Introduction/ Overview:
The J.R. Simplot Company is a very large food and agribusiness company. It brings new ideas and approaches in plant nutrition and food processing. The company looks for new ways to feed animals, sustain ecosystems, feed a growing global population, and bring earth’s resources to life. The J.R. Simplot Company is a farm-to-table company that is involved in seed production, farming, plant science, food processing, fertilizer manufacturing, product development, and distribution.

Main Section: I was the field department’s field operations intern this Summer. My main responsibility was sampling potato fields. With the guidance of the Field Representatives, my responsibilities consisted of participating in daily crop sampling for field quality, inputting data into the Crop Progress Data System daily, observing the fields during growing season, coordinating field sampling every week, and communicating with the growers every week to know their spray schedule for their fields.

SUMMARY: I previously worked for the J.R. Simplot Company in Othello, Washington as a lab technician so I was already familiar with the company. After I started working with the company, I became aware of the many growing opportunities I had there. This is what made me want to work with the company again. My goal is to work for the company next year once I receive my degree. This internship will help me get there because it will give me the experience I will need and it will show the company that I am still interested in working with them in the future. This summer I learned that there is a lot of thought and consideration that goes into making French fries.