

Flax Seeding Rate

Trial ID: 2022-FP02 — R.M. of De Salaberry

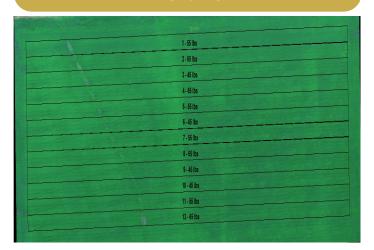
Objective: The purpose of this project is to quantify the agronomic and economic impacts of reducing and increasing normal seeding rate in flax.

Summary: There was no significant yield difference between seeding rates of 45, 55 and 65 lbs/ac. As a result, there was a decrease in profit equivalent to the increase in seed cost for the higher seeding rates.

Trial Information

| Treatment | 45 lbs vs. 55 lbs vs. 65 lbs |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Soil Texture | Clay |
| Previous Crop | Canola |
| Tillage | Conventional |
| Seeding Equipment | 50' Hoe Drill |
| Seeding Date | June 06 |
| Variety | CDC Rowland |
| Germination | 94% |
| Row Spacing | 10" |
| Harvest Date | October 11 |

RGB Imagery August 13



Flax Response

| | Plants/ft ² | TWT (kg/hL) | Grade |
|--------|------------------------|-------------|-------|
| 45 lbs | 39 | 71 | 1.0 |
| 55 lbs | 46 | 71 | 1.0 |
| 65 lbs | 48 | 71 | 1.0 |

Precipitation[†] (mm)

| | May | June | July | Aug | Total |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Rainfall | 77 | 68 | 89 | 175 | 409 |
| Normal | 52 | 86 | 63 | 68 | 269 |
| % Normal | 149% | 79% | 141% | 259% | 152% |

†Growing season precipitation (mm) - May 01—Aug 31

Overall Yield & Economics

| | Mean (bu/ac) | Cost [†] | Change in Profit/ac ^{††} | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| 45 lbs | 45.5 | \$52/ac | +\$12/ac | | |
| 55 lbs | 45.6 | \$64/ac | \$0/ac | | |
| 65 lbs | 46.6 | \$75/ac | -\$11/ac | | |
| P-Value | 0.3920 | | Economics: There is an increase in profit for the lower seeding rate due to | | |
| CV | 2.16% | the lower cost of seed/a | the lower cost of seed/acre. | | |
| Significance | No | | | | |

[†]Based on MB Agriculture 2022 Cost of Production Guidelines (\$64.96/ac)

^{††}Change in profit is calculated as the difference in cost between seeding rate treatments.



