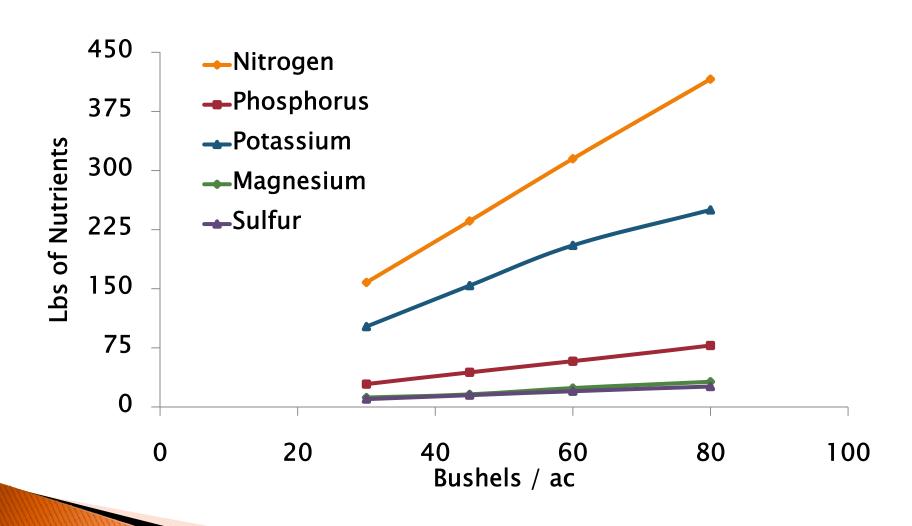
# Nutrient Management for the upcoming Crop

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## **Nutrient Uptake**



## Nutrients removed in harvested crop

| Crop    | Unit  | N    | P2O5 | K2O |
|---------|-------|------|------|-----|
| Soybean | lb/bu | 4.00 | .80  | 1.4 |
| Corn    | lb/bu | .75  | .44  | .29 |
| Wheat   | lb/bu | 1.29 | .50  | .30 |
| Canola  | lb/bu | 1.88 | .91  | .46 |

#### Nutrient uptake by plant

| Crop    | Unit  | N     | P2O5 | K2O  |
|---------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Soybean | lb/bu | 5.26  | .96  | 3.4  |
| Corn    | lb/bu | 1.33  | .56  | 1.33 |
| Wheat   | lb/bu | 2.076 | .675 | 2.3  |
| Canola  | lb/bu | 3.00  | 1.33 | 2.4  |

#### Oklhoma Soil Test Levels

#### Phosphorus Levels

- 52%<40, 62%<50, 70%<60</li>
- STP 10 → 11% rec 50 lbs  $P_2O_5$  ac<sup>-1</sup> STP 20 → 15% rec 30 lbs  $P_2O_5$  ac<sup>-1</sup> STP 30 → 14% rec 30 lbs  $P_2O_5$  ac<sup>-1</sup>

#### Potassium Levels

18%<160, 37%<240</li>

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^{\circ} STK 0-80 \rightarrow 3%
STK 80-160 \rightarrow 15%
STK 160-240 \rightarrow 17%
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rec 100-70 lbs K_2O ac<sup>-1</sup> rec 70-50 lbs K_2O ac<sup>-1</sup> rec 50-0 lbs K_2O ac<sup>-1</sup>
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## Phosphorus

| Soil P Index | Percent<br>Sufficiency | P2O5 lb/ac |
|--------------|------------------------|------------|
| 0            | 40                     | 70         |
| 10           | 60                     | 50         |
| 20           | 80                     | 30         |
| 40           | 95                     | 20         |
| >65          | 100                    | 0          |

- \$8.50/bu \$0.36/ lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>
- STP 20 : 30 lbs lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>
- 50 bu Yield Potential : 10 Bu loss
- Spend \$10.8 plus application cost or lose \$85.00 in Yield
- STP 30: \$9.00 in fertilizer/ \$43.75 in Yield

#### Potassium

| Soil K Index | Percent<br>Sufficiency | K2O lb/ac |
|--------------|------------------------|-----------|
| 0            | 40                     | 100       |
| 75           | 60                     | 70        |
| 125          | 75                     | 60        |
| 200          | 90                     | 40        |
| 275          | 100                    | 0         |
| >350         | 100                    | 0         |

