# 2004 Annual Report on Subcontracted Research to The Institute for Biobased Products by Peggy F. Lamb and Gregg R. Carlson Department of Research Centers – Northern Agricultural Research Center, Havre

## Activities Summary

## **Research Conducted:**

# 1. <u>Multi-Specie Evaluation of Alternative Oilseed Crops for Adaptation and Production in Northern Montana</u> for Use as Biobased Fuels and Lubricants

This trial was conducted in conjunction with four other Research Centers (CARC, NWARC, SARC, and WTARC). Entries consisted of nine (9) different species and twenty (20) cultivars or lines. Specie and varietal adaptation of oilseed crops was evaluated in different parts of the state focusing on seed yield, oil quality and oil quantity, while also measuring an array of plant characteristics including percent stand, plant count, flower date, plant height, percent shatter, seed moisture and test weight. The objective of the trial is to determine which oilseed species or varieties will have the best seed yield and oil production while further determining the oilseed that will be best suited for biobased fuel and lubricant applications.

## 2. Oilseed Management Evaluations

This trial was designed and conducted only at Northern Agricultural Research Center (NARC), and focused on the effect of seeding date and nitrogen fertilizer application rate on canola, mustard and safflower seed yield, oil quality and oil quantity, while also measuring an array of plant characteristics including percent stand, plant count, flower date, plant height, percent shatter, seed moisture and test weight. Each crop was planted at two seeding dates (April 20 and May 3), and with three rates of top dressed N (0, 35 and 70 lbs/ac) actual nutrient using granular Urea. The objective of this trial was to determine the best combination of seeding date and top dressed nitrogen fertilizer rate for seed and oil production under dryland, minimum input, no-till cropping conditions for biobased fuel and lubricant end-use applications.

## 3. Safflower Cultivar Evaluations

This 36-entry trial was conducted at NARC and selected other Research Centers in Montana and North Dakota, and focused on evaluating existing and experimental cultivars under traditional management methods to determine seed yield and oil quantity and quality, while also measuring an array of plant characteristics including percent stand, flower date, plant height, percent shatter, seed moisture and test weight

## Summary of Results (field and laboratory):

Agronomic and economic performance data for 1) multi-specie evaluation of alternative oilseed crops, 2) oilseed management evaluations, and 3) safflower cultivar evaluations are summarized in Tables 1, 2 and 3, respectively. Associated site resource and management data specific to each investigation and/or individual entries within an investigation follow the performance data table for each overall investigation grouping. At this reporting, laboratory analyses for percent seed oil are still pending for crop entries other than safflower.

### 1. Multi-Specie Evaluation of Alternative Oilseed Crops

'Montola 2004' safflower produced the highest yield at 2046.7 lb/ac, with no other entry yielding the same, statistically (Table 1). The two sunflower varieties, 'CL340' and '8442NS' yielded 1857.1 and 1849.9 lbs/ac, respectively. At a market price of \$10.94 per hundred weight on February 11, 2005, the sunflower would have produced a gross return of \$202.38 to \$203.17 per acre with no other crop related expenses taken into account. There was no other entry to produce a gross return statistically equal to that of the sunflower varieties. The lowest yielding cultivar was soybean, with 'Jim' and 'Surge' producing 2.7 and 3.5 bu/ac, respectively. As previously thought, soybeans are currently not a crop that can be feasibly and economically produced under dryland conditions in north central Montana, mainly due to low nighttime temperatures and lack of sufficient moisture during the summer months. Camelina, a crop new to Montana, may have good agronomic potential for oilseed producers. The gross return for camelina was lower than that of sunflower, safflower and flax, but higher than that of canola, crambe, mustard, rapeseed and soybean in 2004.

#### 2. Oilseed Management Evaluations

The canola, mustard and safflower seeded on April 20 out yielded the same species seeded on May 3 (Table 2). Safflower seeded early with 0 or 35 lb/ac of top dressed N out yielded all other entries in the trail at 1928 and 1779.3 lb/ac, respectively. However, when applying the February 11 market prices to the different commodities, early seeded mustard with 70 or 35 lb/ac of top dressed N produced \$173.27 and \$165.95, respectively. The only other entry to yield statistically equal to the two mustards was the early seeded safflower with no top dressed N application at \$165.62 per acre. Again there was no production costs associated with the different crops addressed in this dollar per acre assessment.

