

# Opheim Seed & Chemical

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### Returns

With planting wrapped up and as many near the end of post corn spraying, we want to remind our customers that it is time to return your pro boxes, unopened bags of corn and soybeans, unopened pre chemical and post corn chemical jugs, and any totes or shuttles that you are finished using. If you need to have us pick up these items at your farm, please call Jason or Casey to schedule a pick up time. It is important that we have these returns by the end of June. Thank you in advance for helping us meet this deadline.

## **Fungicide Application**

Whether or not to apply fungicide is a decision we have to make every year based on financial and agronomical data. With the widespread weather concerns, unplanted acres, possible poor crop condition reports, and approved Federal Tariff Aid, the decision to apply fungicide on corn and soybeans is likely to be the right choice in our area. We have a great line-up of fungicide offerings and we are available to custom apply as well. Let Jason and Casey visit with you about the benefits of fungicide and how to work it into your crop management plan this growing season.

# Winter Trip 2020

As you all know, we were very much planning on taking a year off from our annual winter trip. With that being said, we have had an overwhelming number of requests to continue our winter trip for 2020, thus we have worked with Joni to put together a trip! The trip will be February 22-27 in Cabo San Lucas. We will



be staying at the Hotel Paradisus Los Cabos, which is absolutely beautiful! Look for trip packets to be ready and distributed in about three weeks. Once again, we look forward to spending a week together this winter.

# **Agronomy Update**

Now that planting is nearly complete, we need to turn our attention to the growing season ahead. What will this summer look like, and are their things to keep a close eye on?

Cold, wet conditions during stand establishment and early growth lead to stalk rots later on. Slow-growing, young corn plants are ripe for infection for diseases that will remain dormant in the plant until the end of grain fill, and they will shred your corn stalks late season if the weather turns hot and dry. Fusarium species are the most likely culprit. Keep a close eye on your stalks, crown, and roots for any signs of early death and rot during grain fill. Its looking like a good year to apply fungicide on corn and soybeans both.

Soybean post spraying looks to be extending later into June and the first part of July with the current rains and the extended forecast looking wet. With Flexstar we want to be finished spraying by the week of July fourth to avoid carryover. We will have plenty of chemical options available if we need to switch out chemical programs. Contact Jason or Casey with questions.

If you have any questions or need a field scouted feel free to give Jason or Casey a call.

# Seed Day

SAVE THE DATE! This year we have already set the date for our Seed Day. Thursday, September 5th we will enjoy a night at Opheim Seed & Chemical where we will have a great meal, have free Cabo trip giveaways, and have a plot tour where we can have a close look at the new Enlist E3 line-up. Look for more information as we draw closer to this event.





















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