

The Process











Preparation

Licensing, genetic

sourcing, soil testing and

field preparation

Plant seedlings or clones

Planting

Growing

plants

Fertilize and monitor

Harvest

Harvest the hemp and dry the biomass

Processing

Extract and isolate compounds for consumer market





Growth Cycle





Vegetative

Initial growth stage of plant.

Light > 14 hours a day

Flowering

Final stage where plant produces resinous buds.

Light ≤ 14 hours a day



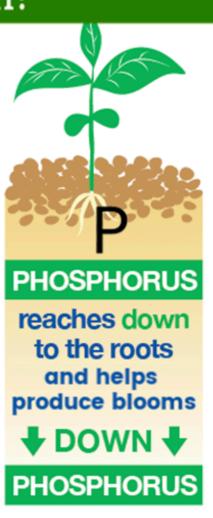


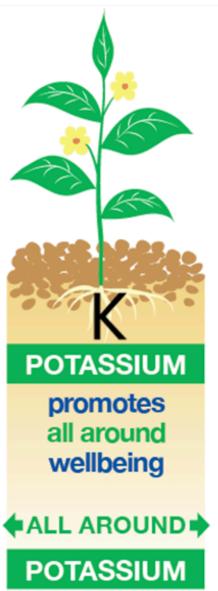


Fertilizer

What do the numbers on fertilizer mean?







Our 2019 Hemp Nutrient Program:

Nitrogen: 55.72 lbs.

Phosporus: 19.46 lbs.

Potassium: 74.02 lbs.

*Fed through fertigation and foliar

~15 lbs. of micros (incl. kelp/sugar)





Insect and Fungus Threats



A lot of flea beetles.

No real significant damage to our hemp plants. More concerned with neighboring weeds.



Leaf feeders were present in our south field (Vincennes).

Did cause damage and were attracted to the flower.



Powdery mildew is a big concern, considering Indiana's climate.

Did not affect our fields.







The Product



Extraction

Cannabinoids are extracted from the plant material using a solvent.



Purification

Specific cannabinoid is purified to remove unwanted compounds.



Infusion

The purified cannabinoid is then infused with various products and packaged.







Extraction

- Cannabinoids are extracted from dry biomass using a solvent.
 - Common solvents include:
 - Hydrocarbons
 - Ethanol
 - CO₂
- Extractions occur in a **closed loop** system in a **controlled environment**.
 - Prevent contamination
 - Ensure safety
- Every batch is **tested** to ensure it meets standards before further processing.









Purification

- Crude cannabinoid extract is purified by manipulating temperature.
 - Compounds such as plant fats, lipids, and chlorophyll are removed.









Purification

- Purified cannabinoids can be either <u>distilled</u> or <u>isolated</u>
 - <u>Distillation</u> is the process of boiling a solution to separate different compounds by boiling point.
 - Distillate can contain multiple cannabinoids that work together to create a holistic effect.
 - <u>Isolation</u> is the process of targeting a select compound and solidifying it into a pure crystalline form.
 - Isolates are by definition a single compound (e.g. CBD, THC, CBN, CBC, etc)











Purification



Cannabinoid Distillate



CBD Isolate







Infusion

- The purified CBD product (isolate or distillate) is then <u>infused</u> and/ or <u>packaged</u>.
 - Sublingual drops are made by infusing **isolate** with a **carrier oil**.
 - MCT oil, hemp seed oil, etc.
 - Topicals are made by mixing <u>isolate</u> with a <u>balm or salve</u>.
 - CBD capsules are <u>isolate</u> mixed with a filler such as powdered MCT oil or rice flour.
 - Vape cartridges are made by mixing distillate with terpenes for flavor.



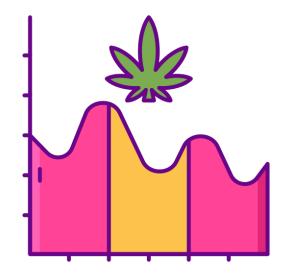


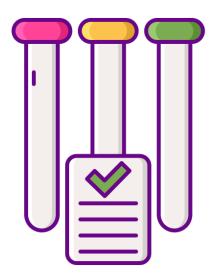




Consumer Safety

- Know Your Grow!
 - Hemp is a **bioaccumulator** and will absorb harmful materials if present in the soil.
 - CBD products made with contaminated hemp are dangerous.
- Make sure your hemp is <u>lab tested</u>
 - Labs will provide a **Certificate of Analysis (COA)** that shows what compounds are present.
 - Many COAs test only for THC, meaning products can contain <u>heavy metals</u> or <u>pesticides</u>











Indiana CCA Conference

Advising Farmers on Legal Considerations in a Heavily Regulated Crop

Adam Kline
Bose McKinney & Evans, LLP

December 17, 2019



Hemp Contract Lifecycle

Planning	Farming	Post-Harvest
State Licensing	Greenhouse Services	Drying and Milling
Genetic Selection (Material Transfer Agreements)	Guest Labor	Escrow Agreements
Growing Collaboration (Buy-Back Agreements) (Crop Share Agreements)	Custom Harvest	Storage Agreements
Agronomic and Regulatory Consulting	Bill of Lading	Biomass Sales



Genetic Selection

Grower Decision

Select Your Own Genetics Work in Collaboration with a Processor



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Selecting Your Own Genetics

- Seedlings or Cones?
- Who to buy from?