#### 3. Safflower Cultivar Evaluations

Seed yield among the 36 common varieties and experimental lines ranged from 962 to 1395 lb/ac, and percent oil ranged from 32 to 48 (Table 3). Seed yield between entries was not statistically significant. Ten-year comparable averages for seed yield and oil quantity is presented in Tables 4 and 5. This trial is utilized mainly by Eastern Agricultural Research Center to determine lines adapted to north central Montana and across the state. New lines that are determined to be of benefit to the oilseed industry are eventually released for production.

#### **Publications Generated:**

2004 annual report of preliminary data to the NARC Advisory Council and the general public. Formal scientific publications will not be prepared until at least three years of data have been collected.

#### Graduate Students/Post Doctoral Fellows:

None directly associated with Northern Agricultural Research Center in 2004.

#### **Impact Statement**

# Cooperatives or Small Businesses Formed or Helped:

This information is of assistance to the "Peaks & Prairies Oilseed Cooperative" and other individuals or groups interested in producing oilseeds by attempting to determine which oil producing plant species and/or variety is best suited to grow and produce quality oil under north central Montana environments. The economics of the individual crops may be further evaluated after a sufficient amount of data has been collected.

# Public Meetings Related to BPI:

1. County Agent Updating (approx. 30 Extension personnel, NARC, May 12-13, 2004).

- 2. Certified Crop Advisor Training (approx. 30 chemical dealers, agricultural consultants, seed dealers, fertilizer dealers, and other CCA certification holders, NARC, June 29, 2004).
- 3. NARC Public Field Day (approx. 90 farmers, ranchers, media representatives, Extension personnel, scientists, and other interested individuals from the Hi-Line area attended the Oilseeds tour portion of the overall Field Day program, NARC, July 15, 2004).
- 4. NARC Advisory Council (approx. 22 farmers, ranchers, and Extension personnel, Havre, February 22, 2005).

1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ YIELD OIL RETURN MARKET Species CULTIVAR or SELECTION STAND PLANT FLOWER PLNT HT SHATTER MOISTURE TEST WT % COUNT DATE Inches % Lb/Ac % Lbs/Bu % \$/ac \$ Celina 100.0 17.5 34.6 9.2 792.3 3.8 52.3 \$71.31 \$0.09/lb Camelina 188.0 pnda 5.9 Canola Cheetah 98.3 186.3 33.3 0.8 140.6 3.4 51.9 \$10.40 \$7.40/cwt pndg 5.9 35.5 292.0 Canola CHS2061 98.6 185.7 1.7 3.4 51.1 \$21.61 \$7.40/cwt pndg Canola CHS905 97.4 5.5 182.0 38.8 0.8 295.5 3.4 50.5 \$21.87 \$7.40/cwt pndg 186.7 Canola Crosby 96.9 6.5 35.2 1.7 187.7 3.3 50.4 pndg \$13.89 \$7.40/cwt Canola Minot 99.6 9.6 185.0 33.1 0.8 282.8 3.5 52.1 pndg \$20.93 \$7.40/cwt Canola Oscar 99.4 7.8 186.8 33.4 0.0 290.2 3.5 53.2 pndg \$21.47 \$7.40/cwt Crambe Meyer 99.6 9.8 190.0 31.4 10.0 646.5 5.3 20.7 pndg \$38.40 \$5.94/cwt \$150.05 Flax Omega 100.0 33.6 191.3 21.1 0.0 767.5 4.0 53.4 pndg \$19.55/cwt Pembina 100.0 29.9 20.9 53.3 \$137.07 Flax 191.3 0.0 701.1 4.1 pndg \$19.55/cwt 97.8 Mustard Amulet 9.0 185.2 37.0 0.0 268.1 3.8 52.7 pndg \$31.34 \$11.69/cwt Rapeseed Garnet 100.0 7.5 184.2 31.7 3.3 252.4 3.4 51.3 pndg \$30.77 \$12.19/cwt Rapeseed Gem 99.2 7.4 184.0 34.6 3.3 289.8 3.4 50.7 pndg \$35.33 \$12.19/cwt 99.4 8.2 2.5 Rapeseed Sterling 185.5 31.2 154.5 3.4 51.3 pndg \$18.83 \$12.19/cwt Safflower MT2004 90.4 2.9 214.0 25.9 0.0 2046.7\*\* 5.5 42.3 41.3 \$175.81 \$8.59/cwt Safflower Nutrasaf 97.5 3.8 215.7 30.2 0.0 1710.9 4.6 38.2 55.6 \$146.97 \$8.59/cwt Soybean Jim 98.7 3.7 194.0 9.4 90.0 161.7 8.6 58.6 \$12.83 \$4.67/bu pndg Soybean Surge 98.6 2.8 196.3 8.1 0.0 211.2 8.6 57.9 \$16.76 \$4.67/bu pndg Sunflower 8442 NS 100.0 0.4 196.8 46.4 0.0 1849.9 6.8 32.5 \$202.38\* \$10.94/cwt pndg Sunflower CL340 100.0 0.4 216.3 46.0 0.0 1857.1 6.8 33.2 \$203.17\*\* \$10.94/cwt pndg EXPERIMENTAL MEANS 98.6 8.9 192.3 30.9 6.2 659.9 69.1 LSD (0.05) 1.5 8.5 10.2 5.7 1.9 121.9 11.4 C.V.: (S/MEAN)\*100 1.3 27.4 4.6 6.3 26.1 16.1 14.4 ---

