Developing an Efficient Fertility System for High No-Till Yields and Profitability

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Keys to No-Till Success

Adopt Precision Farming Technologies
 Manage Residue and Seed Placement
 Optimum Row Spacing & Population
 Fertilizer Sources, Placement and Timing
 Hybrid and Variety Selection
 Measure to Manage On Farm Research

Precision Farming Opportunities

Ability to Measure \rightarrow Measure to Manage

Guidance

- Enhanced Seed Placement
- Enhanced Nutrient Placement
- Improved Field Efficiency
- Reduced Compaction

Measurement

- Measure Yield by Pixel
- Measure Soil Types and Nutrients by Pixel
- Variable Rate Application
 - Apply Nutrients and Seed by Pixel
 - Improve Efficiency & Profitability by Pixel







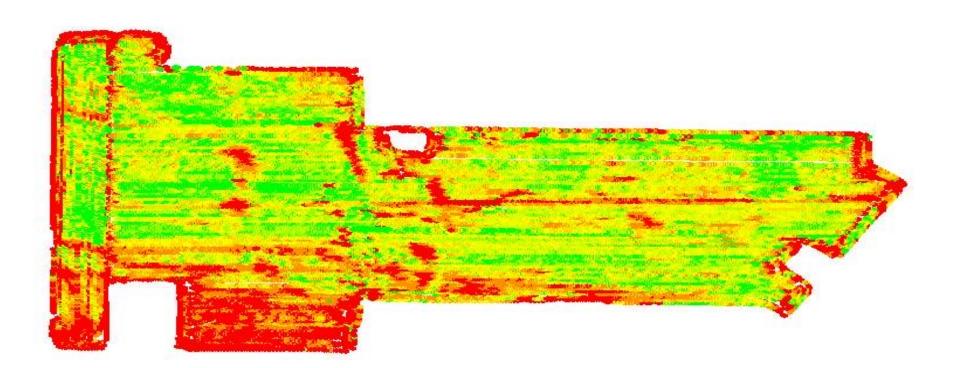








Measure Yields





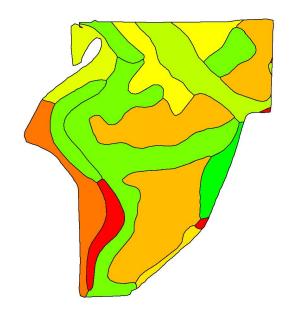
	A	В	С	D	E	F	G	н	I.	J	К	L	М	N	0	Ρ	Q	R
1	2007 0															Extreme	ly Dry in July	
2	Leverich Farms																and Early August	
3					Rep	1		Rep	ep 2		Rep 3			Average				
4	Brand	Hybrid	Mat		Yield	Moist		Yield	Moist	_	Yield	Moist	1	Yield	Moist		Field Data	1
5	Carharts	1889 RR	90		105.9	13.6		127.4	13.0		116.8	16.0		116.7	14.2		Spread F	ert April 16th
6	Croplan	314 TS	92		115.5	14.4		131.3	13.3		144.3	13.5		130.3	13.7		100 lb Po	tash
7	Carharts	1857 RB	90		108.4	14.3		121.1	13.1		139.6	13.7		123.0	13.7		100 lb AN	1S
8	Carharts	1995 VT3	95		110.6	13.8		147.0	12.7		137.3	12.7		131.6	13.1			
9	Carharts	1956 RR	95		105.9	14.1		119.4	13.1		132.5	13.4	ļ	119.3	13.5		Applied N	on April 21st
10	Croplan	364TS	96		121.5	14.4		139.3	13.6		153.1	13.7		138.0	13.9		Anhydous	s Ammonia
11	Croplan	3688 RB	96		125.6	14.1		166.1	13.6		164.5	13.4		152.1	13.7		135 lb Nit	rogen