- ▶ STK 125 : 60 lbs lb K<sub>2</sub>O
- ▶ 50 bu Yield Potential : 12.5 Bu loss
- Spend \$28.8 plus application cost or lose \$106.25 in Yield
- STK 200: \$19.20 in fertilizer/ \$42.50 in Yield







## Nitrogen

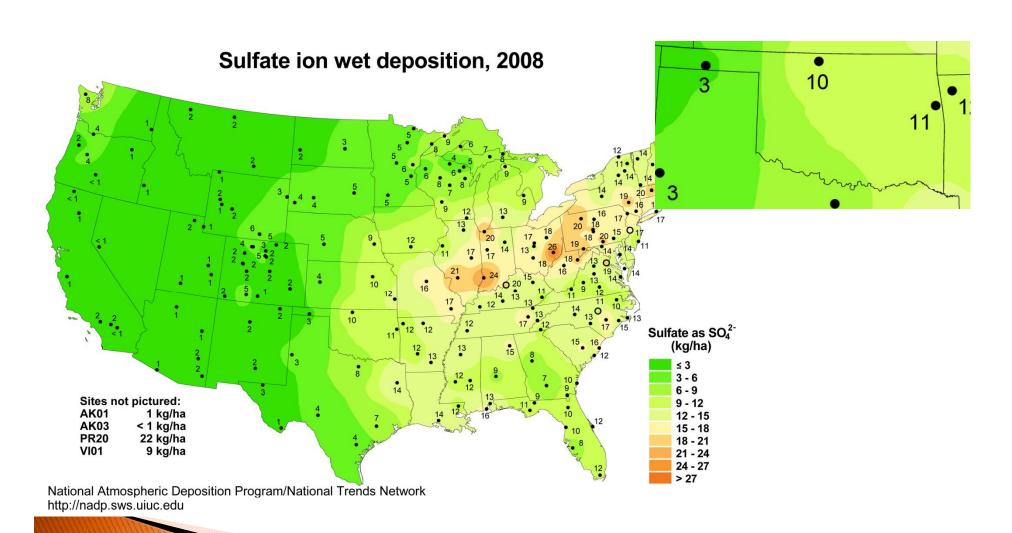
- The soybean a legume
  - In most cases N is not needed
    - If the field is well inoculated.
    - pH
- <60 bushels no N response in yield</p>
- Can Increase Plant Size
- > 60 can benefit from N is residual is low
  - It should be noted that soybeans are extremely sensitive to salt injury and any addition of with seed starter should be done with caution.
- Most N deficiencies in Oklahoma
  - not from exceptional yields
  - improper inoculation procedures or lack of inoculation.

## Sulfur

Sulfur is similar to N in non legumes.

| Yield Goal | Sulfur lbs/ac |
|------------|---------------|
| 10         | 3             |
| 20         | 6             |
| 30         | 9             |
| 40         | 12            |
| 50         | 15            |
| 60         | 18            |

## S in Rainfall



#### Other Nutrients

- Molybdenum.
- Molybdenum (Mo) is sometimes deficient in highly acid soils. A seed treatment of 0.2-.04 ounce of Mo per acre may be applied.
- Liming will correct Mo deficiency.
- In Oklahoma test, liming has proven to be the best solution for Mo deficiency problems.
- Iron and Zinc
- Iron (Fe) and Zinc (Zn) deficiencies may occur on soybeans grown in calcareous (calcium and magnesium rich) and/or high pH (>7.5) soils.
- Foliar spraying of Fe is most effective but expensive.
  - Often fields that are only slightly deficient will grow out of the deficiency without a loss of yield.
- Zinc deficiencies can be corrected by the application of 2 to 4 pounds per acre of zinc in the form of a zinc sulfate or zinc chelate.
  - Normally Zn is applied with a starter fertilizer and may not need to be applied every year.

## Fertility Issues

#### Banding with seed

- Soybeans are very sensitive to N and K. Reduced stand.
- Urea (46-0-0) and DAP (18-46-0) should be avoided as they can release large amounts of free ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) that will damage seed and seedlings.

#### Broadcast application preplant or a 2x2 band

 Band application is recommended for soybeans, but broadcast application ahead of planting works well.

#### Historically

- Build the fertility levels on the crop previous to soybeans in the rotation, especially in double crop soybeans.
- Sufficient fertility must be carried over for the soybeans or additional fertilizer will have to be added for the soybean crop.
- P and K
  - total amount applied is less if the fertilizer is applied prior to the soybean crop as apposed to applying enough for the previous and soybean crop.

## Thank you

