

MAY NEWSLETTER



Seed Out Our Doors

Corn  99%

Beans  99%

Summer Grain Bin Management Tips

As the weather warms up, keep an eye on your stored grain. Here's some tips:

- Monitor grain bin temps
- Improve ventilation
- Manage grain moisture
- Check grain biweekly
- Record grain data



Scout Early & Often

We have not seen many agronomic concerns yet, but we can expect to see more insects becoming active as we gain GDUs. As you are scouting, look for wireworms, white grubs, cutworms, bean leaf beetles, stalk borer, seedcorn maggots, stink bugs, & seedling diseases.

Planting Season Updates

This planting season has flown by, with area farmers as good as done with planting. Corn is off to a great start, with strong emergence and steady growth. Soybeans felt a little slow to get out of the ground, but seem to be kickstarting by the recent warm weather. Spraying is also on track for most in the area, with the pre applications already done for the Carlson crew and post applications for corn getting underway this week.

Top: DKC110-41 at V3 Bottom: A34E35 at V1



Black Cutworm Cutting Date Prediction

Black cutworms (BCW) are migratory pests that feed on corn leaves and cut corn plants up to the V5 growth stage, resulting in reduced stands. ISU Extension agronomists predict the BCW cutting will begin by May 21, possibly even as soon as this week.



Scout your fields, especially those with cover crops or lots of weeds as they are more likely to be egg-laying sites, to identify damage early enough to take action if needed. Scan the QR code to the left for more information on BCW identification and scouting, GDU tracking, and how to report BCW activity.

Impact of Dry Weather on Herbicides

Most residual herbicides require at least 0.5" of rain for activation, so spray applications done in an extended dry period may be less effective. Lack of rainfall, high temperatures, and low humidity cause spray droplets dry quickly, reducing the window for uptake into weeds. Scan the QR code to the right for more on how to time your applications for the best weed control.



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