## **GROWING CORN IN SANDY SOILS**



Sandy soils require special management considerations to maintain high yields. Coarse textured soils will typically be lower in organic matter, require more water, and require a different nutrient management plan to meet or exceed yield goals. Below is a list of management strategics specific to sandy soils that can help to maintain and increase yields. Aside from special nutrient considerations, certain hybrids perform better on these sandy soils. Hoegemeyer evaluates hybrid performance on sandy soils each year. We use this experience to generate product ratings for suitability on sandy soils. If you have any questions regarding hybrid placement on sandy soils, please contact your Hoegemeyer DSM or Agronomist.

## **MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES FOR SANDY SOILS**

- 1. Apply nitrogen in-season. Apply nitrogen as close to when the crop needs as possible. Side-dressing or fertigation in-season will help to reduce nitrogen loss.
- **2. Add a nitrification inhibitor.** Add a nitrification inhibitor if the application must be made early to avoid nitrogen losses through leaching and nitrification.
- **3. Apply sulfur and zinc.** Sulfur and zinc are also typically lower in concentration on sandy soils. Soil sample every three to four years to check for deficiencies.
- 4. Band on potassium. In very coarse soils, potassium can be lost through leaching.
- **5. Schedule irrigation.** Irrigation scheduling can prevent over-irrigating and losing nitrogen from leaching below the root zone.

Maturity	Highly Suitable (Rating: 6 or Better)	Suitable (Rating: 5)
85		5515 Family
91		6117 Family
96	6620 Family	
97	6775 Family	
98	6813 & 6850 Families	
100	7088 Family	7027 Family
102	7209 Family	7224 Family
103		7322 Family
104	7434 & 7402 Families	
105		7523 Family
106	7680 & 7692 Families	7653 Family
107		7772 Family
108	7818 & 7886 Families	7843 & 7869 Families
109	7900, 7921, 7946, 7955 & 7990 Families	
110	8009, 8052 & 8084 Families	8066 & 8073 Families
111	8104, 8140, 8156 & 8188 Families	8175 Family
112	8233, 8239, 8255, 8268 & 8296 Families	8217 Family
113	8303, 8338, 8348, 8371 & 8382 Families	
114	8414, 8447, 8490 Families	8454 Family
115	8529 & 8560 Families	8511 Family
116	8637 Family	
117	8707 & 8750 Families	

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