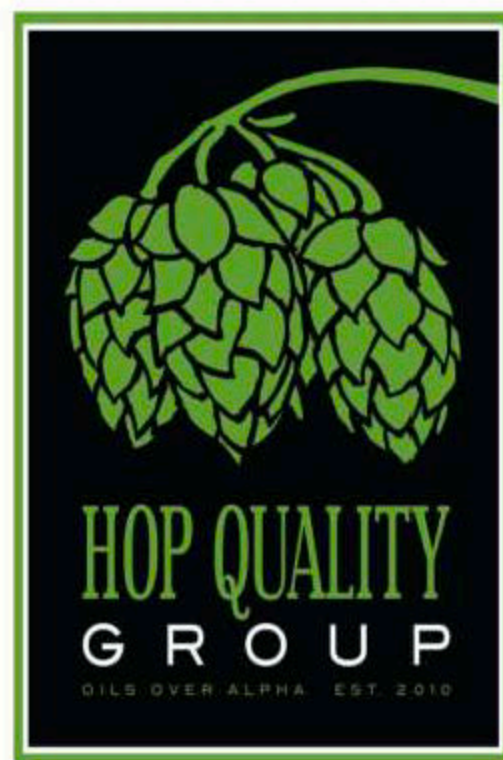


HQG Visit Date:	8/13/19
Farm/Facility:	Roy Farms/Gamache Picker
Picker Name & Grower Number(s):	#404 – Organic, #406 Conventional hops
Grower Name & Phone:	Roy Family – Tour with Sean Benson, Director of Growing Operations (509.945.7044)
Physical Address of Farm/Facility:	
Email Address:	sean@royfarms.com
Picker Type(s) & Description:	Dauenhauer (single, 1958) VC-57-5
Merchant Partners/Direct/Both?	Direct – Haas, other merchants as well

HQG Attendee & Brewery	
Jeremy Moynier – Stone	Matt Johnson – Karl Strauss
Zach Baitinger – New Belgium	Todd Roseman – Boston Beer
Mike Schneider – Boston Beer	



Operations Description:

Single Dauenhauer, well enclosed front end. Newer baling. Older, single sided kiln covered by new building. Roy Facility since the 1990s.
Facility dedicated to organics, conventional hops following organics as needed. Magnets and rodent protection in place. Bird fencing to keep birds out all over the place.
Natural gas facility. Cooling floor to be oiled with food grade product, then no street shoes on floors.
No birds, relatively clean already. Good guarding throughout facility. Well covered conveyance.
Older baling building in center of facility used as a lunch room.
Mechanically ready for harvest, needs a final clean out. Overall, facility looks to be sound and in good order.

Areas of Concern:

Couple of light bulbs should be replaced if not shatterproof/covered.
Possible small insulation repairs need to be done in kiln area.
Some unmarked spray bottles in facility.

Improvements since last HQG visit (if applicable):

1 st HQG visit; Haas accompanied HQG on visit. Haas had never been to this facility.

Recommendations:

Small repairs mentioned above – lights (as needed) and insulation. Label all bottle in facility. Otherwise, this location looks solid and well organized.

Facility looks good, we appreciate your commitment to cleanliness and quality.

Additional Comments:

What hop varieties are grown? Acreage?

- 3rd Largest hop grower. Amarillo, Bravo, Cascade, Azacca, Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Citra, CTZ, Galena, El Dorado, Nugget, Jarrylo, Pekko, Simcoe, Sterling, Summit, Warrior.

Does Grower plan any major upgrades in the near future?

- Depending on the facility, yes. Some discussion of upgrading the picking in the Home Farm.

Does Grower operate multiple facilities? If yes, how many? Facility names and locations (grower numbers)?

- Four, Main Office/Home Farm, Desserault Ranch, Toppenish and Gamache Picker

Does Grower custom pick for anyone else? If yes, who?

- Not currently.

What certifications does the grower possess, if any?

- Salmon Safe, Global gap, kosher, USDA Organic and Harvest fresh pellets are Safe Quality Certified (SQF).

Additional Comments about the operation?

- 1st HQG visit to this Roy Farms Facility
- Vest, badges and hats required in Roy Farm facilities. Check in requirements.
- Also, grower of fruits like blueberries, cherries and apples. 5-10 acres of hemp (not processed in Roy kilns)
- Good signage at all Roy facilities; solid LOTO.
- Appreciate seeing lunch room, bathrooms and handwashing facilities. Roy Farms has a dedicated person for all facilities to ensure bathroom and handwashing facilities are clean and updated. Good to see RF!
- Visited with Paul Dickman from Haas.