Roundup-Ready Alfalfa: A Survey

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Key Questions:

- What are growers’ attitudes about the technology, both those who have grown it and those who haven’t
- Coexistence – is it possible?
2007 Legal Decision:

Key issues:

- APHIS failed to produce Adequate Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
- Possibility of Gene Flow, contamination of Organic/Conventional alfalfa
  Organic Growers put out of business?
  Effects ‘human environment’?
- Increased development of Roundup Resistant Weeds?
Methods & Response:

- On-line survey, advertised via email, hay publications
- 381 Responses, 32 states, 233,000 acres
- Growing Alfalfa mostly for dairy, then horse, beef sheep
- 62% of respondents, 79% of acreage sell alfalfa off farm
Grower Population:

Question: Organic Hay?  
%Respondents: 25%
Is your alfalfa ‘GE Sensitive’?