 

 TABLE 1. Oilseed Multi-specie Evaluation Nursery Grown Under No-Till Dryland Fallow Conditions. Northern Agricultural Research Center. Havre, Montana. 2004. (Exp# 04-OC01-OC)

1/ No. of Days from January 1 (192 = July 10)

2/ Volumetric yields are based on plot weights adjusted to a uniform 8 percent grain moisture for camelina, canola crambe, flax, mustard,

rapeseed and safflower and a uniform 10 percent grain moisture for soybeans and sunflower.

3/ Oil percentage values are reported on a 92% dry matter basis.

4/ Gross Return does not take into account any input costs associated with the crop.

5/ Price quotes as of 2/11/2005, USDA-FSA, Havre, MT. Camelina price estimate from Dr. Duane Johnson, Institute for Bio-Based Products (\$0.08 to \$0.09 per lb - used the \$0.09 per lb figure).

\*\* Indicates highest ranking entry within a column.

\* Indicates entries ranking equal to the highest ranking enty within a column based on Fisher's protected LSD (p=0.05).

|                         | Site R | esource & Management Dat    | a: (Exp# 04 | -0C01-0C)                   | ;            |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Field                   | An-1-6 | SaltHaz(MMHOS/cm)6-24"      |             | 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | *            |
| Quarter                 | NW     | Soil Texture 0-6"           | CL          | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | *            |
| Section                 | 32     | Soil Texture 6-24"          | CL          | Fertilizer Formulation      | Gran.Blend   |
| Township                | 32N    | Soil Texture 24-36"         | CL          | Fertilizer Placement        | Bnd at PIntg |
| Range                   | 15E    | Soil Texture 36-48"         | CL          | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) N       | 0            |
| Latitude                |        | Init Zn (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.4         | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) P2O5    | 40           |
| Longitude               |        | Init Mn (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.8         | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) K2O     | 25           |
| Soil Series             |        | Init Cu (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.6         | Herbicide App. Date         | na           |
| pH 0-6"                 | 8.1    | Init Fe (ppm) 0-6"          | 3.1         | Herbicide Product           | none         |
| Org.Matter (%) 0-6"     | 1.2    | CEC 0-6"                    | 21.8        | Herbicide Rate (/ac)        | na           |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 0-6"    | 40     | Init PAW (in.) 0-6"         | 0.87        | Precip (in.) PInt'g-Harvest | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 6-24"   | 72     | Init PAW (in.) 6-24"        | 2.56        | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 24-36"  | 84     | Init PAW (in.) 24-36"       | 1.70        | Harvest Date                | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 36-48"  | 96     | Init PAW (in.) 36-48"       | 1.79        | Rooting Depth (in.)         | *            |
| Init P (ppm) Olsen 0-6" | 11     | Cropping System             | NT-ChmFlw   | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"         | *            |
| Init K (ppm) 0-6"       | 254    | Planting Date               | *           | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"        | *            |
| Init S (ppm) 0-24"      | 31     | Planting Depth (in.)        | *           | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"       | *            |
| Init Na (MEQ/100g) 0-6" | 0.09   | Moist Soil Depth @PInt'g    | 48+         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"       | *            |
| SaltHaz (MMHOS/cm) 0-6" | 0.84   | Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g | *           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post      | *            |

\* See individaul crop details.

