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Green Stem Syndrome in Soybeans

Green stem syndrome in soybean is a condition by which the stem remains green while the seeds are mature and ready to harvest. In parts of the state, there are many fields of soybeans with brown pods but green stems (Figure 1). A hard freeze will kill the leaves and stems, but it still may take a while for the leaves to drop, if leaves are still green.

You can either harvest these soybeans if the seed moisture is dry enough, or wait until the leaves have dropped and stems dry down. In most cases, it would be best to harvest sooner rather than later to reduce losses from shattering and lower seed quality. Harvesting beans before the leaves have dropped can be messy and gum up the combine, but at least the yield level will be maintained.

Make sure harvesting equipment is sharp and in top condition, and take it slow in the field. Harvesting soybeans with green stems can be challenging.
What caused this unusual situation this year? It's most likely due to a combination of stress, low pod counts, and late rains. Also, soybean aphids, stink bugs, leaf beetles and viruses can help cause this problem.

In a normal situation, soybeans will accumulate carbohydrates and proteins in the leaves and stems up until seeds begin to form (R5). The leaves provide the photosynthates needed by the newly formed seeds as they begin filling. As the seeds continue to get bigger, their need for photosynthates will eventually become greater than what the leaves can provide through normal photosynthesis. As this happens, the plants will move carbohydrates and proteins from the leaves and stems into the seeds. This can be referred to as "cannibalization" of the vegetative tissue (rapid senescence process and defoliation), but it's a normal process. This eventually causes leaves to turn yellow and drop, and the stems to turn brown and die.

The fewer the number of seeds, due to abiotic or bio-tic stresses, the lower the demand for photosynthates produced by leaves and stems. If demand is low enough, the leaves and stems are never "cannibalized" for their carbohydrates and protein.

As a result, the leaves and stems will remain green longer than normal, even up through physiological maturity of the beans. Late-season rainfall can make the problem worse by keeping the plants alive as the seeds have dried down. It will take either a frost or a desiccant to kill the leaves and stems in this situation.

If the leaves are still green and intact when pods have turned brown and have reached 13-14% moisture, it's almost always an indication of mid-season stress around flowering/pod set and low yield potential – at least relative to the amount of foliage produced.



2027 Infinity Program

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(90-109% of PY acres)
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DISCOUNT LOCK: *At the end of each payment date, the system will lock the Infinity discount based on the business partner's invoice qualifications and a full payment.*

Green Stem Continued

Eventually, freezing temperatures will kill the leaves and dry down the stems. Otherwise, the utilization of desiccants to kill leaves and drop the stem moisture down is a viable option, but only if the producer wants to harvest the field soon, before a freeze is likely to occur. If the stems and/or leaves are still green when the field is harvested, the best option is to harvest slowly and make sure the harvesting equipment is sharp and in excellent condition.

We recommend scouting your field right before harvest to better understand what environmental conditions led to the green stems.

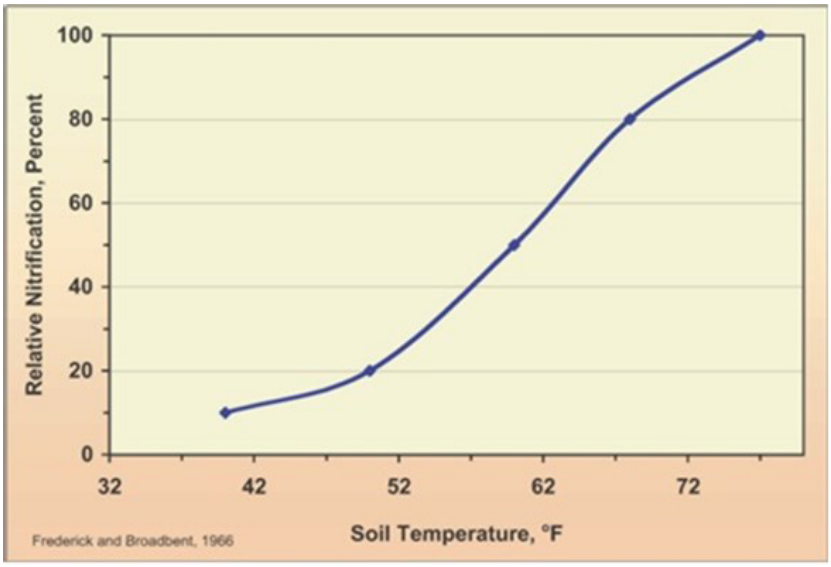
Fall N Application

The next two weeks look like soil temperatures should continue to trend downwards. We wanted to provide a few pieces on fall anhydrous applications, since many farmers get antsy now that the calendar says November.

