

## WHAT KEPT FIELDS CLEAN THIS YEAR

### Focusing on the positives

As harvest starts, we are taking a look at some things that worked this season. With many weed problems our thought is to focus on the good.

Overall the corn fields looked good this year. They were more manageable than the beans. However, there were still a few problems. Waterhemp showed

up in some fields that did not have a strong enough residual in the post emerge spraying. The things that

worked best this year was a solid pre-emerge program followed by a post emerge with a strong residual. Dicamba products like Status, Clarity, and DiFlexx had the best kill.

HPPDs like Halex, Laudis, and Armezon also did a decent job on corn. They worked better when they were paired with Atrazine, but they still had some waterhemp resistance. Next year, plan on incorporating Status or DiFlexx into your corn spraying

program. Another thought for next year is to keep corn fields cleaner the previous year. This way the field starts out better for beans the next year.

Looking at beans this year, there were varying degrees of cleanliness in the fields. The Zidua/Outlook early post-emerge program worked well on

waterhemp.

Dual and Warrant also worked well together, but none of these are perfect.

Some

options to consider for a better chance of cleaner fields includes: paying attention to the timing of the residuals. If the weeds are already present the residuals won't work. Another thing to keep in mind is to use enough residual to last the entire season.

Extreme and Durango did well on kochia, but they had varying success on pig weeds. The earlier the spray, the better performance this program showed. Ultra Blazar did well later

THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR NEXT YEAR ARE STRONG RESIDUALS AND CALENDAR SPRAYING.

### From Kurt's Corner:

**We would like the pumps, shuttles, and nurse trailers that have been loaned out this summer returned**

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on but its success depended heavily on coverage. The best kill had 20-30 gallons/ acre and also had Dyne-Amic and Optima in the tank. A lot of products only burned the plants, but they grew out of it. We saw some of this with Ultra Blazar, but not as much as other options. The most important thing to keep in mind is to calendar spray and avoid having to try to use the "burners".

One last thing that we saw in the beans fields this year was a weed problem in fields where they had been hailed out two years ago. This carry over is something to pay attention to. Watch for a heavy weed presence and make sure to have a strong residual to deal with it.

## LOUISIANA GRILLS COMING SOON

We are excited to announce that we have recently become a dealer for Louisiana grills. The first shipment is expected to come any day now. Stop in and check them out!



*Here is a picture of a clean field using a heavy residual compared to a messy field that was sprayed late with not enough residual.*

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