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|---|--------------|--|--------------|---|--------------|
| Camelina  |              | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | 0.45         |
| Planting Date   | 4/30         | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 7.92         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | 1.37         |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 0.125        | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | 1.15         |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g                               | 0.125        | Harvest Date   | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | 1.81         |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 38"          | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | 0.00         |
| O-mala  |              |  | n a da       |   | 0.45         |
| Canola<br>Diantina Data                                   | 4/20         | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | 0.45         |
| Planting Date   | 4/30<br>0.25 | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest<br>Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest | 7.92<br>6.79 | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | 1.95         |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      |              |  |              | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | 1.42         |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g<br>2" Soil Temp (°F) @ PInt'g | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 8/11<br>34"  | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | 1.96         |
|   | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 34           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | 0.00         |
| Crambe  |              | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | na           |
| Planting Date   | 5/6          | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 9.48         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | na           |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 0.5          | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 8.16         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | na           |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g                               | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 9/7          | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | na           |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | na           |
|   |              |  |              |   |              |
| Flaxseed  | 1/0.0        | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | 0.46         |
| Planting Date   | 4/30         | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 7.92         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | 1.57         |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 0.5          | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | 1.43         |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @Plnt'g                               | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 8/15         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | 2.16         |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 37"          | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | 0.00         |
| Mustard   |              | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | 0.45         |
| Planting Date   | 4/30         | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 7.92         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | 1.59         |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 0.5          | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | 1.28         |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g                               | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | 2.04         |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 32"          | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | 0.00         |
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| Rapeseed  | 4/30         | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg<br>7.92 | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"<br>Post PAW (in.) 6-24"     | 0.50         |
| Planting Date<br>Planting Depth (in.)                     | 0.5          | Precip (in.) PInt'g-Harvest<br>Precip (>.1) PInt'g-Harvest | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 8-24<br>Post PAW (in.) 24-36"    | 1.40<br>1.54 |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g                               |              | Harvest Date   | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36<br>Post PAW (in.) 36-48"   | 2.38         |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg<br>pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 30"          | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | 0.00         |
|   | pridg        | Rooting Depth (in.)  | 30           |   | 0.00         |
| Safflower   |              | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | na           |
| Planting Date   | 5/6          | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 10.76        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | na           |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 1.25         | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 9.28         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | na           |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g                               | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 10/6         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | na           |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Rooting Depth (in.)  | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                          | na           |
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| Soybean   | 5/0          | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | na           |
| Planting Date   | 5/6          | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 10.87        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | na           |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 1.5          | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 9.28         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | na           |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g<br>2" Soil Temp (°F) @ PInt'g | pndg<br>pndg | Harvest Date<br>Rooting Depth (in.)                        | 10/8<br>na   | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"<br>Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post | na<br>na     |
|   | pricy        |  | na           |   | Πα           |
| Sunflower   |              | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                 | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                             | na           |
| Planting Date   | 4/30         | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 10.87        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                            | na           |
| Planting Depth (in.)                                      | 1.5          | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                                | 9.28         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                           | na           |
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| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g<br>2" Soil Temp (°F) @ PInt'g | pndg         | Harvest Date   | 10/8         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                           | na           |

 TABLE 2.
 Oilseed Management Nursery Grown Under No-Till Dryland Fallow Conditions. Northern Agricultural Research Center. Havre, Montana. 2004.

(Exp# 04-OC02-OC)

