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“Accessing Innovation”

Meet the Intern with Tyler Fritzsche - Crop Scout

- **Where are you from?** San Antonio, Texas
- **Where do you attend college?** Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO
- **What year in school are you & what's your major?** I'm a Junior majoring in Agronomy with a minor in Ag Business
- **Why did you chose to major in Agronomy?** I would rather work outside most of the time instead of being in an office
- **How do you want to use your major after you graduate?** I plan to start working as an Agronomy Specialist when I graduate
- **Hobbies?** I like to hunt, fish, and spend time with my family
- **What's something we should know about you?** I attended HCC (Highland Community College) before transferring to Northwest
- **What do you like about your internship so far?** I enjoy the hands on experience and the amount of knowledge provided to me
- **Name something you hope to learn from your internship with Ag Partners?** How to build a strong connection with customers and be the best I can be in my career field (Agronomy)



Tyler is one of our Crop Scout Interns for the Sabetha area.

Posting Soybeans: Preston Thomas

All through the winter months we plan out what we're going to do for the following season and year, and now that the beans have been in the ground since the mid-May range, executing those plans we've made will be crucial when evaluating weed management. Our pre-plant chemistries we put down did not have enough moisture to activate the residual in a lot of cases, especially South and West of the Sabetha area. While out scouting, I've noticed a lot of buttonweed and grass emerging, and volunteer corn has been atrocious this year as well. With that being said, now is the opportune time to start putting your post emerge on soybeans. We will predominantly be running **Prefix** with **Roundup** and **Fusilade** (for volunteer corn), unless water hemp is above 2 inches tall, then we would recommend spraying **Xtendimax** either with the **Prefix** or to be tank mixed with **Warrant** to ensure the kill percentage of weeds is satisfactory in fields. The best time to spray beans is 1st to 2nd trifoliate or 21 days after planting, hopefully before weeds are up, but in times that is not the case. I will reiterate that it IS okay to spray bare soil!! This year the beans are a bit smaller in comparison to years past due to lack of moisture thus we may be posting smaller beans.

Feel free to reach out and consult with your Ag Partners agronomist about what options will work best for you!



The Ag Partners team is starting to post test plot signs in the area.

Grain Market Update: Lincoln Hillyer

Grains have experienced lackluster results this week as little positive news has been shown. The USDA released its first crop conditions report for corn Tuesday and a 79% good/excellent number was printed. The trade guess was expecting 72%. It's safe to say the crop is off to a great start nationwide. While locally we all understand our current situation of needing moisture, most of the cornbelt has received good rains to this point. Keeping that in mind, like all years, the markets will be intently watching each new weather forecast and trade accordingly.

Tariff talks have also not helped grains this week as President Trump rattled markets with his announcements of additional duties on aluminum and steel imports from the European Union, Canada, and Mexico. While corn and soybeans have not been mentioned, other agricultural products have been threatened as retaliation against the move. Like it's been stated before, political news can make markets act irrationally. This is another reason why to take advantage of profitable prices when presented because you never know when a curveball will be thrown.

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