2025, PRO Co-op returned \$5,812,619 in cash patronage to our members.

That's money back into local farm operations.

Back into equipment.

Back into families.

Back into our community.

We don't answer to outside investors. We answer to you.

When PRO Co-op succeeds, our patrons succeed.

Thank you for your trust, your loyalty, and your business.

Now's the time to finalize your seed, inoculant, and crop protection plans.

Give your PRO Co-op agronomist a call to make sure everything is lined up before the rush.



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Local Spring Wheat Trials Highlight Two High-Performing Varieties

Over the past three growing seasons, PRO Co-op has partnered with local growers to evaluate Croplan spring wheat varieties under real field conditions right in our backyard. By collecting yield data and making in-season observations from 2023 through 2025, we've been able to identify varieties that consistently perform well in our environment.

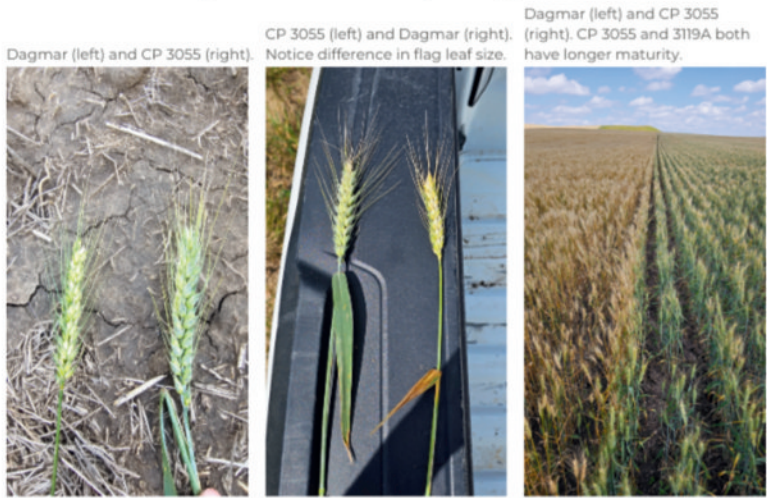
Two semi-solid stem varieties – CP 3055 and CP 3119A – have shown strong yield potential, even under stressful conditions. Both varieties have performed well in fields with known wheat stem sawfly pressure, making them promising options for growers managing this challenge.

Another advantage of these varieties is their longer relative maturity, which allows for a longer grain-fill period and strong top-end yield potential. Incorporating some later-maturing wheat into your rotation can also help spread out harvest timing, reducing the pressure of having every field ripen at once.

In addition, CP 3119A offers added versatility as an awnless variety, making it a good option for growers who may want to utilize wheat as a feed source.

As we continue evaluating varieties that perform well in our region, these two options have stood out for their yield potential, stress tolerance, and flexibility on the farm.

Photos of CP 3055 and Dagmar in 2025 trial taken on July 28 during grain fill.



Dagmar (left) and CP 3055 (right). Notice difference in flag leaf size.

CP 3055 (left) and Dagmar (right). CP 3055 and 3119A both have longer maturity.

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Spring is Calling! Garden Seeds are Here

With warmer days on the horizon, now is the perfect time to start mapping out your garden. At our Scobey retail location, you'll find a full selection of seeds and soil ready to help bring your plans to life.

From fresh veggies to colorful blooms and fragrant herbs, we've got what you need to dig in and get started. Swing by and let's make this growing season one to remember!

2023 TRIAL - LARSLAN, MT

Variety	Yield	Protein	Moisture	Test Weight
CP 3055*	39.1 bu	13.5%	11.4%	60 lb
CP 3119A*	40.2 bu	13.6%	12.1%	59 lb
CP 3188	36.5 bu	12.4%	11.4%	63 lb
CP 3099A	37.3 bu	12.1%	11.7%	59 lb
Brennan	28.9 bu	15.5%	11.5%	63 lb
Smith	30.1 bu	15.3%	11.3%	63 lb

*Wheat stem sawfly resistant varieties.

2024 TRIAL - RICHLAND, MT

Variety	Yield	Protein	Moisture
CP 3055*	29.5 bu	16.1%	12.1%
CP 3188	26.5 bu	13.3%	10.4%
CP3099A	25.2 bu	14.8%	10.9%
CP 3322	26.6 bu	15.8%	11.2%
Vida	28.2 bu	17.2%	12.2%

*Wheat stem sawfly resistant varieties.

2025 TRIAL - OPHEIM, MT

Variety	Yield	Protein	Moisture	Test Weight
CP 3055*	36.7 bu	14.0%	13.2%	60 lb
CP 3119A*	42 bu	13.5%	13.2%	60 lb
Dagmar*	24.5 bu	15.6%	12.9%	60 lb

*Wheat stem sawfly resistant varieties.

Equipment for Sale

- 2018 Case Titan 4540 Spreader
 - \$160,000
- 2005 Freightliner Columbia Truck
 - \$40,000
- 2016 Case IH Titan 4540 Spreader
 - \$137,000
- 1988 International 9300
 - \$10,000

Call Tanner at 406-487-2612 for more information.