12	Croplan	3456 RB	96		135.8	14.6		159.3	13.6		150.3	13.7		148.4	14.0			
13	Midwest	69704 VT3	97		141.6	14.3		168.6	13.6		147.6	13.5	ļ.	152.6	13.8		Planted A	pril 28th
14	Pioneer	37Y13 RR	97		128.5	17.8		162.5	16.1		135.8	16.5		142.3	16.8		Pop 3160	0 in 20" Rows
15	Dairyland	9497 TS	97		129.5	14.6		129.1	13.8		131.9	14.0		130.2	14.1		Popup 9 g	gal 10-34-0
16	Dairyland	7196 RB	97		135.3	14.1		150.1	13.6		148.6	13.7		144.7	13.8			
17	Croplan	3824 TS	98		135.8	14.0		145.0	14.2		132.6	14.5	1	137.8	14.2		Sprayed.	May 21st
18	Midwest	69802	98		148.4	14.4		164.5	14.1		143.5	13.9		152.1	14.1		1 qt Glyp	hosate
19	Croplan	388 RRBT	99		153.5	12.6		177.0	14.1		168.6	13.7		166.4	13.5		.75 qt Atri	azine
20	Pioneer	37F75	99		146.4	15.9		164.0	16.1		134.5	16.0		148.3	16.0			
21	Midwest	70103 TS	100		144.6	14.8		174.0	14.8		149.5	14.6		156.0	14.7		Sprayed.	June 15th
22	Carharts	1100 RB	100		151.5	14.7		173.4	14.5		142.4	14.3		155.8	14.5		1 1/2 pt G	ilyphosate
23	Carharts	1960 RB	100		136.4	15.2		156.3	15.1		137.1	14.6	ļ	143.3	15.0			
24	Dairyland	9201 TS	100		136.5	15.0		164.5	15.7		131.9	16.0		144.3	15.6		Harveste	d Oct 27th
25	Carharts	1100 VT3	100		148.5	14.4		156.6	14.2		140.4	14.2		148.5	14.3			
26	Dekalb	5139 TS	101		183.0	15.0		188.6	14.9		161.6	14.9		177.8	14.9		Previous	Crop
27	Dekalb	5240 TS	102		177.0	14.5		170.1	14.3		145.8	14.4		164.3	14.4		Soybean	s on Rep1 & 3
28	Dekalh	5259 VT3	102 / Shore	+2	169.4	15.2		154 N	13.8		149 R	13.9		157 7	14.3		Com on P	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

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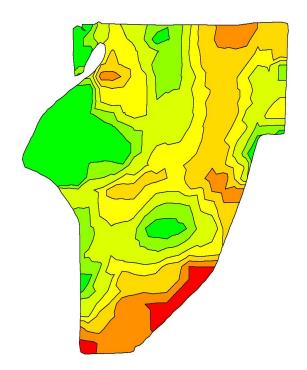
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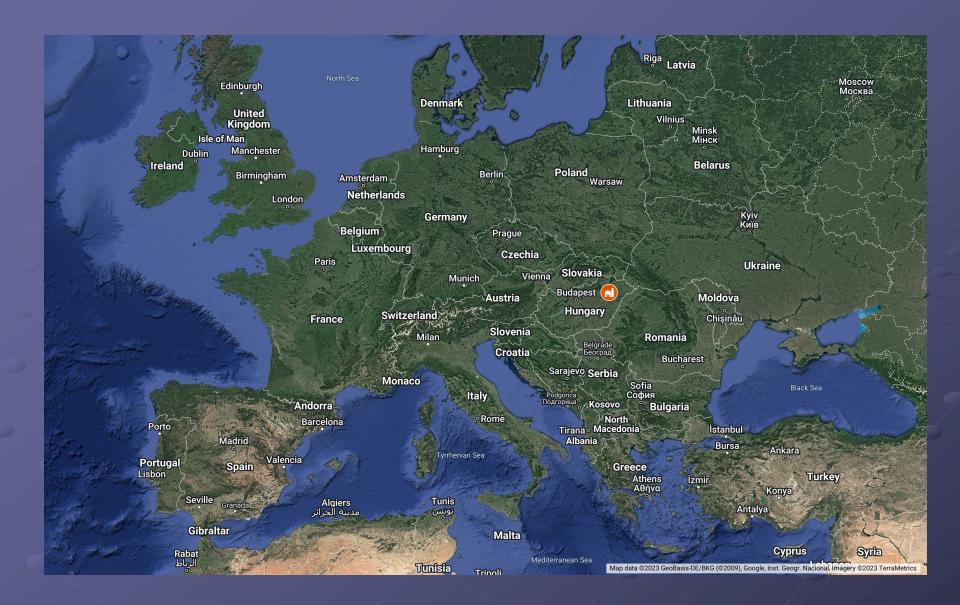
Thoughts from Hungary