With anhydrous applications in the fall, we always stress the need for soil temperatures **at or below 50 degrees at the 4" depth or less with a long-term cooling trend.**

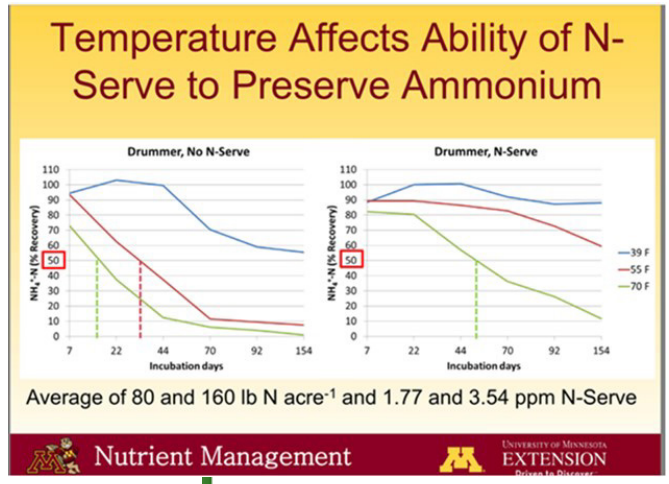
We advocate 50-degree soil temperatures because the microbial activity that converts ammonium (NH4+) into nitrate (NO3-, leachable form of N) substantially decreases below 50. This chart depicts the speed of that conversion by soil temperature:

Products such as Centuro or N-Serve (nitrapyrin) slow the conversion of ammonium to nitrate by slowing down the nitrosomonas bacteria that convert it. We always have folks that question the effectiveness of N-Serve and whether it is worth the cost. I always like to use this graph from the University of MN. It shows the ability of N-Serve to preserve ammonium at various soil temperatures (no N-Serve graph is on the left and with N-Serve is on the right).



The graphs below shows that N-Serve slows the nitrification process of ammonium to nitrate regardless of soil temperature, and it also shows that the preservation is dramatically longer at 55 degrees. Bottom-line,

N-Serve is proven to do what it says it does (unlike many of the other things on the market), and it is a sound practice with fall anhydrous applications.



PIONEER DEFERRED PAYMENT LOAN DEADLINE

In October you will receive a final Payment Reminder and payment coupon from Pioneer. No further statements will be sent to you.

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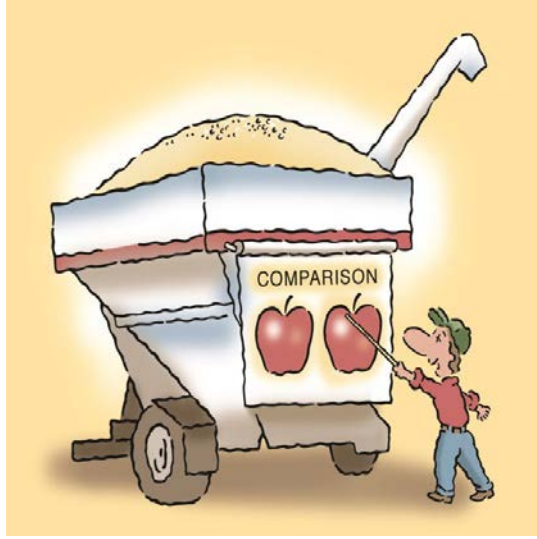
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Thank you!!!
We appreciate everyone who has participated in the plots and side by side weigh wagon comparisons this fall. The information gathered from doing these weighs benefits all of us.