WE ARE HIRING

Seasonal CDL Drivers

PRO Co-op is looking for seasonal CDL drivers to haul fertilizer to our growers and spreaders during our busy spring season.

- Based Out of Our Antelope Plant in Sheridan County, MT or Richland, MT
- Season: Approximately April 15 - May 31
- Competitive Pay + Time and a Half for Overtime

CONTACT:

☎ Tanner at 406-487-2612

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As the season starts to turn, we're ready to help you stay ahead with your fertilizer needs. Our fleet is prepped and set to deliver, keeping your fields productive all season long. Reach out today to make sure you're fully supplied and ready to go.

Why Buy Your Fertilizer from PRO Co-op?

When others wouldn't invest — we did.

PRO Co-op has built three state-of-the-art fertilizer plants in a region where no other company was willing to commit capital due to the lack of rail access. We didn't wait for ideal conditions. We invested in our growers.

Today, that investment includes:

- 3 modern fertilizer plants
- 26 fertilizer delivery trucks
- 7 spreaders
- 8 over-the-road trucks
- 40+ dedicated employees focused on meeting growers' needs

Speed. Precision. Reliability.

Our infrastructure allows us to deliver quality, consistent, blended-to-need fertilizer within hours anywhere in our service territory. When conditions are right, timing matters — and our system is built for responsiveness.

Commitment You Can Count On

PRO Co-op has a long-standing history of having supply available for customers who commit to doing business with us. Not every supplier can say that.

In an industry where availability can make or break a season, we provide something just as important as nutrients: Peace of mind.

Built for Growers. Backed by Investment. Proven by Reliability.

When you purchase fertilizer from PRO Co-op, you're not just buying product — you're partnering with an organization that has invested heavily to ensure your operation has a dependable, local source for years to come.

Secure your supply. Protect your season. Partner with PRO Co-op.

Propane Safety Inspections

As the weather warms this spring and summer, The PRO Co-op energy team will conduct safety and code inspections on our propane customers' systems.

The inspections will cover regulators, leak checks, tanks, and vapor distribution systems.

All of us at PRO Co-op want to ensure the safety and well-being of our customers. If you would like your name moved to the top of our list, please call 406-487-2660 with your name, address, and the days and times that work best for you.

We will need an adult at home to receive and sign for the documentation.

Thank you very much for your support and patronage over the years. We wish you great success this spring/summer. Be safe out there!

Richardson Ground Squirrels: The First Sign of Spring

You are probably already seeing the first sign of spring—gophers! Also known as Richardson ground squirrels or two-striped ground squirrels, these burrowing rodents emerge from hibernation as soon as the snow melts and temperatures warm above freezing.

The male gophers are the first to appear, typically emerging as soon as conditions allow. Females follow about one to two weeks later, beginning a reproductive cycle that will rapidly expand local populations. With a 28-day gestation period and an average litter size reaching 10 kits, a few early gophers will quickly turn into a mess if left unchecked.

Effective management begins as soon as the gophers emerge, when control methods have the highest impact.

Zinc phosphide, a highly effective single-dose toxicant, must be pre-baited so gophers become accustomed to the feed before the treated product is applied. It can be used for spot treatments or broadcast across problem areas.

Rozol, a multi-dose anticoagulant, and Ramik baits are additional options used where repeated feeding is expected. These must be consumed over several days to be effective, so work well for bait stations.

Phostoxin, commonly used for a grain fumigant, is another early-spring treatment useful for problem areas. It requires moist soil to activate properly and remain in the burrow. It cannot be used near buildings.

Bait stations work well with the multi-dose anticoagulants, but must be kept full at all times to remain effective.

For producers seeking non-chemical options, several alternative control methods remain in use. Shooting, trapping, CO₂ devices, gas cartridges, explosive tools, and burrow machines all offer varying levels of effectiveness depending on field conditions and the severity of the infestation. However, for control to have a true impact over time, you must kill 70-80% of the gophers in an area. Less than that and they will simply repopulate in the unused burrows.

Pocket gophers are a completely different species. These small rodents do not ever appear above ground and are managed differently. Their mounds are smaller and do not have a visible opening. Strychnine, burrow machines, trapping, and fumigation are the primary tools for controlling these underground pests.

Spring Oil, Filter & Tire Sale

Large Truck Tires



Passenger & Light Truck Tires



Tractor Tires



Implement Tires



11% off

when paid by the 15th of the following month

Our oils meet or exceed your equipment's required specifications... keeping your warranties valid.

Sale ends April 30. Call or stop by one of our locations today!