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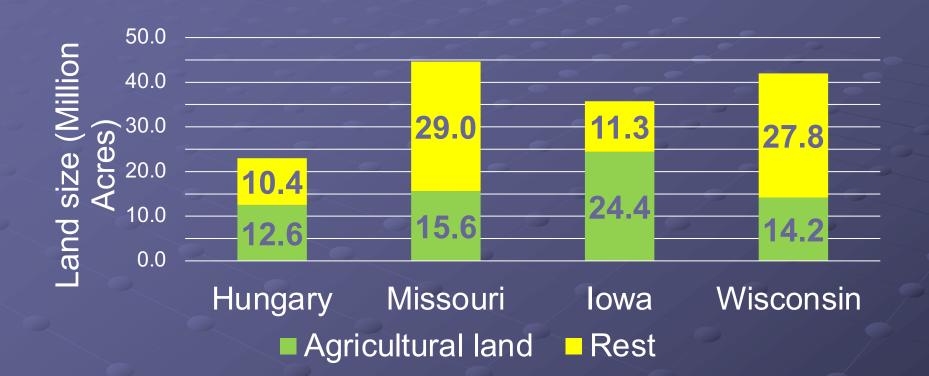
Basic infos

 9,7 Million People
 In the Soviet Union (CCCP) End of WW2 1990. March 10.
 Part of the European Union since 2004. May 1.

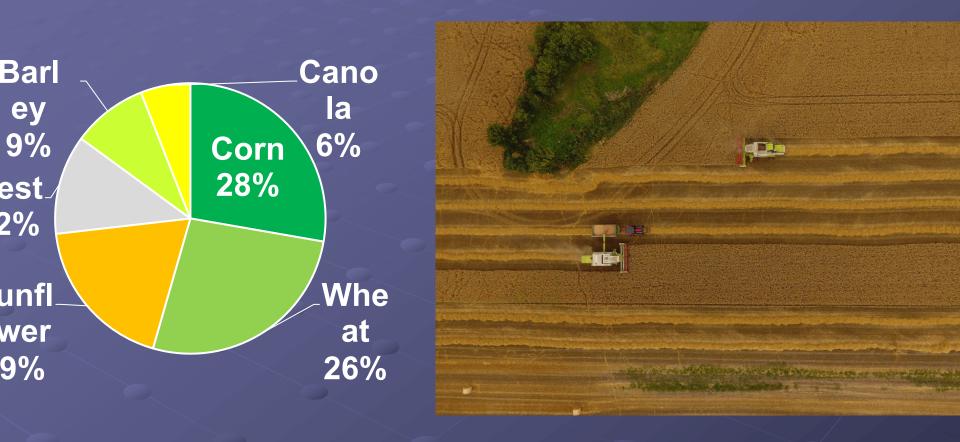
 Avg. Annual precipitation 20-24 inches
 Avg. Temperature 50 F



Land comparison



Crops in Hungary





Diesel Prices

Last 5 years around
3,5 – 4,2
USD/Gallon

Right now7,9 USD/Gallon

Subsidy 45 \$/ acres 75 \$/ acres (with high strict rules)









