Title: Evaluation of Sm1 Experimental Spring Wheat Lines for Resistance to the Orange

Wheat Blossom Midge (OWBM).

Objective: To evaluate insect resistance and agronomic performance of experimental spring

wheat lines northwestern Montana.

## Results:

Despite record low rain fall, significant differences were observed for height, test weight, thousand kernel weight, and number of OWBM per spike. The average number of OWBM per spike was 0.03 and ranged from 0.0 to 0.5 OWBM per spike. Plant height averaged 20.0 inches and ranged from 19.3 inches to 21.3 inches. Test weight averaged 55.9 lb/bu and ranged from 54.3 lb/bu for 12401227 to 57.6 lb/bu for 12401424 and 12400038. Thousand kernel weights averaged 25.5 grams, ranging from 21.5 grams for 12400817 to 31.9 grams for Hank.

## Summary:

Midge pressure was low at this location. Never the less, Hank, a non-resistant variety, had the greatest number of OWBM larvae per spike in comparison to the cultivars with the Sm1 resistant gene.

Table 1. Materials and Methods - Sm1 Advanced Lines - 2015

Seeding Date: 5/6/2015 Harvest Date: 8/12/2015

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Seeding Rate: 80 lb/A Soil Type: Somers Silty Clay Loam

Previous Crop: Spring Wheat Fertilizer (PP): 23-55-30-22 Tillage: Conventional Fertilizer (TD): 1.4Zn-200N

Irrigation: None Pesticide: None

PP: pre-plant, TD: top dress

Table 2. Agronomic data from the evaluation of Sm1 Advanced Spring Wheat Lines, Kalispell, MT - 2015.

|          | HT     | LOD    | $YLD^1$ | PRO <sup>2</sup> | TWT <sup>1</sup> | TKW <sup>1</sup> | FN     | OWBM   |
|----------|--------|--------|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------|--------|
| Cultivar | in     | %      | bu/A    | %                | lb/bu            | g                | sec    | #/spk  |
| 12401424 | 20.3   | 0.0    | 28.3    | 15.6             | 57.6             | 26.0             | 305    | 0.0    |
| 12400725 | 20.7   | 0.0    | 28.2    | 15.9             | 54.4             | 26.3             | 486    | 0.0    |
| 12401218 | 20.3   | 0.0    | 28.1    | 14.7             | 57.1             | 24.5             | 439    | 0.0    |
| 12401117 | 19.7   | 0.0    | 27.7    | 14.4             | 56.9             | 26.5             | 445    | 0.0    |
| EGAN     | 21.0   | 0.0    | 27.1    | 15.6             | 54.4             | 25.8             | 506    | 0.0    |
| 12401161 | 19.7   | 0.0    | 26.8    | 15.2             | 55.0             | 24.3             | 503    | 0.0    |
| 12401322 | 20.0   | 0.0    | 26.7    | 16.4             | 56.9             | 31.4             | 456    | 0.0    |
| 12400976 | 19.3   | 0.0    | 26.4    | 15.9             | 55.3             | 24.7             | 479    | 0.0    |
| 12401236 | 19.7   | 0.0    | 26.4    | 15.2             | 56.8             | 28.8             | 483    | 0.1    |
| 12401182 | 20.7   | 0.0    | 25.8    | 15.4             | 56.6             | 23.7             | 473    | 0.0    |
| 12400038 | 19.3   | 0.0    | 25.3    | 14.8             | 57.6             | 25.2             | 429    | 0.0    |
| 12401502 | 20.3   | 0.0    | 24.8    | 16.1             | 55.0             | 24.9             | 474    | 0.0    |
| HANK     | 20.3   | 0.0    | 24.5    | 15.4             | 55.2             | 31.9             | 428    | 0.5    |
| 12401277 | 20.0   | 0.0    | 24.4    | 16.8             | 56.9             | 25.6             | 466    | 0.0    |
| 12401227 | 21.3   | 0.0    | 24.2    | 15.1             | 54.3             | 23.2             | 448    | 0.0    |
| 12401935 | 19.7   | 0.0    | 23.9    | 15.7             | 55.2             | 22.4             | 455    | 0.0    |
| 12400877 | 19.3   | 0.0    | 23.5    | 16.2             | 55.3             | 22.5             | 453    | 0.1    |
| 12400592 | 20.7   | 0.0    | 22.4    | 15.7             | 55.4             | 24.4             | 492    | 0.0    |
| 12400986 | 19.3   | 0.0    | 22.2    | 16.1             | 55.5             | 22.5             | 479    | 0.0    |
| 12400817 | 19.7   | 0.0    | 21.9    | 17.0             | 55.9             | 21.5             | 466    | 0.1    |
| 12401161 | 19.3   | 0.0    | 20.4    | 16.7             | 56.6             | 28.7             | 485    | 0.0    |
| Mean     | 20.0   | 0.0    | 25.2    | 15.7             | 55.9             | 25.5             | 459.5  | 0.03   |
| CV       | 3.7    | 0.0    | 15.4    | 6.5              | 2.1              | 8.1              | 17.5   | 424.8  |
| LSD      | 1.2    | ns     | ns      | ns               | 1.9              | 3.4              | ns     | 0.2    |
| Pr>F     | 0.0318 | 1.0000 | 0.4728  | 0.1724           | 0.0056           | 0.0001           | 0.6918 | 0.0343 |

HT: height, LOD: lodging, YLD: yield, PRO: protein, TWT: test weight, TKW: thousand kernel weight, FN: falling number, OWBM: orange wheat blossom midge, ns: nonsignificant

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  adjusted to 13% moisture,  $^{2}$  adjusted to 12% moisture