| SPECIES       | PLANTING DATE / N       | STAND<br>% | PLANT<br>COUNT | 1/<br>FLOWER<br>DATE | PLNT HT<br>Inches | SHATTER<br>% | 2/<br>YIELD<br>Lb/Ac | MOISTURE<br>% | TEST WT<br>Lbs/Bu | 3/<br>OIL<br>% | 4/<br>RETURN<br>\$/ac | 5/<br>MARKET<br>\$ |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Canola        | Early / 0 # N Topdress  | 95.6       | 3.9            | 179.0                | 109.7             | 0.0          | 714.3                | 3.5           | 52.7              | pndg           | \$52.85               | \$7.40             |
| Canola        | Early / 35 # N Topdress | 97.5       | 5.0            | 179.0                | 105.4             | 0.0          | 781.9                | 3.5           | 52.7              | pndg           | \$57.86               | \$7.40             |
| Canola        | Early / 70 # N Topdress | 94.4       | 3.4            | 179.0                | 109.6             | 0.0          | 620.6                | 3.5           | 52.7              | pndg           | \$45.92               | \$7.40             |
| Canola        | Late / 0 # N Topdress   | 100.0      | 9.2            | 190.3                | 87.3              | 0.0          | 80.2                 | 3.5           | 52.2              | pndg           | \$5.93                | \$7.40             |
| Canola        | Late / 35 # N Topdress  | 100.0      | 10.8           | 190.3                | 83.6              | 0.0          | 40.4                 | 3.6           | 52.2              | pndg           | \$2.99                | \$7.40             |
| Canola        | Late / 70 # N Topdress  | 99.4       | 10.4           | 190.0                | 85.2              | 0.0          | 44.8                 | 3.6           | 51.8              | pndg           | \$3.31                | \$7.40             |
| Mustard       | Early / 0 # N Topdress  | 96.8       | 7.0            | 172.3                | 125.1             | 1.8          | 1313.0               | 3.9           | 54.2              | pndg           | \$153.49              | \$11.69            |
| Mustard       | Early / 35 # N Topdress | 96.9       | 5.4            | 172.5                | 130.2             | 2.0          | 1419.6               | 3.7           | 55.1              | pndg           | \$165.95*             | \$11.69            |
| Mustard       | Early / 70 # N Topdress | 97.6       | 5.8            | 170.8                | 134.8             | 2.0          | 1482.2               | 3.7           | 55.1              | pndg           | \$173.27**            | \$11.69            |
| Mustard       | Late / 0 # N Topdress   | 98.5       | 13.5           | 183.5                | 91.1              | 0.0          | 412.5                | 3.8           | 54.1              | pndg           | \$48.22               | \$11.69            |
| Mustard       | Late / 35 # N Topdress  | 99.7       | 12.7           | 183.3                | 105.9             | 0.0          | 448.0                | 3.7           | 54.5              | pndg           | \$52.38               | \$11.69            |
| Mustard       | Late / 70 # N Topdress  | 98.6       | 16.4           | 183.0                | 103.0             | 0.0          | 382.2                | 3.7           | 54.6              | pndg           | \$44.68               | \$11.69            |
| Safflower     | Early / 0 # N Topdress  | 92.5       | 3.0            | 212.0                | 91.3              | 0.0          | 1928.0**             | 6.6           | 42.4              | 50.2           | \$165.62*             | \$8.59             |
| Safflower     | Early / 35 # N Topdress | 94.3       | 5.0            | 212.0                | 77.4              | 0.0          | 1779.3*              | 6.3           | 42.5              | 50.4           | \$152.84              | \$8.59             |
| Safflower     | Early / 70 # N Topdress | 98.3       | 4.2            | 212.0                | 89.7              | 0.0          | 1543.9               | 6.4           | 42.4              | 50.4           | \$132.62              | \$8.59             |
| Safflower     | Late / 0 # N Topdress   | 87.4       | 4.2            | 218.0                | 73.4              | 0.0          | 1473.2               | 7.4           | 41.3              | 51.3           | \$126.54              | \$8.59             |
| Safflower     | Late / 35 # N Topdress  | 90.3       | 4.7            | 218.0                | 74.1              | 0.0          | 1414.0               | 7.2           | 42.1              | 50.2           | \$121.46              | \$8.59             |
| Safflower     | Late / 70 # N Topdress  | 88.6       | 3.5            | 218.0                | 66.5              | 0.0          | 1289.8               | 6.7           | 42.3              | 48.5           | \$110.80              | \$8.59             |
| EXPERIMEI     | NTAL MEANS              | 95.9       | 7.1            | 192.4                | 96.8              | 0.3          | 953.8                | 4.7           | -                 | -              | 89.8                  | -                  |
| LSD (0.05)    |                         | 3.5        | 2.2            | 1.5                  | 14.8              | 0.2          | 174.6                | 0.3           | -                 | -              | 17.7                  | -                  |
| C.V.: ( S / M | EAN)*100                | 2.6        | 21.6           | 0.6                  | 10.8              | 18.1         | 12.9                 | 4.6           | -                 | -              | 13.9                  | -                  |

1/ No. of Days from January 1 (192 = July 10)

2/ Volumetric yields are based on plot weights adjusted to a uniform 8 percent grain moisture.

3/ Oil percentage values are reported on a 92% dry matter basis.

4/ Gross Return does not take into account any input costs associated with the crop.

5/ Price quotes as of 2/11/2005, USDA-FSA, Havre, MT.

\*\* Indicates highest ranking entry within a column.

\* Indicates entries ranking equal to the highest ranking enty within a column based on Fisher's protected LSD (p=0.05).

