PROJECT TITLE:	WESTERN REGIONAL SPRING LENTIL YIELD TRIAL
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<u>OBJECTIVE:</u>	Compare yield potential of experimental lentil breeding lines with released varieties in a northwest Montana environment.

METHODS:

Fourteen experimental lentil accessions from Washington State University and 6 named cultivars were seeded into 100 ft² plots at 8.3 seeds/ft² on 4/17/06. The soil was fertilized with 22 lbs. N/a and 104 lbs. P_2O_5/a . Stand counts were taken 5/10/06. Dates were recorded when 50% of each plot had bloomed. When the plants reached maturity (yellow leaves, hard seed) they were harvested with a plot combine. The lentils from each plot were weighed to determine yield and 100-seed samples weighed to determine seed weight (no. seeds/lb).

RESULTS:

All the entries developed excellent stands. First blooms appeared between 6/16 and 6/21. The lentils were direct combined when each plot reached maturity. Lentil yields ranged from 913 lbs/acre ('LC03600482T') to 2369 lbs/acre ('LC01602273E'). 'LC02600793L' had the largest seeds and 'LC03600482T' had the largest.

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	Stand	Bloom	Maturity	<u>Height</u>	<u>Yield</u>	Seed Wt.
<u>Cultivar</u>	pl/sqft	date	date	in in	lbs/a	#/lb
Pennell	14.9	6/18	8/6	20.7	1306	6267
LC860359L	15.4	6/21	8/7	23.7	1277	6027
LC860616L	15.7	6/16	8/8	25.0	1638	6460
LC99600747L	13.8	6/17	8/7	24.7	1270	6551
LC01600724L	15.1	6/20	8/6	20.3	1065	6579
LC02600793L	12.8	6/16	8/8	21.7	1144	5782
Merrit	13.0	6/16	8/7	21.7	1440	7008
Richlea	17.4	6/19	8/7	24.3	1704	8680
LC01602300R	16.8	6/19	8/8	23.3	1732	8934
LC02600193R	14.2	6/17	8/6	20.7	1770	8373
Eston	15.0	6/17	8/7	22.3	1235	13181
LC01602273E	16.1	6/17	8/6	22.0	2369	12506
LC01602307E	17.1	6/19	8/9	24.3	1706	10086
LC03601590E	16.1	6/18	8/7	23.0	2174	11279
Pardina	16.6	6/17	8/6	19.7	1699	11317
LC02601144P	14.8	6/17	8/8	21.7	1085	11267
Crimson	14.6	6/18	8/7	18.7	2208	12161
LC01602062T	14.9	6/17	8/8	22.0	1811	9500
LC02601276T	14.1	6/19	8/11	21.7	1358	12123
LC03600482T	13.6	6/16	8/8	16.7	913	14495
mean	15.1			21.9	1545	9429
Pr>F	0.7369			0.0003	0.0005	< 0.0001
LSD(0.05)	NS			3.2	609	856
CV(%mean)	17.4			8.7	24.0	5.5