

Picture Tour of Bean Harvest Operations

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Images of: Pulling beans · Windrowing · Direct cut · Transport

PULLING BEANS



Beans are pulled with knife pullers or rod pullers.



Beans are generally pulled in the morning before the plants are totally dry to minimize losses.



Beans are picked up in the field with either a pull type specialty combine or a modified grain combine and threshed.



A self-propelled combine harvest operation.

WINDROWING



Beans are windrowed and allowed to dry in the field.



A typical windrowing operation.

DIRECT CUT



Beans are sometimes planted in narrow rows and direct cut



Standing bean stubble following a direct cut harvest operation.

TRANSPORT



Harvested beans are conveyed from combines into trucks and hauled to storage facilities.



A typical truck load of beans ready for transport.