



## September 2020

The Kewaunee and Door County UW-Extension offices are offering drive-up **Corn Silage Whole-Plant Moisture Testing** for standing corn intended for silage from 9:00am – Noon on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at our Rio Creek Feed Mill Luxemburg site, 715 Frontier Road.

Drive thru our Rio Creek test plots, ¼ mile west of us on the north side of County Road K. Take the lane to observe the **Conventional Soybean & Glyphosate-Resistant Soybean Plot**, which leads directly to the **Enogen Corn Silage Plot**. Also, check out our **Enogen Grain Corn Plot** ½ mile west of County Road C on the south side of County Road K and our **Soybean Plot** on County Road AB, approximately 1 mile north of County Road X.

We harvested our **Small Grain Plot** and our **Spring Wheat Trials**. See the results on our website at [www.riocreekfeedmill.com](http://www.riocreekfeedmill.com)

**NEW for this Fall is a \$0.10/bushel premium for delivery of SOYBEANS to Luxemburg!!**

**If you bought ENOGEN corn seed from us, remember to deliver your loads to RIO CREEK to receive your 10-cent per bushel premium and tell the scale operator and person unloading that it's ENOGEN corn, so it gets designated properly!**

**While grain prices are up**, especially for soybeans and wheat, we suggest contracting at least a portion of your expected production. Wheat has been over \$5 per bushel recently.

**Kent Silage Supreme Inoculant**, in 50# bags (dry) or in water soluble pouches, as well as Hay Green buffered propionic acid, help protect and preserve your valuable forages.

**Soil sampling season begins immediately after harvesting occurs.** Contact Jeremy or Brooke BEFORE manure is applied to the field.

**While hauling out manure, remember to take your required manure samples!**

The best time to apply Glyphosate products, 2 4-D Ester & Dicamba to **kill off quack and other perennial weeds** is before tilling or spreading manure on fields that have been harvested or were not planted this year. Spray the weeds when they reach about 6 inches tall. This will give you a clean start for planting yet this year or for next spring's seedbeds, especially if you plan on no-tilling!

Apply one of RCFM's **YieldMAXX Wheat4Fall fertilizer blends** before planting your winter wheat.

Check out our **2020 Fall Seeds Brochure for our wheat and cover crop seed line-up**. (If you did not receive one in the mail, they are available at our offices.) Call 920-837-2226 for details about our 3% discount available, if paid by September 25<sup>th</sup>.

If you will need us to **clean your own wheat for seed**, bring it in well before you need it back to plant.

BE AWARE that the recent "derecho" **windstorm damage in Illinois and Iowa affected many seed production acres**. Order your corn seed now, before the variety you want is sold out.

**VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER! If you've used your gravity wagon or truck to haul any bulk treated soybean or wheat seed, make sure that it is properly washed out and free of any treated seed and/or chemical before loading it with feed or grain!**

We still have a wide selection of **wildlife plot seeds!** Stop in or see our website for more info.

**Bisect Insecticide** does a great job of controlling Asian beetles, lady bugs, mosquitos, ants, spiders, & many other insects for farm or home use. We have one-gallon jugs available in both Rio Creek and Luxemburg.

**Your efforts to control dandelions, thistles, and other broadleaf weeds in your lawn** will be most effective if you spray them in fall, while the new seedlings are trying to establish themselves for next year. We recommend liquid Mec-Amine D or dry Weed & Feed.

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## **Attention 2020 Prospective Livestock Auction Exhibitors:**

Each summer, we enjoy attending local fairs and livestock shows, witnessing the hard work the youth put forth, and bidding on animal projects during the auctions. Because of the strange year 2020 has been, we realize many of you did not get to finish out the fair projects as you had planned to. As a company, we lost the chance to thank our business patrons and celebrate their fair projects.

To make up for missing out on the opportunity to show our support, we will be sending out a token of our appreciation to Rio Creek Feed Mill customers' 2020 prospective livestock auction exhibitors.

If you qualify, please send us a short letter about your project and what you learned from this years' experience. Be sure to include your name and address!

Drop off your letter at our Rio Creek or Luxemburg office or email it to [ajbarta@riocreekfeedmill.com](mailto:ajbarta@riocreekfeedmill.com) by Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing your 2020 letters and your 2021 projects next year!

*The Barta Family*