Upcoming Classes and Meetings

November 2026

Kansas Agri Business Expo November 18th-19th 2026 Wichita

January 2027

FarmCon - January 6-7th - Kansas City, Missouri

No-Till on the Plains - January 19th-20th - Marriott Hotel, - Wichita

Agriculture's Innovative Minds Symposium - January 21st -Marriott Hotel - Wichita

Kansas Commodity Classic - January 29th - 8:30 AM @ The Hilton Garden Inn in Salina

Young Farmers & Ranchers Leaders Conference - January 29th-31st - Manhattan

February 2027

Women Managing the Farm - February 11th-12th - Manhattan

Western Farm Show - February 18-20th - American Royal Complex Kansas City, Missouri

March 2027

Kansas Agricultural Technologies Conference - March 12th - Clay Center

Kansas Digital Agriculture Summit - March 31st & April 1st - Garden City

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Seed Planning for 2027 - December 1st Deadline

There have been a number of you starting to discuss estimates for orders for the 2027 crop year. It is never too early to start getting with us on estimates for your cropping needs for 2027.

Some of you would have liked to have had more of certain hybrids this year and the supply was limited. The sooner we know the demand the better off we will be in attaining the supplies to fill these orders of the hybrids you desire.

Give us a call if you are interested in seed planning for 2027.



Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at

WILDCAT AGRI-SERVICES

Updated Wildcat Agri-Services Picks for 2027

We wanted to highlight the top performers in Corn, Soybeans, and Sorghum For Our Area. Our thoughts are as follows:

Corn:

Full season Hybrids: ***PICK P1718AML, P18216PCUE, P1742PCE, & P2089AML***

We would suggest you continue to look at the *irrigated* hybrids **P1742PCE, P18216PCUE,** & **P1718AML**. They have shown excellent performance this past several years over all other hybrids from competitors and Pioneer. We liked **P1742Q & P18216V** more on continuous corn acres as it did well, when needing a triple stack for your continuous corn acres this will be our go to in this maturity. Adding High-rate seed treatment is also an option for all hybrids. **P2089AML** is an older number that is proven in high yielding silage environments. **P18216PCUE, P1718AML**, & **P2089AML** are available in our Leptra earworm technology and show great control for a potential few added bushels and great grain quality. **P1742PCE** continued to show very consistent performance & will continue to be utilized quite a few acres.

Mid-Season Hybrids: ***PICK 14830AML, P14364PCUE, P15395PCE, P13777 PCE, 13841PCUE, and P13050AM***

Top choices would be **P15395PCE, P14270PCE, P14830AML, P13777PCE,** & **P13050AM** in this maturity class. **P15395PCE, 14830AML,** & **P13777PCE** hybrids have impressive yield results to give many great options for Pioneer in our mid maturity lineup. All these have proven themselves to produce yields that compare or exceed the fuller season numbers. **P14830AML** has established itself as the standby and will be the most often utilized of these and is very impressive however **P14364PCUE, P15395PCE & P13777PCE** are taking quite a few acres away from it. **P13777V** is our leading triple stack in this maturity. **P14364PCUE, 13841PCUE** & **14830AML** are available in our earworm technology and show great control for a potential few added bushels. **P15395PCE** is the newest variety and with the performance it had in 2026 it will be on a lot more acres this year. All of them fit in a wide range of soils and possess excellent grain dry down for a little quicker harvest. Look at **P1548AM, P11259PCE, & 13841PCUE** on *dryland* if you are looking for a fuller maturity for higher potential acres. **P1548AM** is a consistent choice for 115 days and was very impressive on dryland in a fuller maturity for increased yield potential. I think **P11259PCE** will start to be utilized on more and more acres. **P13050AM** deserves a look on better dryland or limited Irrigation and has great top end potential.

