

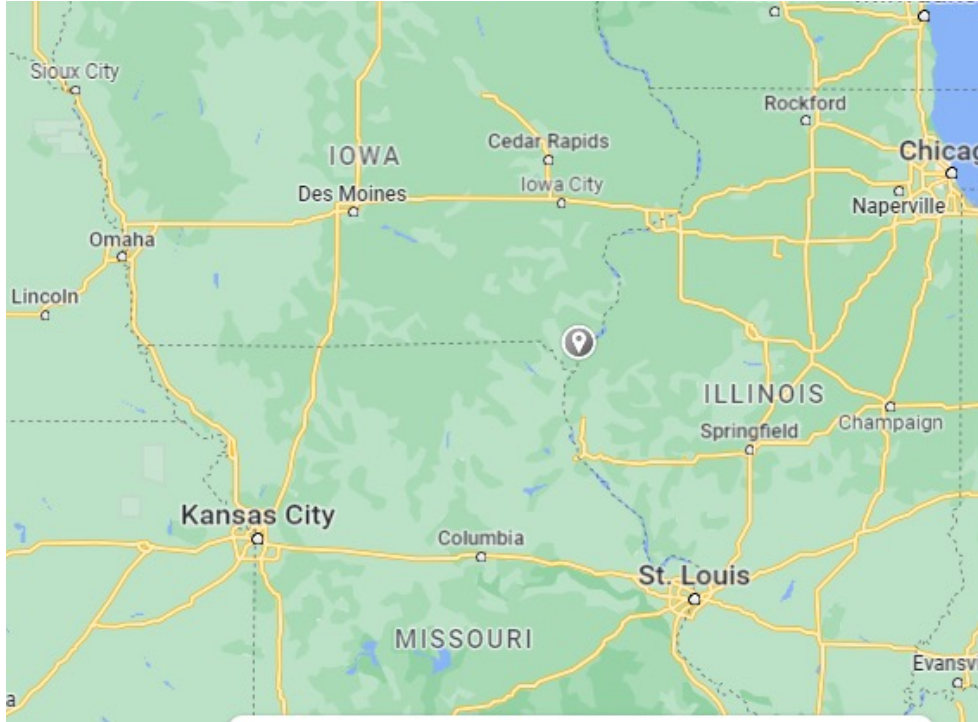


# Increase Your Planting Success

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## Western Illinois University

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE



# Yetter Farm Equipment

- 21 years at Yetter
- Been on hundreds of farms
- Learning opportunities have been amazing
- Get to visit with thousands of farmers at No Till Conference!



# Experiences shape our life, how we see things, and how we operate.

- The Talk
- Wanted to farm, how do we achieve that?
- Learn something new every day.
- Do things differently.
- Do what others can't, or won't.



# Finding My Niche

- A farmer has a lot of things going on while planting.
- When I am in your field I care about one thing, giving each seed the best opportunity to succeed.
- I get asked, “what are you looking for?”
- Sometimes you just have to be smart enough to pay attention.





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# Drying Soil Conditions





# Cover Crop, Strip Freshener to create uniformity, plant





# Ideal Seed Growing Environment

How do we know?

Google is great if you ask the right questions.

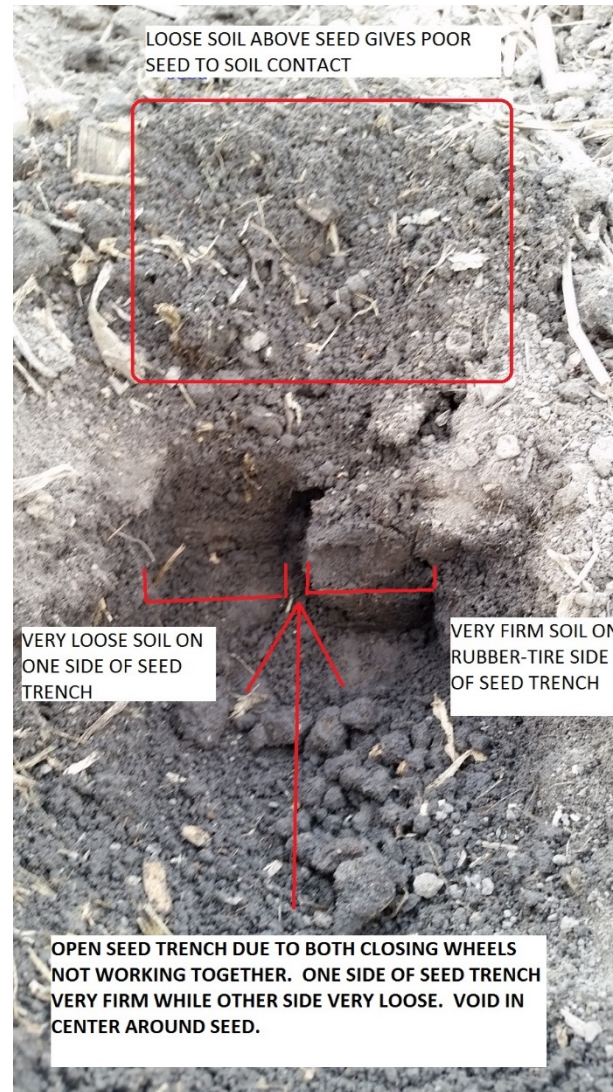
You have to have the correct tools.



It's easy when it's ugly







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Don't wait until it's too late





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# Trust, But Verify



# Keys to changing your planting success

- #1 We have to put in the effort
- #2 We have to understand how
- #3 We have to be smart enough to pay attention
- #4 We have to ask the right questions
- #5 We have to be willing to change
  - How we operate
  - For weather/conditions
  - Our expectations/acceptance
- #6 Do it when it counts



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