

***Manitoba Corn Growers  
Association, Inc.***



# Background

- Manitoba and other areas of Western Canada moving to more special/alternative crops
- Issues such as weather, crop disease etc. have many farmers looking at cropping changes
- Increased cash prices are making corn a very attractive cropping alternative
- Acreage may double in the next 2 – 3 years





# Research Needs

- Corn Breeding to increase cold tolerance in spring – varieties that grow through cooler soils and cooler temperatures in spring
- Varieties that reach physiological maturity earlier
- Continue to increase yields in the early varieties



# Other items that affect expansion

- The need for herbicides for corn to be approved on a national basis
- Growing resistance issues make it necessary to have more 'chemical' tools in our tool kit



## In Summary

- ❖ Cold tolerance
- ❖ Earlier maturity
- ❖ Increased yield
- ❖ More herbicide options



# Questions?

