

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



Date	20 August, 2015
Location	GGHR - Newhouse, Washington
Purpose	Pre-Harvest Quality Visit

Attendees:	
Danny Hallman	Zack Baitinger – New Belgium
Kevin Madsen - Steiner	Joe Palausky - Boulevard
Derek Stepanski - Bells	Anders MacCarthy – Sierra NV

Operations Description

Older, enclosed picker. They use field combines and dump the hops in conveyors outside the building.

The kiln has insulation in the ceiling – much of it was torn & sagging the previous year. Some of the insulation has been removed and fans installed to help remove moisture. Flaking paint on rafters last year has been removed and areas repainted. Looks much better than last year!

Areas of Concern

Insulation in the kiln tends to get wet, mildew, sag and tear.

Some de-lamination of plywood walls in cooling room.

Paint smell in facility fairly strong.

Recommendations

Keep an eye on the insulation in the kiln.

Next time facility painted, do it a few months before harvest.

Overall, in good shape and heading in the right direction.

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