



NBGA Summer Meeting

June 26, 2019

The National Barley Growers Association held their summer meeting in Jackson Hole, Wyoming on June 18-19, 2019. During the meeting, Buzz Mattelin of Culbertson, MT was elected President to replace outgoing President Dwight Little of Teton, ID. Greg Kessel of Belfield, ND was elected Vice President. Besides conducting their business meeting, the board heard from several presenters on various topics including updates on:

- Crop reports from the respective member state's directors;
- Barley export market development from the U.S. Grains Council;
- Beer production, consumption, and outlook from NBGA's brewing and malting industry members;
- Barley research priorities and new varieties from the American Malting Barley Association;
- Emerging food barley opportunities from McKay Seed Company;
- Review of crop insurance coverage availability for quality loss issues from the Risk Management Agency;
- And a review of board member responsibilities from Association Management Group.

The next meeting of the NBGA board will take place in Washington, DC on February 4-6, 2020. The annual Barley, Brews, and Boots reception on Capitol Hill will be on February 5, 2020.

The National Barley Growers Association (NBGA) is a national barley advocacy organization, working to promote U.S. sourced barley since 1989. NBGA was created to advance the national and international interests of U.S. barley producers. The work of the Association focuses on barley-producing states including Colorado, Idaho, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Washington, and Wyoming. NBGA works closely with federal policymakers, congressional offices, and regulatory agencies to ensure the concerns and priorities of barley producers in the United States are considered and represented.

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