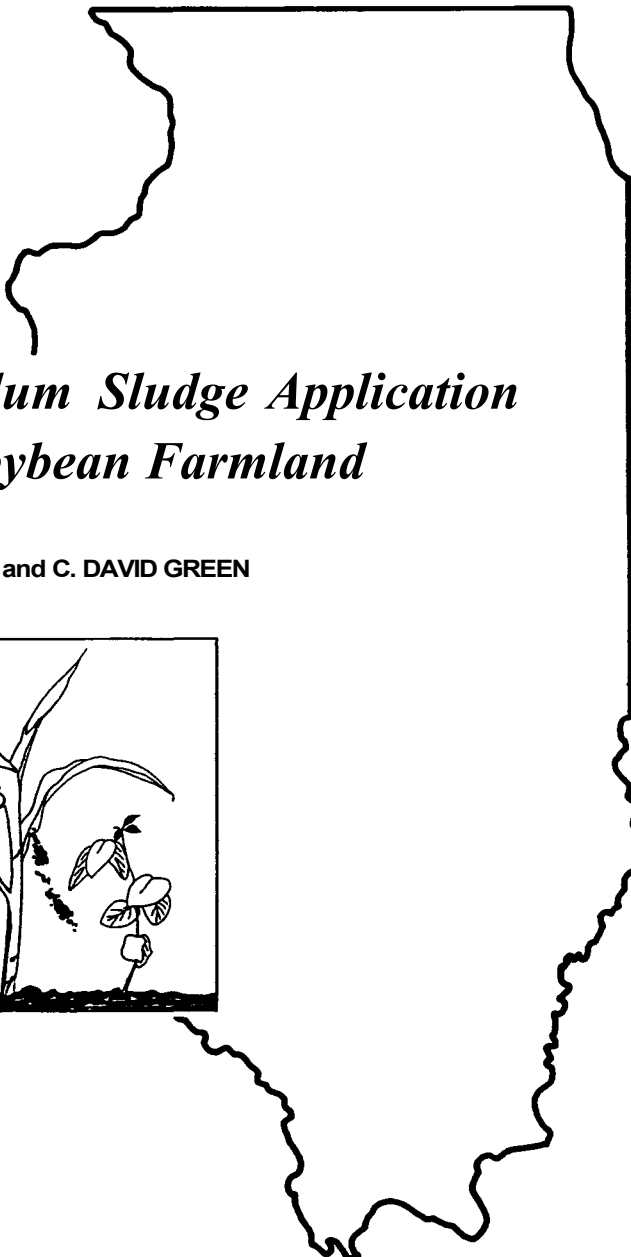


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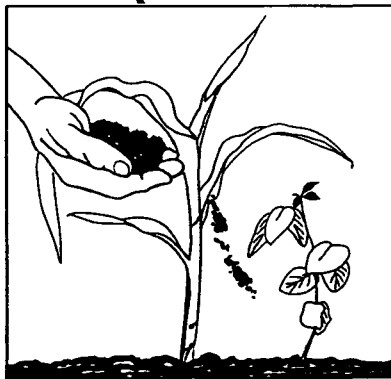
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## ABSTRACT

A two-year field study was conducted to assess the impact of applying air-dried alum sludge to farmland used for growing corn and soybeans. The study was carried out at the Northwestern Agricultural Research and Demonstration Center of the University of Illinois. Alum sludge was applied at four rates (0, 2.5, 10, and 20 tons/acre) with three replicate test plots for each rate. Sludge was applied once, in the first year of the study (1986).

Determinations were made of the effects of alum sludge application on soil properties, corn and soybean yields, and plant parameters. Determinations also were made of the uptake and accumulation of heavy metals and nutrient levels in whole plants, leaf tissues, and grains. The collected data were analyzed by the least-significant-differences method.

The 29 soil properties measured showed no significant effects of the alum sludge applications in either corn or soybean plots. Differences in corn yields were observed only in 1986; however, these were not due to alum sludge applications. For both years, other corn plant parameters and soybean yield and plant parameters were not affected by alum sludge applications. The levels of plant nutrients and heavy metals in grains, whole plants, and leaves were also not significantly changed by the alum sludge applications.

Application of air-dried alum sludge to farmland appeared to have no beneficial or adverse effects on soil and crops, and led to no apparent environmental degradation. Therefore it may be a feasible alternative for sludge disposal.

## INTRODUCTION

The treatment processes at water treatment plants may include aeration, coagulation, sedimentation, softening, iron and manganese removal, and disinfection (with or without other treatments). With the exception of disinfection (chlorination is commonly used), each water treatment process generates residues, either solids, liquids, semi-solids, or brines. The waste residues consist mainly of impurities in the raw water and small quantities of residues produced by the chemical treatments.

