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Welcome to the NEW Ag Partners Coop, Inc.

As of September 1st, Nemaha County Coop and Ag Partners officially merged into one company. Moving forward, the main office will be located in Seneca.

We look forward to serving our customers in this next chapter!

Planning Ahead with Fall Herbicide Applications

Get a jump on next season's weed control with a fall herbicide application! Fall applications allow us to target weeds that are often difficult to control in the spring.

Marestail is one major driver for fall herbicide applications. Since marestail has an extended germination period starting in August, continuing through the fall, and then having more germination in the spring too, it is difficult to control once it has bolted. Most spring burndown weed control failures are due to fall germinating of marestail getting too big to control.

Other fall germinating weeds including henbit, shepherds purse, and mustards which can be controlled with fall applications too, enabling spring field operations to work better. Perennials such as dandelions and thistles usually show better control with fall applications.

Optimum timing of fall applications is weather dependent. If you wait until late fall to start treating weeds, most winter annuals will have already germinated. Weed control can be good if sprays are made when the air temperature is at least 50°. Good control with burndown herbicides alone can work well if the weather cooperates too.

Waiting for the weeds to germinate runs the risk of missing the spray window entirely when the weather doesn't cooperate. By applying a burndown plus residual application earlier in the fall, you will have a better hedge against weather issues.

Herbicide programs that have been successful for Ag Partners are:

- **Burndown Only**
2,4D LV 6# **plus** Sterling Blue
- **Ground going to Soybeans – Burndown & Residual**
Dimetric **plus** Sterling Blue
- **Ground going to Corn –Burndown & Residual**
Atrazine **plus** Sterling Blue

*Recommended to add either an Oil or NIS

New Precision Software: Clayton Hora

AgCESS has adopted a new precision ag software that will enhance our fertility recommendations for your fields. With this new system we can set a goal for the upcoming year and after harvest, apply the yield map to update the actual removal of nutrients. If you have a yield goal set for 200-bushel corn, it will adjust the recommendation if your field doesn't hit that number. API's with **My John Deere, Climate**



Fieldview, and **Raven Slingshot** will allow us to instantly update the recommendations with actual yield data (with permission from your account). If you have been wanting to utilize multiple layers of data to make an Rx, we will now have that ability to make maps utilizing any soil layer, yield layer, imagery, or any other layer, and create a prescription off the combination of the data layers. We are currently transitioning from both legacy precision ag platforms to new software. All past data will be available on this new system!

Insurance Update: Jim Ward

With the onset of wet weather throughout the area, there is a potential concern for fungal growth on corn ears. Given the right fungus, aflatoxin can arise, resulting in a reduction of overall crop value. If you are uncertain about being docked at the elevator, or fear what will be going into your bin may contain aflatoxin, please let your crop insurance agent know ASAP! If docked at the elevator, the sample will need to have a state grade to count, therefore you will need to hold onto your samples. If you're planning on taking grain to the bin, either stop by the elevator and have a sample taken, or the crop insurance company will need to make arrangements to gather some samples. From an insurance perspective, aflatoxin can create levels high enough to reduce yields used toward a claim. If you are already in a loss situation, be aware that aflatoxin increases the total payment loss. For questions, please give me a call at (785) 741-1652.

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