## **ATTENTION FARMERS, HOBBY FARMERS, & LAND OWNERS**

-- LEARN HOW TO DO SOIL SAMPLING AND DEVELOP A NUTRIENT PLAN FOR YOUR LAND --

The Township of Freeman recently passed a zoning amendment creating a "Farm Land Preservation District/Zone". To assist land owners in creating a "nutrient management plan" for their agricultural land, the Township is hosting a 3 session Land Nutrient Assessment & Plan Development educational series. These educational sessions are FREE of Charge for those attending, and is "open" to all Southwest Wisconsin Land Owners.

The instructor for the sessions is Daniel H Smith, Southwest Regional Specialist, Nutrient Management Program, U of Wisconsin, Madison.

Session 1: "the soil sampling process" will be held on August 22, 2022 at Sugar Creek Bible Camp's Retreat Center (Highway C, 13141 Sugar Creek Bible Camp Road, Ferryville Wisconsin) at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Daniel will introduce nutrient management, will demonstrate the soil sampling process, and provide a list of laboratories where the soil samples can be sent for evaluation. The evening will conclude with a field demonstration on collecting the soil samples, using the test bag, and filling out the submission sheets. Daniel will provide handouts, soil test bags, and soil test submission sheets.

Session 2: "nutrient management basics – nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and pH". Date: TBD late November 2022. Soil sample evaluation results are required for this session.

Session 3: "writing a nutrient management plan". Date: TBD Early December 2022. For this session, Daniel will have support staff with to assist the attendees in generating their nutrient management plan.

To Reserve your place for session 1, please email: Bob Severson at <u>farmerbob1966@gmail.com</u> or Paul Sampson at <u>pmsampson60255@gmail.com</u>.