

# 2018 WA Commercial Potato Seed Lot Pick up & Trial Information

*Info also available each year at: [www.potatoes.wsu.edu](http://www.potatoes.wsu.edu)*

Commercial potato seed samples are requested from WA growers for the 2018 Washington Seed Lot Trial. **Two hundred whole (single drop) seed is an acceptable sample size, or 50 lbs of 4 oz single drop seed.**

**Requested: 50 lbs of 2-4 oz whole seed, no seed treatments  
We want a representative sample - if applicable, include a  
representative amount of rotten tubers!**

**(Seed over 6 oz is not acceptable)**

A representative sample is needed. Sampling the first (or last) 300 seed from the truck is not likely to provide a representative sample of the lot. Sample tags may be obtained by calling the Potato Commission at 509-765-8845.

Your assistance with collection and drop off of seed samples is needed. Seed samples may be taken to the WSU Othello Research Unit (509-488-3191), located on Booker Road ¼ mile south from State Highway 26 and about five miles east of Othello. For sample pick up and any questions regarding the seed lot trial please call:

**South Basin:** Tim Waters (509-545-3511), Mark Pavek (509-335-6861), or Zach Holden (509-335-3452).

**North Basin:** Carrie Huffman Wohleb (509-754-2011), Mark Pavek (509-335-6861), or Zach Holden (509-335-3452).

**Westside:** Don McMoran (360-428-4270), Mark Pavek (509-335-6861), or Zach Holden (509-335-3452).

In the North Basin, one seed “drop-off” has been established. It is located at Qualls Ag Labs (Mick Qualls, 509-787-4210 ext 16) on the corner of Dodson Road and Road 4; come to the front office 8 am to 5 pm. Please call the numbers below to arrange additional pick up sites. Samples will be picked up at 2:00 pm the day before each planting date (below) to be included. Growers planting in early March should drop their samples off at the Othello Research Center or store the samples and call the numbers below for pick up. For all alternative pick up locations or questions please call Mark Pavek at 509-335-6861 or Zach Holden at 509-335-3452.

## **PICK UP DATES ARE ONE DAY PRIOR TO THE PLANTING DATES BELOW**

*The seed lot planting dates for 2018 are:*

1st (Early)	March 27
2 <sup>nd</sup>	April 10
3 <sup>rd</sup>	April 24
4th (Late)	May 8

## ***2018 Potato Field Day - Thursday June 21***

This year's virus reading of the seed lots will take place on June 5 and 19  
(If plants are too small, the first reading will be moved to June 12)