

Hop Quality Group Farm Report

2016



k&k farms group

Date: August 3rd, 2016

Location: K & K Farms Group

Purpose: Pre-Harvest Quality Visit

Attendees: Derek Stepanski – Bell’s

Alec Mull – Founders

George Koskela – K & K Farms Group

Max Koskela – K & K Farms Group

Robert – K & K Farms Group

Rob Serrine – Michigan State Extension

Operations Description: Picking and Kilning is in one building. Pelletizing is in it’s own building. Both buildings were brand new. The facilities are completely enclosed. The picker is a 1983 Wolf 500 and the pelletizer is a 20 hp Lawson Mills built in 2014.

Areas of Concern: Verify that the lights in the picking and kilning building are explosion proof. There is a gap where the picker exhaust leaves the building. Magnets are not being used throughout the process except for magnet on the inlet to the pellet mill. Food grade oil is used throughout both facilities. Make sure there is an area that is designated for a breakroom, having a separate room for the employees to take a break is encouraged. Pelletizing building is clean and organized.

Recommendations: Confirm explosion proof lighting in all areas. Food grade oil is used throughout both facilities. Pelletizing building is clean and organized. All lighting in pelletizing building has protective covers. Remove all clutter from building. Overall your facilities look great.





Picking and Kilning Facility

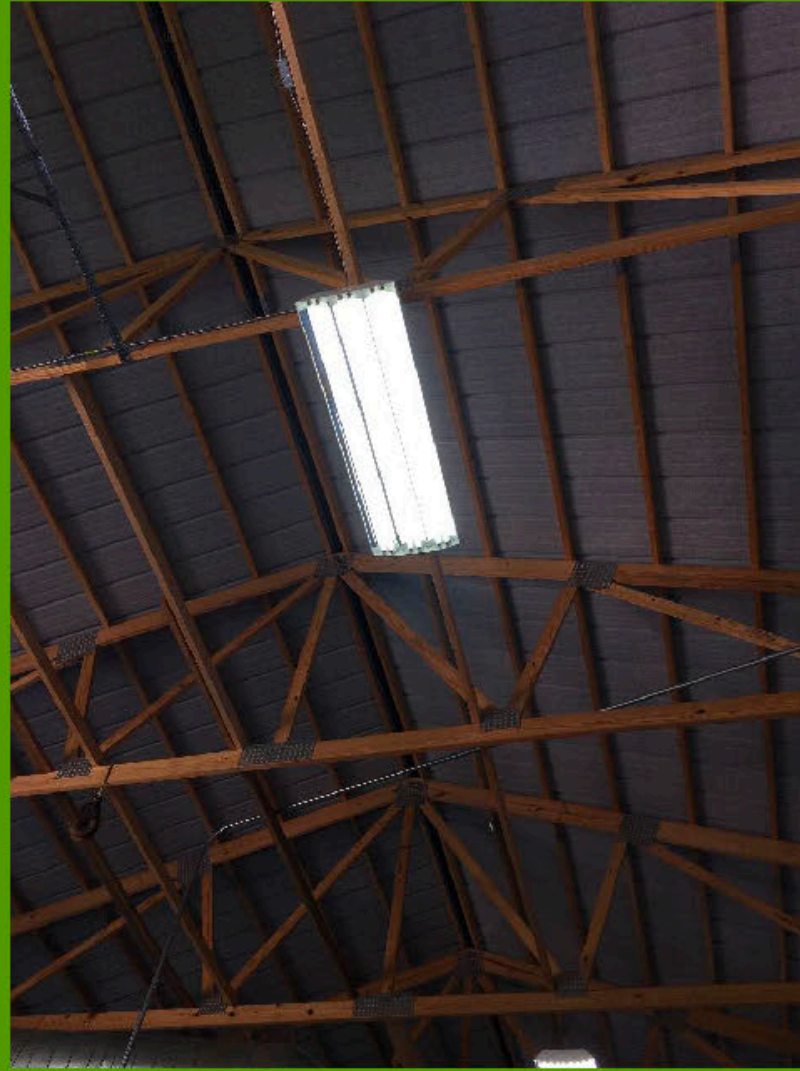


Remove general clutter





Picking Facility Ventilation



Confirm Picking Facility Lights are explosion proof



HOP QUALITY
GROUP
OILS OVER ALPHA EST. 2010



Robert, Max Koskela, George Koskela

