

## 2014 Alfalfa Quality Information

Goal-Relative Feed Value (RFV) of 150

### Quality Information from 5/27/14

A few warm days over the weekend pushed alfalfa plant growth and development. Alfalfa plant height drives quality.

PEAQ RFVs are about 15 RFV points higher than forage coming out of storage due to respiration and harvest losses. On average we lose roughly 3-5 RFV points per day depending on temperatures.

PEAQ quality measurements and scissor cuts (lab analysis) will be taken this week on May 29<sup>th</sup>.

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Location	Sample Date	PEAQ RFV	Plant Ht (inches)	Growth Stage	Comments
Haven	5/27/14	195	23	Vegetative	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Sheb. Falls	5/27/14	180	25	Early Bud	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Glenbeulah	5/27/14	175	26	Early Bud	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Batavia	5/27/14	185	25	Vegetative	2013 Seeding
Waldo	5/27/14	185	25	Vegetative	2013 Summer Seeding
Hingham	5/27/14	180	26	Vegetative	2013 Summer Seeding
Kewaskum	5/27/14	175	25.5	Early Bud	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Hartford	5/27/14	185	25	Vegetative	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
Newberg	5/27/14	195	22	Early Bud	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year

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