Project Title: Statewide Pea Variety Trial - 2017

Objective: To evaluate pea cultivars for yield and agronomic performance in

Northwestern Montana.

Results:

A significant difference was observed for yellow pea yield. Mean yield was 96.7 bu/A, and ranged from 81.3 bu/A for PSO877MT632 to 107.7 bu/A for Nette 2010 (Table 2). Statistical difference was observed for flowering dates, with an average occurrence at 184 Julian days (July 3). Height averaged 32.8 inches at 50% flowering and 38.9 inches at physiological maturity. Statistical differences were observed for test weights with an average of 63.4 lb/bu. Protein averaged 22.4 percent with PSO877MT632 being highest at 23.6 percent. Plant density, height at pod fill, and thousand kernel weights were insignificant.

A significant difference was observed for green pea yield. Mean yield was 85.8 bu/A, and ranged from 98.9 bu/A for Arcadia to 63.0 bu/A for PSO877MT076 (Table 3). Days to flowering was significant with an average of 185 Julian days (July 4). Average heights were 32.7 inches at flowering, and 37.7 inches at pod fill. No significant differences were observed in height at physiological maturity. Test weights averaged 63.1 lb/bu, and plant density averaged 9.7 plants per square foot but with no significant difference observed amongst cultivars for these response variables. Thousand kernel weights averaged 200.0 grams and ranged from 180.0 grams for PSO826MT190 to 222.0 grams for PSO877NT457. Protein averaged 22.7 percent with Hampton being the highest at 24.1 percent.

Summary:

Despite the hot and dry summer, the pea trial yielded slightly higher than in 2016. In 2017, the nursery was planted on soil with subsurface water recharge. The mean yield for both market class was 7 bu/A greater in 2017 than 2016.

Table 1. Materials and Methods.

Seeding Date: 5/11/2017 Harvest Date: 8/19/2017
Julian Date: 131 Julian Date: 231
Seeding rate: 8 plants/sqft Soil Test: 120-13-160
Previous Crop: Winter wheat Fertilizer: 6-30-30

Tillage: Conventional Herbicide: Triflurex (pre-plant incorporated)

Irrigation: None Insecticide: Warrior II (June 6)

Soil Type: Creston silt loam

Table 2. Yellow pea agronomic data.

	PLNT	FLWR	HT FLWR	HT PF	HT PM	YLD	YLD	TWT	TKW	PRO
Cultivar	sqft	Julian	in	in	in	lb/A	bu/A	lb/bu	g	%
Nette 2010	9.7	184	34.0	39.2	43.2	6464.4	107.7	65.0	208.4	21.15
Jetset	10.3	185	37.8	38.3	41.2	6265.6	104.4	63.0	212.2	21.63
Navarro	9.8	na	25.0	38.1	37.9	6024.2	100.4	63.3	233.3	22.63
PSO826MT492	10.1	182	32.0	39.4	45.0	5999.4	100.0	63.6	217.5	22.53
Delta	13.8	185	33.8	32.4	39.4	5865.0	97.8	63.7	219.8	22.73
Universal Yellow	10.1	182	31.5	37.3	40.1	5828.3	97.1	63.6	209.5	22.80
DS Admiral	12.2	184	36.1	39.0	44.3	5793.3	96.6	62.6	212.3	21.63
PSO826MT460	8.3	182	30.5	30.0	17.1	5123.7	85.4	62.4	287.1	23.03
PSO877MT632	8.8	185	34.4	36.8	41.8	4875.3	81.3	63.8	210.7	23.60
Mean	10.3	184	32.8	36.7	38.9	5804.4	96.7	63.4	223.4	22.41
CV	22.08	0.45	5.1	13.3	14.3	5.6	5.6	1.0	16.5	2.16
LSD	ns	1.2	2.4	ns	8.2	470.5	7.8	1.0	ns	0.71
Pr>F	0.0640	0.0001	0.0001	0.1245	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0006	0.1175	0.0001

Table 3. Green pea agronomic data.

	PLNT	FLWR	HT FLWR	HT PF	HT PM	YLD	YLD	TWT	TKW	PRO
Cultivar	sqft	Julian	in	in	in	lb/A	bu/A	lb/bu	g	%
Arcadia	12.3	185	30.6	34.2	36.4	5934.6	98.9	62.7	182.1	21.08
PSO877MT499	10.5	185	34.4	40.5	40.6	5493.4	91.6	63.8	210.9	21.38
Hampton	7.8	186	31.9	34.6	34.6	5364.9	89.4	63.1	208.4	24.05
Aragorn	8.9	184	31.8	37.5	39.1	5249.0	87.5	62.4	191.7	21.90
Majoret	11.7	186	35.5	36.3	38.2	5184.7	86.4	63.3	216.7	22.50
PSO826MT190	9.8	185	36.4	37.8	na	5105.8	85.1	63.3	180.1	22.60
PS0877MT457	9.0	183	32.3	43.6	35.8	5055.7	84.3	63.6	222.0	23.93
PSO877MT076	7.7	185	28.9	36.8	37.7	3781.6	63.0	62.8	188.6	23.88
Mean	9.7	185	32.7	37.7	37.5	5146.2	85.8	63.1	200.1	22.66
CV	27.5	0.5	6.1	9.5	7.4	6.1	6.1	1.1	3.5	2.22
LSD	ns	1.3	2.9	5.3	ns	460.4	7.7	ns	10.2	0.74
Pr>F	0.1926	0.0032	0.0004	0.0246	0.1392	0.0001	0.0001	0.1222	0.0001	0.0001

FLWR: 50% flower, HT FLWR: height at flowering, HT PF: height at pod fill, HT PM: height at physiological maturity, YLD: yield, TWT: test weight, TKW: thousand kernel weight, PRO: protein, ns: nonsignificant.