

HQG Visit Date:	8/13/19
Farm/Facility:	Roy Farms/Toppenish Picker (Old Hefflinger facility?)
Picker Name & Grower Number(s):	#410
Grower Name & Phone:	Roy Family – Tour with Sean Benson, Director of Growing Operations (509.945.7044)
Physical Address of Farm/Facility:	4761 Fort Road, Toppenish, WA
Email Address:	sean@royfarms.com
Picker Type(s) & Description:	2003 Perrault Picker, Wolf picker as well.
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:

Perrault picker (2003), fully enclosed in building - very well maintained. Also Wolf picker in enclosed building as well. (old Dauenhauer picker not in use on property; also, old wolf picker behind Dauenhauer machine).
Single sided kiln, baler near kiln floor. Cooling room with grates in floors.
Good 5S racking for brooms, tools, etc.
No evidence of pests, good signage.

Areas of Concern:

Falling insulation above kiln/baler needs attention before harvest.
Hose for fire suppression on kiln deck is a "forehead killer"
Motor for hop spreader/conveyor in kiln taken apart, nuts and bolts spread around – clearly a repair in process.

Improvements since last HQG visit (if applicable):

1** HQG visit to facility.
This was a self-guided tour of facility, so comments and details provided in this report might be a little limited, should visit again in next 1-2 years with a guide.

Recommendations:

Fix any hanging insulation in facility.
Amend as possible, the hose on the end of the kiln deck.
Thorough final cleaning is needed, but normal ahead of harvest. Overall, not far from being ready for harvest.
Facility looks good, we appreciate your commitment to cleanliness and quality.

Additional Comments:

What hop varieties are grown? Acreage? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3rd Largest hop grower. Amarillo, Bravo, Cascade, Azacca, Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Citra, CTZ, Galena, El Dorado, Nugget, Jarrylo, Pekko, Simcoe, Sterling, Summit and Warrior.
Does Grower plan any major upgrades in the near future? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Depending on the facility, yes. Some discussion of upgrading the picking area in the Home Farm.
Does Grower operate multiple facilities? If yes, how many? Facility names and locations (grower numbers)? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four, Main Office/Home Farm, Desserault Ranch, Toppenish and Gamache Picker
Does Grower custom pick for anyone else? If yes, who? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not currently.
What certifications does the grower possess, if any? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Salmon Safe, Global gap, kosher, USDA Organic and Harvest fresh pellets are Safe Quality Certified (SQF).• LEED certified on new picking building.
Additional Comments about the operation? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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.