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Take Care of Yourself

Farmers are by nature the first to offer help and last to ask for it. That's the simple truth. But as we deal with a year where every time you access the information stream, you're inundated with negativity it's easy to lose sight of your own health. May just happens to be Mental Health Awareness Month and it's a good time to remember your support structure – your family, friends, church members and more. Social distancing does not mean social isolation. Farmers are also gross consumers of information, but maybe this year it's time to limit the media access to just what you need to do the business of farming. You might feel much better for it.

And Watch Out for the Kids

A reminder that with school already out for the year there will be an unusual number of kids out and about doing what kids do. As you take the equipment out to the fields, keep an eagle eye out for bikes, ATV's and kids just messing around.

SoilBiotics Sponsoring Podcast

We are pleased to announce that SoilBiotics has become one of the sponsors of the **Back To The Roots (B2R)** monthly podcast for organic farmers. This is a farmer-to-farmer podcast and you can pick up a lot of tips from fellow farmers. Take the time to visit their website and listen to the archived podcasts on a variety of subjects.

<http://www.b2rpodcast.com/index.html>

Increase N Uptake and Increase Your Yields

So far this year we're seeing a downturn in just about everything. Fertilizer prices are down, but then so are commodity prices, so you need to look for places to make a buck. With commodity prices down you'll need to increase yields while holding down input costs. Here are a few ideas:

Use High Quality N

OS 46, a ready-to-use fertilizer with a unique formulation of high-quality 46-0-0 urea and SoilBiotics **4 – Ultra Boost**, has the ability to hold the N in place for the plant to use throughout the season. Plants will have the N they need when they need it, resulting in healthier, stronger plants that will yield much better results. It can be applied in strip-till, pre-plant broadcast, post-emergence broadcast or banded as a nitrogen side-dress. AND, we make **OS 46** right here at our facility so we can meet your needs when you are ready.

Manage Your N

3– Growth Boost and Organic 3r – Growth Boost are chelators, protecting N from being lost by leaching and volatilization to keep it available for the crop, increasing soil micronutrient availability and increasing soil micronutrient availability.

Growth Supplement 30 is a foliar applied nitrogen stabilizer that also stimulates plant metabolism, transports nutrients in plants, dissolves macro and micro elements, and enhances cell division and elongation.