Short Season Hybrids: ***PICK P05081AML, P0487PCE, P0995AM, & P08215PCUE***

P11259PCE, P12517PCUE, P13050AM, & **P05081AML** will be hybrids we would use on ***Limited*** irrigation. They do well for their maturity by managing a little more stress and have the flex to reach higher yields when given some help from rainfall. All of these are now proven hybrids in this class and will be used on many acres. We will again continue to look at some of the other new hybrids and evaluate them for future years. If you have *limited* water or the ability for a quicker harvest, both advantages make these shorter maturity hybrids extremely attractive.

P05081PCUE, P11259PCE, P0995AM, & P0487PCE will carry much of the ***Dryland*** acres. We would like to continue to split many acres between **P05081PCUE, P0995AM, P1548AM, P08215PCUE,** & **P11259PCE** as they are major players in dryland. We suggest you consider trying them on your dryland acres. **P05081PCUE** will also be where we will lean for a double crop *irrigated* hybrid. **P08215PCUE** & **P11259PCE are** newer corn hybrids that showed very consistent performance and will start take over a number of dryland acres.

Soybeans:

Irrigated Beans: ***PICK Enlist Varieties 37Z84BE, 38Z19E, 42A84E, & 44Z67BE***

We like **37Z84BE & 44Z67BE** because they have an excellent defensive package. They possess good sudden death tolerance, cyst nematode resistance and seem to even have the ability to handle poorly drained soils. **37Z84BE** possesses the newer Peking cyst trait for added protection against Cyst Nematodes. **37Z84BE & 38Z19E** are both newer but look very impressive on irrigation. They have yielded very well in plots and have a great disease package. We will use these on many of the acres along with **44Z67BE & P42A84E**. **37Z84BE, P42A84E, & 44XZ67BE** are also salt excluders with decent SDS tolerance and will be widely adapted to our area and should consume a lot of acres. **38Z63E** are great on High Ph and Iron Chlorosis when you have situations where this is a problem. However, it has performed great and we will still be using it on some acres of irrigation in 2027. These are great choices in soybeans to use in irrigation situations to fill specific agronomic needs.

Updated Wildcat Agri-Services Picks for 2027

Pioneer has completely moved to the Enlist Herbicide Technology weed control and yield with these new genetics are showing great yield results and many producers are headed that direction for their farming operation.

Do not forget **44Z67BE, P47Z15E, & P47Z42BE** if you are planning to need STS for *dryland or Irrigated* double crop.

Dryland Beans:

PICK Enlist Varieties 42A84E, 44Z67BE, 47Z15E, 47Z42BE, 48A14E & 48Z73E

P42A84E, 44Z67BE, 47Z42BE, 48A14E, & 48Z73E are all great choices for *dryland* beans. I think **48A14E** is a very tough bean and performed very well under dry conditions. **47Z42BE & 48Z73E** look particularly good and should be considered for replacing a percentage of acres of the **48A14E. 37Z84BE** is an excellent choice in group 3 *dryland* variety.

The newer genetics have all transitioned into the Enlist Herbicide Technology, and many operations are transitioning that direction for their farming operation.

ENLIST SOYBEAN TECHNOLOGY looks to be a great option for double crop acres as well. There are a lot of exciting new genetics in the line up showing great yield results in the Enlist Varieties. We realize that this is a transition from what you have been doing in some cases, but it is a remarkably simple program, and we feel that it is a great option for the future.

SORGHUM:

Mid Early Season

Mid Early would be **86R138, 86P70**, or **86P20** these hybrids are both excellent and we have a lot of confidence in them. The **86Y89** yellow also looks particularly good. **86R138 & 86P20** in later double crop situations seems to be shortest in late situations.

Mid-Season

Mid-season sorghum is split in acres between **85P75 & 85P58**. These hybrids are very proven performers and cover a sizable number of acres between them. If you do not mind yellow Milo plant **85Y88** it is keeping up or outperforming these other two hybrids. Overall **85P75** has performed very well, has better than average Aphid tolerance and should also be strongly considered where this is an issue.

Full Season

In the full season segment **84P94 & 84P72** for better *dryland* ground and *irrigation* is still as good as anything out there. **84P72** for all other soil types and possesses better head exertion, and our better rating on Sugarcane Aphids resistance and good drought tolerance during dryer times.

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