|                         | Site R | esource & Management Data   | a: (Exp#04 | -0002-00                    |              |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Field                   | An-1-5 | SaltHaz(MMHOS/cm)6-24"      |            | 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | *            |
| Quarter                 | NW     | Soil Texture 0-6"           | CL+        | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | *            |
| Section                 | 32     | Soil Texture 6-24"          | CL+        | Fertilizer Formulation      | Gran.Blend   |
| Township                | 32N    | Soil Texture 24-36"         | CL+        | Fertilizer Placement        | Bnd at PIntg |
| Range                   | 15E    | Soil Texture 36-48"         | CL+        | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) N       | 0            |
| Latitude                |        | Init Zn (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.5        | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) P2O5    | 40           |
| Longitude               |        | Init Mn (ppm) 0-6"          | 1.1        | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) K2O     | 25           |
| Soil Series             |        | Init Cu (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.7        | Herbicide App. Date         | 4/20         |
| pH 0-6"                 | 8.0    | Init Fe (ppm) 0-6"          | 4.2        | Herbicide Product           | Treflan EC   |
| Org.Matter (%) 0-6"     | 0.8    | CEC 0-6"                    | 21.8       | Herbicide Rate (/ac)        | 24 oz        |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 0-6"    | 38     | Init PAW (in.) 0-6"         | 0.85       | Precip (in.) PInt'g-Harvest | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 6-24"   | 60     | Init PAW (in.) 6-24"        | 3.11       | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 24-36"  | 88     | Init PAW (in.) 24-36"       | 1.68       | Harvest Date                | *            |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 36-48"  | 76     | Init PAW (in.) 36-48"       | 1.62       | Rooting Depth (in.)         | *            |
| Init P (ppm) Olsen 0-6" | 19     | Cropping System             | NT-ChmFlw  | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"         | *            |
| Init K (ppm) 0-6"       | 188    | Planting Date               | *          | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"        | *            |
| Init S (ppm) 0-24"      | 20     | Planting Depth (in.)        | *          | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"       | *            |
| Init Na (MEQ/100g) 0-6" | 0.13   | Moist Soil Depth @PInt'g    | 48+        | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"       | *            |
| SaltHaz (MMHOS/cm) 0-6" | 0.76   | Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g | *          | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post      | *            |

\* See individaul crop details.

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|---|------|---|--------------|--|----------|
| Early Canola                            |      | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ PInt'g                                | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                          | na       |
| Planting Date                           | 4/20 | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 11.02        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                         | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 0.5  | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 7.05         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                        | na       |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                        | na       |
| 2" Soil Temp ( <sup>o</sup> F) @ Plnt'g | pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)                                       | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                       | na       |
| Early Mustard                           |      | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                          | na       |
| Planting Date                           | 4/20 | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 11.02        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                         | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 0.5  | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 7.05         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                        | na       |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                        | na       |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g              | pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)                                       | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                       | na       |
| Early Safflower                         |      | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                          | na       |
| Planting Date                           | 4/20 | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 11.02        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                         | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 1.25 | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 9.22         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                        | na       |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 10/6         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                        | na       |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g              | pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)                                       | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                       | na       |
| Late Canola                             |      | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                          | na       |
| Planting Date                           | 5/3  | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 7.92         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                         | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 0.5  | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                        | na       |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                        | na       |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g              | pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)                                       | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                       | na       |
| Lata Mastand                            | _    |   | n n d n      |  |          |
| Late Mustard Planting Date              | 5/3  | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g<br>Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest | pndg<br>7.92 | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"<br>Post PAW (in.) 6-24"  | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 0.5  | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 6.79         | Post PAW (in.) 8-24<br>Post PAW (in.) 24-36" | na<br>na |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 8/11         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36                         | na       |
| 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g              | pndg | Rooting Depth (in.)                                       | na           | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post                       | na       |
|   | F    |   |              |  |          |
| Late Safflower                          |      | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g                                | pndg         | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"                          | na       |
| Planting Date                           | 5/3  | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 10.76        | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"                         | na       |
| Planting Depth (in.)                    | 1.25 | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest                               | 8.05         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"                        | na       |
| Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g             | pndg | Harvest Date  | 10/6         | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"                        | na       |
|   |      |   |              |  |          |

Rooting Depth (in.)

Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post

na

na

2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g

pndg

# TABLE 3.Montana Safflower Cultivar Evaluation Nursery Grown On-Station Under No-Till Dryland<br/>Fallow Conditions at Northern Agricultural Research Center. Havre, Montana. 2004.<br/>(Exp# 04-7702-SA)

