

Field & Crop Perspective From Chad (October 2015)

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our pre-harvest Ag Appreciation Day. It was good to see you and share a meal, and we always appreciate a chance to exchange ideas and insights about farming operations.



Heath Farrell and Brad Butler offered greetings and shuttle service to the helicopter for Ag Appreciation Day.



As we move through the 2015 harvest, we are learning we have been blessed with some good crops in our area. Like last year, we have lower commodity prices so producers may want to consider VRT fertilizer application and/or a maintenance program to keep costs down while still maintaining nutrient levels.

With the Y-Drop system from 360 Yield Center that we used this year, we are seeing significant yield increases from late applied nitrogen – in some cases up to 70 bushels per acre. Y-Drop enables late vegetative stage nitrogen application, so with the wet year and related nitrogen loss, we were really able to see the benefits. We believe the ability to lengthen the nitrogen application window and apply when needed makes Y-Drop a great tool to bump yield and save on nitrogen costs. For our own acres, we are also planning to do more prescription planting to improve nitrogen management and control input costs.

For Fall 2015, Gripp Farm Nutrients has added lime application to our offering, and we have just integrated a new fertilizer blender into our operation so we can custom mix any blend for your acres.

We appreciate your business and look forward to serving you. Be safe and God bless.



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