



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **KAP Sets Policy at General Council**

**Winnipeg** – Keystone Agricultural Producers (KAP) delegates from across the province met in Portage la Prairie on April 14 to learn more about emerging issues in agriculture, and to set direction for the organization. The following resolutions were passed, and are now KAP policy:

#### **BUSINESS RISK MANAGEMENT**

##### **MASC Deductible Buy Down Increments for Excess Moisture Insurance**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba and Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation to allow producers to buy down their Excess Moisture Insurance deductibles in increments of five per cent.

##### **MASC Crop Deductibles**

**THAT** KAP along with its commodity group members, lobby the Minister of Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives along with Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation to treat all crops equitably and remove the stage two deductible.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

##### **Predator Control Programming**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba to review and improve predator control programs in Manitoba.

##### **Flooding Compensation**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba and the Government of Canada to provide fair compensation to landowners when flood prevention infrastructure causes damage and flooding to farmers' land to compensate for lost income.

#### **GRAINS, OILSEEDS AND PULSES**

##### **Equipment Sanitation for Clubroot Prevention**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba to implement and enforce a sanitation program to ensure that all farm equipment and all cross-border construction equipment destined for Manitoba is properly cleaned and sanitized.

##### **Roundup Ready Alfalfa**

**THAT** KAP support the Manitoba Forage Seed Association in its lobby efforts to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency to stop the introduction of Roundup Ready alfalfa due to loss of markets and financial loss.

### **Food Safety Program Incentive**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba and the Government of Canada to treat each commodity that a farmer produces equally under the On Farm Food Safety Programs.

### **RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE**

#### **Grain Dryer Inspections**

**THAT** KAP lobby Manitoba Labour and Immigration to improve the timeliness of grain dryer installation inspections and that inspectors be allowed to use good judgment to license grain dryers that do not comply with regulations but maintain an equivalent safety standard; further,

**THAT** KAP lobby Manitoba Labour and Immigration to publish a clear set of guidelines and requirements for grain dryer installation and operation in Manitoba.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Provincial Road Weight Limits**

**THAT** KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba to have comparable winter road weight limits to Saskatchewan.

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*Keystone Agricultural Producers is Manitoba's largest general farm policy organization, representing over 7,000 farm families and 22 commodity groups throughout the province. Our strength is our democratic structure, and our mission is to represent and promote the interests of the province's farm families.*