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Disease Forum Benefits Chickpea Industry

The Situation

Chickpeas are a promising alternative crop in north central Idaho. However, the occurrence of a foliar disease, chickpea blight, threatens the chickpea industry. New control strategies are needed to manage this serious disease.

Our Response

A coalition of growers, private enterprise, U.S. Department of Agriculture researchers, and extension specialists organized to present an educational forum about the management of *Ascochyta* blight of chickpeas.

- A grower forum was held to educate producers, agri-support, and other.
- New information on chickpea varieties and fungicide efficacy was presented.

Our goals

- To review the culture and husbandry of chickpea production.
- To evaluate and understand the effectiveness of fungicides for the control and management *Ascochyta* blight.

Program Outcomes

A survey showed 99 percent of the 125 people who attended the educational forum indicated there is a good to excellent chance they will use the information in their farming or agri-support activities.

The future

Continue to promote chickpeas as an alternate crop and to provide disease management, culture, and husbandry information.

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