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## Court Decides CWB Role, For Now

**Winnipeg** – Yesterday, a federal court decided that barley will continue to be under the mandate of the Canadian Wheat Board for the 2007-2008 crop year. Following this ruling, Keystone Agricultural Producers President David Rolfe released the following statement:

“The court’s decision has clarified the barley market for Western Canadian farmers, at least temporarily. For now, farmers know that they will be dealing with the Canadian Wheat Board for malting barley and can still sell their feed barley into the open market or the CWB pool as they have in the past.

The ball is back in Minister Strahl’s court, and farmers will have to wait and see what the government’s next step will be on barley marketing. This decision will continue the debate about barley marketing and the single desk, as well as the ongoing divisiveness in the farming community and uncertainty in the marketplace.”

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