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Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

**Centralization of Domestic Oversight
in Kansas City, MO**

- National Grain Center
- Centralization of Oversight
- Next Steps



National Grain Center

- Fiscal Year 2003
 - GIPSA began planning consolidation of activities to Kansas City
 - Additional space would be needed
- Fiscal Year 2006
 - GIPSA opted to contract with the General Services Administration (GSA) to find a new facility
- Fiscal Year 2007
 - GSA released a solicitation for offer for a new facility
 - Selected current facility with renovations and new addition
- Fiscal Year 2008
 - Building shell was constructed



National Grain Center

- Fiscal Year 2009
 - Telephones and associated hardware were purchased in July 2009
 - APHIS awarded contract for installation of the telephone system in September 2009
 - Contract for office furniture was awarded by GSA in August 2009
 - APHIS awarded contract for Audio/Visual systems in September 2009
- Fiscal Year 2010
 - Construction Drawings (CD's) were completed in February 2010
 - Notice to Proceed (NTP) with the construction of interior has been delayed until GSA and building owner resolve dispute over lease terms. NTP was issued in April, 2010.
 - After building permits are obtained construction should commence in May, 2010

National Grain Center

- Space increase from 34,832 to 47,050 SF
- Increased training and meeting space
- Personnel increase from 70 to 110
- Will include representatives from
 - Compliance Division
 - Field Management Division (FOSS, QAC)
 - Information Technology Staff
 - Market and Program Analysis Staff

National Grain Center

- Timeline



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| Oct 2010 | Jun 2011 | Sept 2011 |
| New Addition | Existing Building Upstairs Renovation | Existing Building Downstairs Renovation |

Central Monitoring Transition Team

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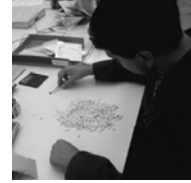
Central Monitoring: Current Status

Providing oversight of 17 official agencies
performing ~ 50 % of domestic inspections

- Grading supervision
- Equipment checking
- Licensing coordination
- Direct link between the AQAS's and BAR
- FOSS supervision of Official Agencies
- QACS review of Official Agency performance

Grading Services Lab (GSL)

- Fiscal Year 2007
 - Hired 6 inspectors with experience and located at the old Kansas City Field Office
- Fiscal Year 2008
 - Began enhanced training with BAR members
 - Moved inspectors to the Technical Center in May
- Fiscal Year 2009
 - Assumed responsibilities for Licensing
 - Hired new inspector
- Fiscal Year 2010
 - Hired GSL Leader
 - Hiring additional inspector(s)



Equipment Checktesting

- Fiscal Year 2007
 - Hired Agency Equipment Specialist
 - TSD assumed the Equipment Checktesting Program from FMD
- Fiscal Year 2008 and 2009
 - Checktesting equipment
 - Problem solving
 - Hired additional staff



Current Activities

- Implemented a shared monitoring program: AQAS 40% and GSL 60%
- BAR utilizing central monitoring to more effectively align GSL staff and AQAS's
- BAR and the GSL working together to provide Licensing services
- Expanded to include the Minot and Northern Plains Agencies in October 2009

Note: Minot and Northern Plains are not under FOSS. The BAR and GSL are providing grading services only.

Next Steps

- Implement revised equipment program based on critical control point analysis utilizing documentation and monitoring
- Develop a schedule to expand Central Monitoring to include other Official Agencies and Field Offices

Proposed Implementation Schedule

Notice To Proceed issued April, 2010

After receiving building permits construction should commence in May, 2010

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| (Phase 1) Occupancy of new facility: | October, 2010 |
| (Phase 2) Occupancy of existing building upstairs: | June, 2011 |
| (Phase 3) Occupancy of existing building downstairs: | September, 2011 |

Full implementation means:

- Centralized monitoring of grain inspection and equipment
(Agencies, States and Field Offices)
- Quality Control by QACS (Agencies, States and Field Offices)

National Grain Center Training

The National Grain Center will be able to provide nationwide and/or regional training on various topics at a centralized location. It will also be accessible to interested parties in the grain industry.

Examples of training and/or meetings held at the National Grain Center.

OBJECTIVE TESTING SKILLS SERIES

- NIRT Testing
- Mycotoxin Analyses
- Inspection Equipment Checktesting
- Rough Rice Workshop

QUALITY CONTROL SKILLS SERIES

- Statistical Thinking and Quality Control

OTHER SKILLS SERIES

- Certification
- Licensing
- Sampling
- Cusum Loading
- Container Sampling and Loading
- Diverter Sampler Approval
- Weighing

Training (continued)

SUBJECTIVE TESTING SKILLS SERIES

- QAS/AQAS Workshop
- Grain Grading Workshop
 - Pacific Northwest Market
 - Upper Midwest Market
 - Midwest Market
 - California Market
 - Eastern Market
- Rice Workshops
 - Brown Rice for Processing
 - Milled Rice
- Beans, Peas, and Lentils Grading Workshop
- Beans only
- Peas and Lentils only
- Basic Grain Grading

MEETING FACILITIES

- AAGIWA
- Advisory Committee
- GEAPS
- Foreign Trade Teams
- International Grains Program

Questions?



Thanks