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Selecting Your Own Genetics, cont.

- Material Transfer Agreement (from genetic company)
 - Will not reproduce seed for sale or reproduction
 - Will not use the genetics to create new hybrids
 - Typically a representation about:
 - Different performance in diverse growing environments
 - Results advertised are 'informational only'
 Always require a damages provision for untimely arrival or poor quality seedlings/clones



Collaborating with a Processor

If working with a processor, there are two main types of contracts:

Buy-Back Agreements

Crop-Share Agreements





Buy-Back Agreements

- Grower buys seed from a company with the promise of selling it back at a certain price.
 - Little regulatory assistance or agronomic guidance
 - Pricing Generally: \$ / Percent CBD / lb.
 - Grower is responsible for providing dried biomass
 - This includes: drying, milling, packaging and transport
- Risks:
 - Poor quality or late genetics
 - Failure to buy-back

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Crop-Share Agreements

- Processor provides the grower certain resources in exchange for a shared interest in the crop.
 - É Example of Provided Resources: Seed, agronomic and regulatory training, harvest assistance.
 - The share is typically representative of the value provided by each party.
- Risks:
 - Grower does not have control over the genetics
 - At the risk of the processor's competency



Agronomic & Regulatory Consulting

- New growers should strongly consider
- Midwest Hemp Council Agronomic Boot camps
- Best practices for:
 - Fungus, insect, weed pressure
 - Scouting for male plants
 - Monitoring THC levels
 - Working with regulatory agency on timing of testing
 - Harvest timing



Greenhouse Services

- Key terms to negotiate:
 - Confirm the greenhouse has a research handling license
 - Greenhouse cost per seedling (if seed provided) or clone
 - Delivery dates (multiple waves / distance)
 - Risk of loss





Greenhouse Services, continued

- Materials typically provided to greenhouse:
 - Hemp research license
 - Material handling agreement (from supplier)
 - Planting expectations



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Custom Harvest

- What is your end product?
- Is all labor included or do you assist?
- Who is responsible for potential accidents?
- What are harvest timing expectations?
- Are transportation logistics a part of

the service?







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Bill of Lading

- Document provided by the grower, acknowledged by the carrier, and accepted by the delivery point.
 - Tracks hemp from field to facility
 - Hemp research license should be included
 - Typically printed in triplicate
- 100 template Bill of Ladings.
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Police seize almost 7,000 pounds of cannabis from a truck. But the company that bought it says it's all legal

By Paul P. Murphy, CNN

Updated 6:36 AM ET, Thu February 7, 2019

(CNN) — Idaho State Police says it seized 6,701 pounds of illicit marijuana from a truck passing through the state last month. The Colorado company that bought the plants in Oregon says it's legal hemp. But the truck driver caught in the middle is now facing felony marijuana trafficking charges.



Bill of Lading, continued.

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Drying and Milling

- Understand what you are getting
 - Drying
 - Conditioning (e.g., milling)
 - Packaging (what specs?)
 - Tracking procedures
 - Refrigeration options (is your processor requiring?)
 - Is the facility insured and/or bonded if there was an accident?
 - What are turnaround expectations?
- Materials you must provide; compensation timing



Storage & Escrow

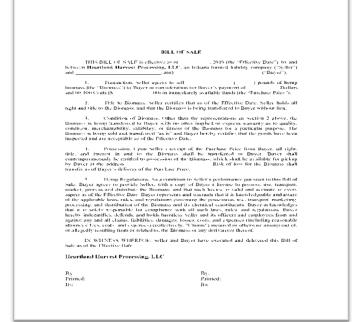
- Option of keeping biomass at a secured facility
- Benefit of escrow services (sometimes offered)
- Added cost if the grower already has storage and trusted buyer or processor relationships.



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Biomass Sales

- Legal document is typically a bill of sale
- Describes:
 - Sales Price
 - Unclouded title to the hemp
 - Biomass condition
 - Transfer of hemp possession under current <u>Indiana law requires</u> the buyer provide a copy of its hemp license at the point of sale.



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