| ENTRY       | SOURCE              | STAND<br>% | 1/<br>FLWR<br>DATE | PLNT HT<br>Inches | YIELD<br>Lbs/Ac | MOIST<br>% | TEST WT<br>Lbs/Bu |      | OIL %<br>8%Mois. | Lbs OIL<br>8%Mois. |
|-------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------|------|------------------|--------------------|
| 13          | 00B 1397            | 92.4       | 212.3              | 27.2              | 1210.3          | 4.5        | 40.9              | 38.0 | 35.0             | 423.3              |
| 12          | 00B1027             | 93.2       | 211.0              | 26.4              | 1288.8          | 4.4        | 41.3              | 47.6 | 43.8             | 564.1              |
| 14          | 00B6144             | 93.8       | 212.0              | 25.1              | 1133.2          | 4.5        | 41.2              | 45.8 | 42.1             | 477.3              |
| 15          | 00B6878             | 96.4       | 211.3              | 27.6              | 1210.1          | 4.5        | 42.1              | 38.7 | 35.6             | 431.0              |
| 16          | 00B7583             | 90.6       | 212.7              | 26.1              | 1395.3          | 4.7        | 41.3              | 39.5 | 36.4             | 507.2              |
| 17          | 00B7627             | 94.8       | 214.7              | 28.6              | 1265.8          | 4.7        | 42.2              | 38.6 | 35.5             | 449.4              |
| 18          | 00B8208             | 95.3       | 213.0              | 27.9              | 1343.8          | 4.4        | 42.3              | 36.6 | 33.6             | 452.8              |
| 19          | 01B 7114            | 94.5       | 214.3              | 25.8              | 977.8           | 4.4        | 39.0              | 42.5 | 39.1             | 382.2              |
| 20          | 02B 1638            | 94.3       | 212.7              | 26.9              | 1036.1          | 4.6        | 40.5              | 41.0 | 37.8             | 391.1              |
| 21          | 02B 6081            | 94.5       | 212.7              | 27.0              | 1175.4          | 4.5        | 41.0              | 38.8 | 35.7             | 419.9              |
| 22          | 02B 6381            | 95.3       | 213.7              | 25.8              | 1088.9          | 4.4        | 39.7              | 45.8 | 42.2             | 459.0              |
| 23          | 02B 6674            | 96.4       | 213.0              | 24.4              | 1084.7          | 4.5        | 39.3              | 43.2 | 39.7             | 430.4              |
| 24          | 02B 8599            | 95.9       | 212.3              | 26.3              | 1040.4          | 4.8        | 42.4              | 36.5 | 33.6             | 348.9              |
| 25          | 02B 8624            | 97.9       | 214.7              | 25.2              | 1025.5          | 4.7        | 40.7              | 35.5 | 32.7             | 334.5              |
| 1           | 91B2166             | 88.8       | 215.7              | 24.8              | 1059.8          | 4.6        | 40.3              | 40.4 | 37.1             | 393.9              |
| 3           | 95B3538             | 95.3       | 214.0              | 25.8              | 1113.7          | 4.8        | 43.5              | 37.8 | 34.8             | 388.3              |
| 4           | 95B7181             | 91.4       | 212.7              | 25.7              | 1046.5          | 4.9        | 43.2              | 37.1 | 34.2             | 357.8              |
| 5           | 95B7446             | 94.8       | 212.3              | 25.4              | 1229.7          | 4.9        | 44.3              | 37.8 | 34.8             | 427.6              |
| 7           | 96B 6170            | 97.4       | 212.7              | 26.7              | 1011.9          | 4.8        | 44.3              | 39.5 | 36.4             | 368.1              |
| 6           | 96B6054             | 95.3       | 212.0              | 24.7              | 993.1           | 4.4        | 40.8              | 42.5 | 39.1             | 388.6              |
| 8           | 97B1214             | 94.5       | 212.7              | 26.1              | 962.8           | 4.5        | 38.2              | 37.2 | 34.2             | 329.5              |
| 9           | 97B1286             | 94.3       | 211.3              | 24.9              | 1326.0          | 4.6        | 42.3              | 40.9 | 37.6             | 498.5              |
| 10          | 97B1744             | 92.7       | 211.3              | 26.2              | 1298.9          | 4.6        | 42.8              | 37.9 | 34.9             | 452.9              |
| 11          | 98B 1475            | 93.5       | 211.0              | 28.3              | 1206.0          | 4.3        | 41.1              | 39.1 | 35.9             | 433.5              |
| 29          | CENTENNIAL          | 95.8       | 213.7              | 27.0              | 1130.6          | 4.4        | 41.3              | 43.6 | 40.1             | 453.4              |
| 36          | ERLIN               | 92.2       | 212.0              | 24.7              | 1376.7          | 4.4        | 39.8              | 41.0 | 37.7             | 520.6              |
| 35          | FINCH               | 92.7       | 212.3              | 29.0              | 1276.5          | 4.8        | 43.0              | 37.5 | 34.5             | 440.6              |
| 26          | HYBRID 9022         | 94.0       | 213.3              | 25.9              | 1237.3          | 4.7        | 43.6              | 32.7 | 30.1             | 372.7              |
| 27          | HYBRID 9048         | 93.8       | 214.3              | 26.7              | 1246.8          | 4.7        | 41.1              | 34.2 | 31.4             | 391.6              |
| 30          | MONTOLA 2000        | 94.8       | 211.7              | 24.8              | 1113.7          | 4.3        | 39.5              | 40.5 | 37.3             | 415.2              |
| 31          | MONTOLA 2001        | 94.0       | 212.3              | 25.3              | 1074.0          | 4.7        | 41.5              | 38.6 | 35.5             | 380.7              |
| 32          | MONTOLA 2003        | 95.8       | 210.3              | 26.3              | 1110.2          | 4.5        | 40.8              | 38.0 | 34.9             | 387.8              |
| 33          | MONTOLA 2004        | 95.1       | 210.7              | 26.5              | 1257.3          | 4.7        | 42.0              | 38.6 | 35.5             | 445.9              |
| 34          | MORLIN              | 95.3       | 210.7              | 27.8              | 1359.6          | 4.8        | 43.7              | 40.3 | 37.1             | 504.0              |
| 2           | NUTRASAFF (91B3842) | 94.8       | 212.3              | 26.3              | 1048.9          | 4.3        | 40.0              | 48.8 | 44.9             | 470.8              |
| 28          | S-541               | 95.3       | 214.0              | 28.2              | 1202.1          | 4.5        | 41.1              | 44.1 | 40.5             | 487.2              |
| EXPERIMENTA | L MEANS             | 94.4       | 212.6              | 26.3              | 1165.5          | 4.6        | 41.5              | 39.9 | 36.7             | 427.2              |
| LSD (0.05)  |                     | 5.1        | 3.4                | 3.4               | 284.5           | 0.5        | 3.7               | 0.7  | 0.7              | 103.6              |
|             | AN / MEAN)*100      | 1.9        | 0.6                | 4.6               | 8.7             | 4.0        | 3.2               | 0.7  | 0.7              | 8.6                |