Manage Your Co-op Business Anytime with the Grower 360 App

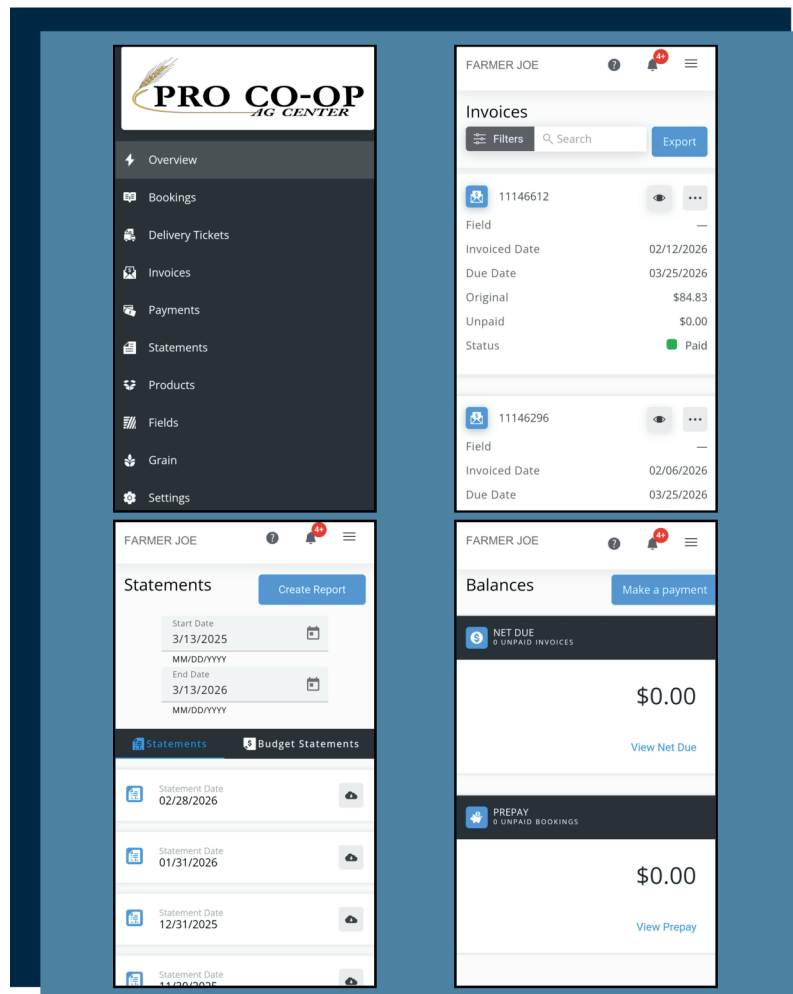
Keeping track of your operation shouldn't mean sorting through stacks of paperwork or waiting for your monthly statement to arrive. With the Grower 360 app, you can quickly access your account information with the co-op anytime, anywhere. As we head into a busy spring season, now is the perfect time to get your account set up so the information you need is always at your fingertips.

Through the Grower 360 app, you'll have access to:

- Monthly statements and invoice history
- Fertilizer load tickets
- Electronic signing for fertilizer contracts
- Product bookings and payment history
- Current account balance with payment due date
- Grain settlement summaries
- Enrollment to pay bills via ACH

Whether you're in the field, the shop, or at home, Grower 360 makes it easy to stay connected to your account. The app can be accessed from your smartphone or any web browser on your computer.

To get started, contact Gwynn Simeniuk to set up your account today: gsimeniuk@procoopag.com or (406) 724-7040.



Seed Treatments: Set Your Crop Up for Success

Spring planting in no-till systems often brings cold, wet conditions, making seed treatments a valuable investment for protecting early crop development. The right treatment helps guard against soil-borne diseases, insect pressure, and environmental stress while improving seedling vigor. Since stand establishment can't be corrected after planting, planning ahead is key to setting your crop up for success.

When selecting a seed treatment, it's important to consider four main factors: disease, insects, vigor, and environment. Root diseases like Fusarium and Pythium can reduce stands, while pests such as wireworms and cutworms can cause significant damage early on. Seed vigor also plays a major role—strong germination and root development are essential for nutrient and moisture uptake. Additionally, challenging conditions like cold, dry, or overly wet soils can impact emergence, making protection and support even more critical.

There are a wide range of seed treatment options available for both cereals and pulse crops, including products that target specific insects, enhance root development, or combine fungicides with biostimulants. Custom blends are also available to match your specific needs, but they may require advance ordering to ensure availability for the season.

With so many options, choosing the right seed treatment doesn't have to be complicated. Talk with your agronomist about your operation, field conditions, and budget to find the best fit. Year after year, seed treatments continue to prove their value in helping crops get off to a strong, healthy start.

Spring Grain Storage: Stay Ahead of Spoilage

- Warming temps and sun exposure increase spoilage risk—monitor closely
- A 10°F rise can cut storage life in half
- Run aeration fans and ventilate bins to keep grain cool
- Check grain every 2 weeks for temp, moisture, and insects
- Dry grain to safe summer levels (wheat 13%, barley 12%, etc.)
- Watch grain bags closely—heat and moisture shift quickly.
- Always follow grain handling safety practices.