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At the Nova Scotia Agricultural College feed mill in Bible Hill, where Agricultural Enterprises Ltd. did most of the outside work, grains are stored in tanks, processed into feed and then utilized for feed trials.

From feed mills to breweries and oils

Agricultural Enterprises Limited of Lower Onslow is the Atlantic Canada industry leader in the design, construction and maintenance of tanks, elevators and conveyors for feed mills.

Over the last 25 years, however, the number of major feed mills in the region has been more than halved to fewer than 10, so the business is looking for ways to diversify.

Owner Bill Mills says the firm wants to apply its skills and experience in bulk material handling systems, using tanks and conveyors, to other sectors.

These could include breweries, which use barley and malt, and commercial oilseed production of canola and soybean. "Many of the handling processes are the same," said Mills. He added that oilseed production would provide farmers with an additional income source.

Services offered by Agricultural Enterprises include consulting, design, planning, production process, drafting, supply, installation, maintenance and repair of milling and other equipment.

The company is also a dealer for numerous industry leaders in the bulk material handling field.

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