

***Our mission: To continuously improve
the sanitation and quality of hops
used in the brewing and cellaring of great beers.***



Date	13 August, 2015
Location	4B Farms, Oregon
Purpose	Pre-Harvest Quality Visit

Attendees:	
Lori Pavlicek – 4B Farms	Larry Sidor – Crux Fermentation
	Jim Kelter – Full Sail
Bill Delema – John I. Haas	Val Peacock - HQG
Scott Dorsch – Odell Brewing	Randy Thiel – New Glarus

Operations Description

Entire harvest operation is in one large, cement building with a metal roof. Entrance to the picker is covered with bird netting, but it does have some holes. Two bird nests found in the picking area.

The drying area has insulation in the ceiling, but it is in good shape. Bird-proofing is pretty good, but could use a little attention.

The floors and walls of the cooling/baling area look to be in good shape.

Areas of Concern

Problems with birds are minor, but could be improved.

Some ceiling insulation in the NE corner of the building is showing some wear.

Overall, in pretty good shape!

Recommendations

Remove bird nests from the picking area and repair holes in bird netting.

Keep an eye on the insulation above the hop beds in the drying area. Once insulation is damaged, birds greatly accelerate the rate of decline.

***The Hop Quality Group thanks you for the privilege of working together
on our commitment to quality hops for great beers.***