1/ No. of Days from January 1 (212 = July 30)

|                         | Site R | Resource & Management Da    | ta: (Exp# 04 | 4-7702-SA)                  |              |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Field                   | An-3-5 | SaltHaz(MMHOS/cm)6-24"      | 0.92         | 2" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | pndg         |
| Quarter                 | NW     | Soil Texture 0-6"           | CL           | 4" Soil Temp (°F) @ Plnt'g  | pndg         |
| Section                 | 32     | Soil Texture 6-24"          | CL           | Fertilizer Formulation      | Gran.Blend   |
| Township                | 32N    | Soil Texture 24-36"         | CL           | Fertilizer Placement        | Bnd at PIntg |
| Range                   | 15E    | Soil Texture 36-48"         | CL           | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) N       | 70           |
| Latitude                |        | Init Zn (ppm) 0-6"          | 0.5          | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) P2O5    | 40           |
| Longitude               |        | Init Mn (ppm) 0-6"          | 9.6          | Fert. Rate (lbs/ac) K2O     | 25           |
| Soil Series             |        | Init Cu (ppm) 0-6"          | 1.1          | Herbicide App. Date         | 4/20         |
| рН 0-6"                 | 7.2    | Init Fe (ppm) 0-6"          | 12.2         | Herbicide Product           | Treflan EC   |
| Org.Matter (%) 0-6"     | 0.8    | CEC 0-6"                    | 21.8         | Herbicide Rate (/ac)        | 24 oz        |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 0-6"    | 26     | Init PAW (in.) 0-6"         | 1.00         | Precip (in.) Plnt'g-Harvest | 0.81         |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 6-24"   | 48     | Init PAW (in.) 6-24"        | 3.58         | Precip (>.1) Plnt'g-Harvest | 0.81         |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 24-36"  | 80     | Init PAW (in.) 24-36"       | 2.64         | Harvest Date                | 10/6         |
| Init N (lbs/ac) 36-48"  | 60     | Init PAW (in.) 36-48"       | 2.98         | Rooting Depth (in.)         | n/a          |
| Init P (ppm) Olsen 0-6" | 24     | Cropping System             | CT-MechFlw   | Post PAW (in.) 0-6"         | n/a          |
| Init K (ppm) 0-6"       | 305    | Planting Date               | 4/23         | Post PAW (in.) 6-24"        | n/a          |
| Init S (ppm) 0-24"      | 39     | Planting Depth (in.)        | 1.25         | Post PAW (in.) 24-36"       | n/a          |
| Init Na (MEQ/100g) 0-6" | 0.08   | Moist Soil Depth @PInt'g    | 48+          | Post PAW (in.) 36-48"       | n/a          |
| SaltHaz (MMHOS/cm) 0-6" | 0.64   | Dry Surf Soil (in.) @PInt'g | pndg         | Precip (>.1) Hvst-Post      | n/a          |