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# Hohl's Friendly Service January



**Newsletter 2022** 

### Winter Hours:

**Tuesday – Friday:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

**CLOSED:** Sunday & Monday

### **Holiday Hours:**

**OPEN:** New Year's Eve

8:00 - 12:00 pm

**CLOSED:** New Year's Day

#### National Bird Day is January 5<sup>th</sup>



**One Day Only Sale** Treat the birds to Hohl's Premium Wild Bird Food and take \$1 off per bag.

#### Squirrel Appreciation Day is January 21<sup>st</sup>



**One Day Only Sale** Pick up a 25# bag of Peanuts in the Shell for the squirrels and get \$1 off per bag.

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### Welcome to 2022!

We're happy to continue to serve our customers in the New Year. Hohl's Farm Supply is here, with you, to help achieve your goals with quality products and service. Thanks for choosing us for your feed, seed, fertilizer, and much more!



Fido-Vite had placed Best-In-Show participants at Westminster every year for the last 4 years!



Your dog may not be a Westminster Best-In-Show, but Fido-Vite will give your dog a healthy coat, which is a leading indicator of overall health.



A complete canine supplement formulated to complement your regular dog food.

#### Fido-Vite 5# Bag - \$52.50

- Essential Organic Trace Minerals & Vitamin Supplement. Prebiotic, Probiotic and Digestive Enzymes.
- Supports a healthy microbiome. In a palatable powder form, avoiding the destructive consequences of a heat processed kibble.

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With added coconut oil.

## A CROSSE Food Plot 101: Planning for Spring

**The Value of Frost Seeding Legumes:** Have you considered introducing legumes into your grass pasture? A 25-30% legume component in the pasture offers several benefits. This will improve quality for grazing animals while also increasing the amount of forage that can be removed (50-100% increase in production when using legumes as a small percent of the grass pasture). Introducing legumes into grass pasture also reduces the amount of applied nitrogen fertilizer since the legume will fix nitrogen and help provide a large portion of the nitrogen the grass needs to grow.

**Tips For Success When Frost Seeding**: Starting in January and running through March to early April across the Midwest, frost seeding legumes into pastures and hay fields makes a ton of sense (and cents). This method doesn't disturb existing sod and typically, access to frost seeded areas for grazing livestock is much faster than with conventionally tilled fields. It's also an economical method to introduce legumes with reduced labor and equipment cost.

#### Tips include:

- Make sure frost seeding is done before frost leaves the soil structure. The basic principle is that alternate freezing/thawing action of soil in late winter/early spring, along with spring rains, incorporates the spread legume seed. Typically, 2-3 cycles of freezing/thawing are desired for best incorporation.
- To prepare for seeding, ideally the pasture would be grazed or clipped closely the previous fall to reduce the amount of thatch present.
- Soil tests should indicate proper phosphorus and pH levels for legumes.
- Following seeding, the area can be grazed as the tramping action helps incorporate the seed and reduces competition
  from grass to the new legume seedlings. However, care must be taken not to overgraze until the legumes have
  established. What Species Should I Consider? Most adapted forage legume species are suitable for frost seeding. Red
  clover is most commonly used due to excellent seedling vigor, but white clovers, birdsfoot trefoil and alfalfa can also
  work. Alfalfa should not be used if the existing pasture contains alfalfa due to auto-toxicity.

The overall frequency of frost seeding depends on how well the level of legumes is maintained in the stand, but a rule of thumb is to plan on over-seeding one third of your pasture acres every year.

#### STORE HOURS TUES-FRI: 8-5 & SAT: 8-12

Not Just a Farm Store...

#### Pet Feeds, Bird Seeds and More!

- Farm/Lawn and Food Plot Seed
- Soil Testing
- Field/Lawn Fertilizer
- Pet and Farm Feed
- Farm/Lawn Chemicals
- LP Filling Station





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