#### Building Resilience within the Malting Barley Industry Ashley McFarland American Malting Barley Association

### WHO WE ARE

AMBA strives to encourage and support production of an adequate supply of high quality malting barley for the malting, brewing, distilling, and food industries



### **OUR WORK**

#### **Research Grant Program**



#### **Quality Evaluation Program**

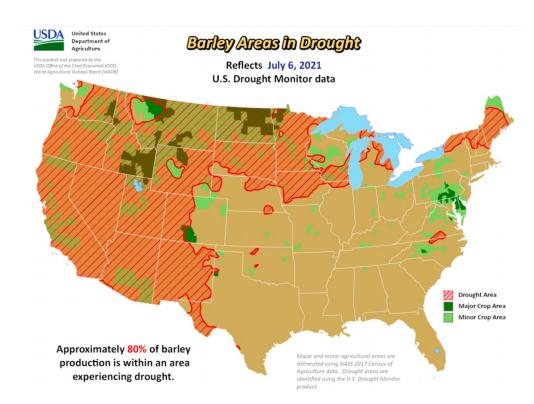


#### Advocacy & Policy



#### 2021 BARLEY CROP: PRODUCTION • Widespread drought throughout

- Widespread drought throughout dominant growing region
  - Impacts to dryland and irrigated crops
  - Reminiscent of 1988 U.S. drought
- Production was 70% of 5-year average
  - Lower yields
  - Fewer harvested acres



# **2021 BARLEY CROP: QUALITY**

- Drought stress produced quality challenges
  - High protein
  - Low kernel plumpness
- Untimely moisture
  - Preharvest sprouting
  - Idaho and Montana



## **BARLEY CROP: STOCKS**

- Low stocks leading into 2021; further depleted due to 2021 crop
- Increased demand for U.S. exports to Canada
- Increased imports (beyond Canada) in 2022
- International conflicts creating chaos in markets

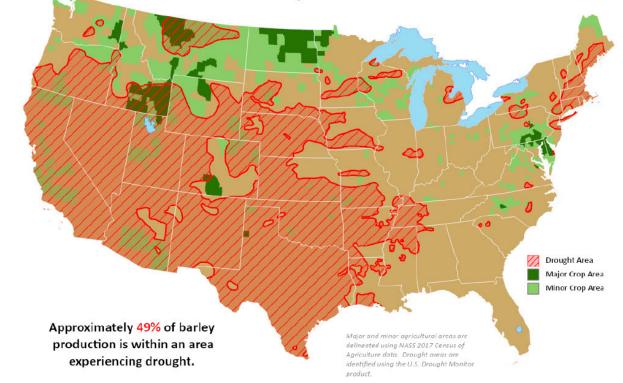




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Reflects August 9, 2022 U.S. Drought Monitor data



## **BUILDING RESILIENCE: FINDING A SPROUT BALANCE**

- Dr. Mark Sorrells
- Cornell University
- Germination traits and relationships to pre-harvest sprouting and malting quality



## **BUILDING RESILIENCE: PROMOTING QUALITY**

- Dr. Jason Walling
- USDA-ARS-CCRU, Madison
- Study of the malting quality of new barley selections



## **BUILDING RESILIENCE: BREEDING WINTER HARDINESS**

- Dr. Kevin Smith
- University of Minnesota
- Focused breeding program and coordination of the Winter Malting Barley Trial



### **BUILDING RESILIENCE: TACKLING CARBON**

Carbon Neutral Toolkit for brewers





## NATIONAL BARLEY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

- Represents the U.S. barley community of growers, researchers, processors, users, and allied industries
- Advocates on behalf of sound federal policy and funding for barley research
- Initiatives focused on sustainability and resilience







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