

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



Date	19 August, 2015
Location	Double R Ranch, Washington - South Facility
Purpose	Pre-Harvest Quality Visit

Attendees:	
Keith Riel	Jessica Riel - HR
Kevin Riel	Zack Baitinger – New Belgium
Kevin Madsen - Steiner	Sam Tierney - Firestone
Val Peacock - HQG	Ryan Schmiede - Deschutes
Derek Stepanski - Bells	Patrick Chavanelle - Allagash

Operations Description

Picker building with open front – but normally covered with screens. These were removed for cleaning the picker. Birds seem to be under control. Security cameras!
Kiln has a wooden roof with no insulation & painted beams. Bird proofing looks good.
Cooling/conditioning bins in the baling area.
Over-all in good shape!

Areas of Concern

Dust & flaking paint control in the kiln area is a concern. Power washing would knock down any loose material, but may not be the best long term solution. Blowing out the area with high pressure air might be considered.

Recommendations

Could use more signage in the picking area reminding workers no food or drink etc., and hops are a food product.

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