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Following is the Agronomist's report from Leanna Schneider, CCA, for the three fields to be used during, the 2021 NOC Field Trial. The report highlights that there were no grasses of concern (Canadian Rye, etc.) found at either Site 1 (Fawver – #3 & #4 series) or Site 2 (Fedoryk – #5 series).

She did note that there was prominent population of wild parsnips in Fedoryk's field. Sap from wild parsnips can cause blistering on the skin (similar to poison ivy) when exposed to sunlight. But at this time of the year, after numerous freezing nights, the plants should be dead and the sap no longer an issue.

On Site #3 (Grosland's) she noted small amounts of Canada Rye in the field, mainly single stems plants. This field will be walked by trial committee members and other volunteers prior to the trial and all rye located will be removed. The Committee will do its best to ensure that the course areas of the fields will be cleared of all rye plants prior to the start of the trial.

Of special note, the Fawver location was the site of the 2017 NOC and the Grosland location was the site of the 2007 NOC. Should anyone have any questions concerning this report or the findings, please feel free to contact me.

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