



Low Level Fertility Management With APEX-10

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BACKGROUND

The objective of this study was to determine if **APEX-10** maintains turf quality, while reducing fertilizers inputs, and the plants reaction to nutrient uptake.

All Bentgrass and Bluegrass plots were divided into four treatment rates.

A Plots: Full Fertility

B Plots: 25% Reduction

C Plots: 50% Reduction

D Plots: 66% Reduction

APEX-10 was applied to both species at the following rates.

Bentgrass 1½oz. 1,000, 14-days

Bluegrass 3 oz. 1,000, 30-days

MATERIALS

Bentgrass was treated every 2-week with a liquid 34-0-0. Bluegrass was every 4-weeks with a liquid 16-4-8.

DISCUSSION

Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI), Leaf Area Index (LAI), Turf Quality (TQ), Shoot Growth, and Clip Count results show a visible differences with both Bluegrass and Bentgrass.

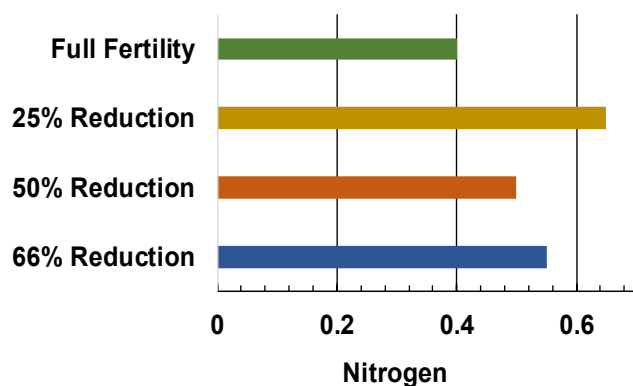
CONCLUSION

There were significant differences with **APEX-10** and fertility rates being reduced by as much as 66% when compared to turf receiving fertilizer alone.

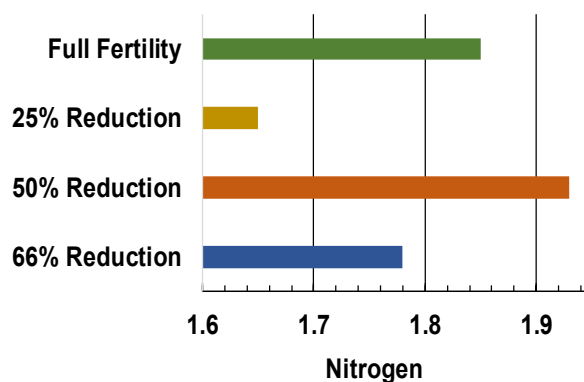
Results indicate **APEX-10** plants will not be subject turf decline and will maintain root mass in the presence of less fertility.

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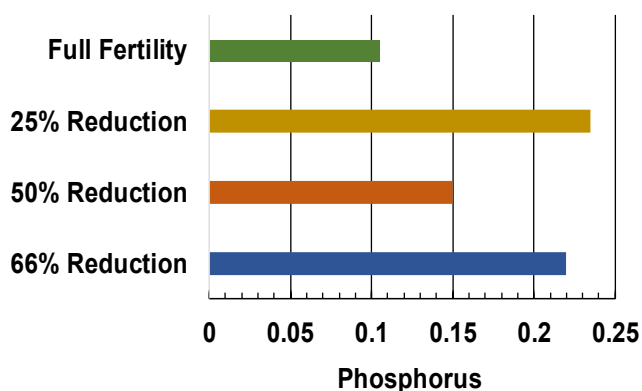
Bentgrass Leaf Tissue (N)



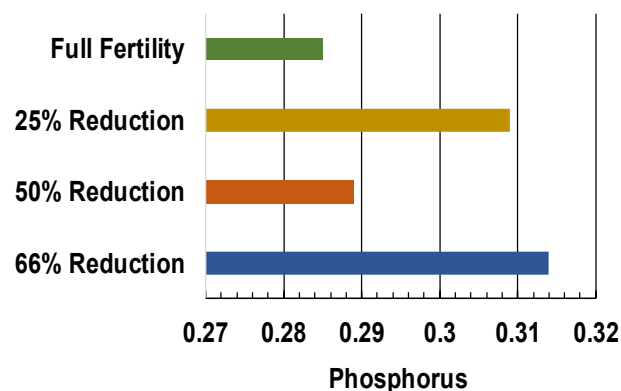
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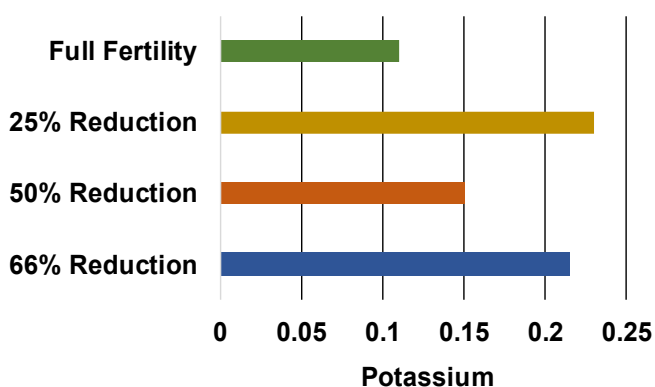
Bentgrass Leaf Tissue (P)



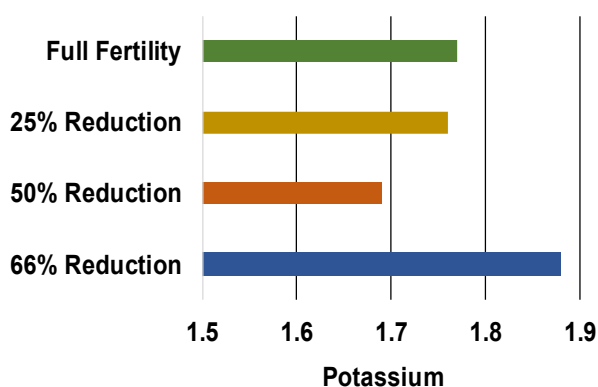
Bluegrass Leaf Tissue (P)



Bentgrass Leaf Tissue (K)



Bluegrass Leaf Tissue (K)



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