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 <p>Colby Brink Sales Agronomist, Legend Seeds, Pierre, South Dakota</p>	<p>Growers are very optimistic in thinking every year is going to be that year they hit the jackpot, but the reality is there's always one variable they can't control: Mother Nature. A good workhorse variety is one that performs consistently across ideal and less-than-ideal growing conditions, which is why we always plant a certain percentage of our acres to these types of varieties. This way, we know no matter what Mother Nature throws at us, we'll have something to harvest that is consistently going to be within our farm averages.</p>	<p>Camaro II medium maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>Falcon medium-early maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>N4H521 CL medium-late maturity high oleic oil</p>	<p>Camaro II Camaro II has consistently strong yields with an average plant height and good late-season plant health. This helps reduce the chances of lodging caused by high winds that typically occur late in our season. Camaro II also has more of a hanging head type, which naturally deters birds from sitting on the heads and feeding on the seeds, which can cause yield loss.</p> <p>Falcon Falcon features average plant height and good late-season plant health and dry down for ease of harvesting. The seed is treated with Plenaris fungicide, which provides good early-season downy mildew control.</p> <p>N4H521 CL N4H521 CL features excellent emergence, which enables it to be planted into cooler or wetter soils, reducing the risk of stand loss early on. In addition to excellent drought tolerance and strong resistance to multiple races of downy mildew, N4H521 CL has excellent late-season plant health, which enhances standability strength for ease of harvesting.</p>
 <p>Dave Olson Account Manager, Legend Seeds, Bloomfield, Nebraska</p>	<p>Because of the wide variety of soil types and unpredictable environmental conditions, growers need varieties that offer predictability and consistency. Top yielding varieties usually have a number of vulnerabilities that can make them susceptible to a disappointing performance the following year.</p>	<p>Camaro II medium maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>Hornet medium maturity high oleic oil</p> <p>Falcon medium-early maturity NuSun oil</p>	<p>Camaro II Camaro II offers strong resistance to multiple races of downy mildew as well as good sclerotinia head rot tolerance. This variety holds its plant height very consistently across varied soil types and soil fertility levels, and it also has a reputation for excellent test weight, even for years that are short on rain. In addition, the strong stalk quality of Camaro II enables you to harvest in difficult conditions when some racehorse-type varieties will lodge and leave heads in the field.</p> <p>Hornet Hornet resists multiple races of downy mildew, and its excellent late-season plant health helps it make the most of any growing season by reducing losses during harvest caused by head shatter.</p> <p>Falcon Falcon is a medium-early maturity variety that provides consistency even if one end of the growing season has stressful conditions. Whether it's a normal season, a short season with lots of cloud cover, or a growing season that's unusually long, Falcon will usually produce excellent yields.</p>

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 <p>Maria Harvey Account Manager, Legend Seeds, Bismarck, North Dakota</p>	<p>In my area, we look for hybrids that are consistent from year to year because we are never quite sure what the weather may bring. Typically, we run on the drier side, so we look for hybrids that are higher in test weight and oil so that even if we get really dry, we still have a high-quality crop. We also look for hybrids that will produce above-average yields year in and year out with good standability.</p>	<p>Falcon medium-early maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>N4H470 CL Plus medium maturity high oleic oil</p> <p>Tie: Camaro II medium maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>and</p> <p>N4HM354 medium-early maturity NuSun oil</p>	<p>Falcon Falcon is a very consistent NuSun Express hybrid that we love due to its very nice standability, solid yield and oil content, and nice test weight. It is very flexible on marketing for NuSun crush or bird food, and it has done well year in and year out.</p> <p>N4H470 CL Plus N4H470 CL Plus has nice plant health, stands well and has excellent yield, oil and test weight. The option of using a methylated seed oil surfactant (MSO) with this Clearfield Plus hybrid gives it stronger weed control, and if growers want the flexibility of having a very good high oleic hybrid that maintains a bird food option, this is an excellent choice.</p> <p>Camaro II For areas where soybeans or canola are in the rotation, I have great success with Camaro II. It has some of the best sclerotinia white mold tolerance in the industry, its oil content is hard to beat, and the yield and test weight are there. It is consistently a very good yielding product.</p> <p>N4HM354 For those growers who don't have soybeans or canola in their rotation, the N4HM354 has proven to be an excellent companion and I often sell them together. The hybrid is a little earlier in maturity but does really well in drier climates and has very good oil, yield and test weight.</p>
 <p>Jed Wall Sunflower Business Development Lead, Legend Seeds, Wahpeton, North Dakota</p>	<p>A workhorse hybrid is very important for producers because they need hybrids that can handle diverse weather conditions and diverse field conditions. On a year like this with all the excess moisture, wind and disease pressure we've had, the workhorse hybrids are what help producers pay the bills.</p>	<p>Camaro II medium maturity NuSun oil</p> <p>Hornet medium maturity high oleic oil</p> <p>Falcon medium-early maturity NuSun oil</p>	<p>Camaro II Camaro II has an excellent disease resistance package, it performs well in all soil types, and it features excellent emergence in tough planting situations.</p> <p>Hornet Hornet has excellent stalk strength as well as exceptional late-season plant health.</p> <p>Falcon Falcon features fast emergence, great drought tolerance, and excellent stalk and root strength. 🌻</p>