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SOILBIOTICS COMPANY E-NEWSLETTER

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Soil Testing Reminder

Now that the crops are out it is time for soil testing to find out what nutrients you need to replenish before you plant next spring. The SoilBiotics Soil Testing Program provides a soil analysis that aids in determining pre-plant and side-dress fertilization requirements. It was created by GMS Labs and SoilBiotics with certain criteria to provide an understanding of the crop production capabilities of each field in terms of salinity, soil type, water holding capacity, percolation, and much more! To learn more about the SoilBiotics Soil Testing Program please click on this link: <http://soilbiotics.com/Partners>

With your soil test results, you are ready to get fall fertility recommendations and have your favorite local ag retailer make the application. Consider asking them to blend the P and K fertilizers with our **Organic 2r - Soil Boost** to safeguard the fertilizer over the winter and increase nutrient availability for the new crop in spring (See product label for application instructions). Fertility Management Systems (FMS) offers fertilizer recommendations for nutrient management programs. Contact Mark at (815) 378-9948 or mark@fertilitysolution.net.

SoilBiotics Seed Treatments

Ensure the germination and emergence of your valuable crops and get them off to a great start!

1 - Seed Treatment and **Organic 1r - Seed Treatment** are carbon-based Humic Acid products with a primary component derived from naturally occurring, mined Leonardite. Reported benefits include improved nutrient uptake by plants, better root development, and reduced stress.

1 - Seed Treatment and **Organic 1r - Seed Treatment** desiccate germination inhibiting spores (fungal pathogens) on the pericarp. The treatments also penetrate the seed coat and trigger hormones and growth systems in the embryo during the critical early stages of germination, leading to healthier root development and stronger seedling stands. It has been reported to perform well in cold conditions.

Is Organic 1r - Seed Treatment approved for use on organic crops?

Organic 1r - Seed Treatment has been reviewed and approved by the Organic Materials Review Institute (OMRI) compliant with NOP rules.

A Note from the Field

A local dealer observed that when he used SoilBiotics **Growth Supplement 30** with Ultra Blazer® and FirstRate® herbicides, the kill was better and crop recovery from burn was much quicker.

Upcoming Events

SoilBiotics will be exhibiting at the following tradeshow this Fall:

1. Greater Peoria Farm show in Peoria, Illinois. We are joining with GMS Labs in a combined booth. The show is Tuesday November 27 through Thursday, November 29, and hours are from 9am to 4pm daily. Come out and visit us in Peoria!

2. Great Lakes Expo in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The tradeshow will take place December 4th-6th from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm (4th and 5th) and 7:30 am to noon on the 7th. Come out and visit us in Grand Rapids!

Holiday Note

We are thankful for another fruitful year and for having all of you as our customers. We send holiday greetings to you and yours, and say a prayer for safe travels and warm family time together.

The SoilBiotics offices will close at noon on Wednesday, November 21 and be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23.

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