The type, quantity, and properties of the residues generated by water treatment plants vary depending on many factors. The major types of waste streams from water treatment plants are alum sludge re-

tained in flocculators and sedimentation basins, washwaters generated from filter backwash operations (alum sludge and/or lime sludge), lime sludge precipitates from the lime softening process, brines from the ion-exchange (zeolite) softening process, iron removal sludge from iron filter backwash wastewater, and sand and iron sludge removed from the slow sand filters.

Alum is the most widely used primary coagulant in Illinois and in the nation. Activated silica, clay, and a variety of polymers are used as coagulant aids. Alum coagulation process residues may contain aluminum hydroxide, sand, clay, colloidal material, inorganic and organic matter, and microorganisms.

Residues of alum coagulation and sedimentation have feathering and gelatinous characteristics with a moisture content of approximately 98.5 to 99.0 percent. They vary in color from light yellow-brown to solid black (if powdered activated carbon is added). Alum sludge settles readily but does not dewater easily.

In the past, water plant residues have been discharged to the nearest drainage courses or receiving waters. Federal and state regulations classify water treatment plant wastes (residues or sludge) with other industrial wastes and prohibit their direct discharge, except in certain cases. All sludge generators in Illinois are responsible for the proper disposal of sludge and must provide details of their plans for the ultimate disposal of sludge to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) as a part of any permit application for any facility that will generate sludge.

As defined by the IEPA (1982), sludge is considered to be the process sidestream residue, which consists of a solid material removed from the main-stream process. Sludge includes any solids, semi-solid, or liquid waste generated from a municipal, commercial, or industrial wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility or any other such waste facility with similar characteristics and effects.

In Illinois, the rules and regulations on ultimate sludge disposal are published in Title 35, Subtitle C, Chapter II, Part 391, "Design Criteria for Sludge Application on Land" (IEPA, 1984). A shorter version of the guidelines on sludge regulation is published in "Illinois EPA Sludge Regulation Guidance Document" (IEPA, 1982). These documents give direction to sludge generators, handlers, users, consultants, and the general public.

Present sludge disposal practices of water treatment plants in Illinois include lagooning, landfilling, agricultural use, and burying of sludge on plant property. Sludge may also be incinerated or may be used in silviculture or horticulture, as a construction filling material, or for landscaping. Many water plants will soon run out of lagooning space. Ultimately, the dried sludge has to be disposed of somewhere. This is the problem encountered in the water industry.

Although alum sludge from water treatment plants is not considered a hazardous waste, the IEPA states that alum sludge has a tendency to cause soil to harden and that it does not provide any beneficial value. For this reason, the sludge must not be applied to agricultural land (IEPA, 1982). However,

complete and pertinent data on the land application of alum sludge is lacking. For example, the use of alum sludge on agricultural land may have nutritional benefits. On the other hand, possible disadvantages are that phytotoxicity of metals in sludge might reduce crop yields; uptake and accumulation of heavy metals in plant tissue and crops might make crops unsafe for animal or human consumption; alum sludge might be toxic to soil microorganisms that degrade organic compounds in the sludge; and constituents in the sludge might pollute ground water, thereby posing a public health threat.

## Objectives

The purpose of this study was to assess the benefits and risks of alum sludge application to farmland used for growing corn and soybeans. The study was intended to address some of the concerns regarding alum sludge application to farmland stated above. The effects of the alum sludge in the second year after application were also examined.

The specific objectives were to monitor 29 characteristics of the soils in the test plots, the uptake and accumulation of heavy metals by plants, other nutrients in plant tissues, crop yields, and other plant parameters.

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# MATERIALS AND METHODS

## Alum Sludge

Alum sludge was hand-shoveled from a sludge lagoon at the Peoria water treatment facility (Illinois-American Water Company) and dried on the driveway of the lagoons on March 27, 1986. The sludge was turned over several times to aid in its drying.

On April 7, 1986, a truckload (about 20 tons) of dry alum sludge was transported to the test site. The dry sludge was stored inside a shelter near the test site until application. It proved impossible to break apart the lumps of sludge by hand during application, and many of these small clods were still visible at harvest.

## Test Plots

The field study was conducted at the Northwestern Agricultural Research and Demonstration Center of the University of Illinois, Monmouth, Illinois. The soils at this site are Tama silt loam, Muscatine silt loam, and Sable silty clay loam, which are typical of much of the agricultural land in Illinois.

Each test plot was 15 x 30 feet (4.6 x 9.2 meters) with a 4.6-meter border area around all the plots. For each crop grown, three replicate plots were used for a control and for each of three sludge application rates.

During the first year of the study, treatments were applied in a randomized block design for corn and in a completely randomized design for soybeans. In the second year, the crops were reversed between the two groups of test plots. The dried alum sludge was applied only once (during 1986), and its impact was investigated during the growing seasons of 1986 and 1987.

## Field Operation

The fieldwork schedules for the first and second years are summarized in tables 1 and 2, respectively. The tables list the dates of tillage, fertilizer and herbicide applications, weed control, sludge application, planting, and collection of soil samples. The major fieldwork was carried out from April through October in both 1986 and 1987.

Prior to sludge application, 150 pounds per acre (lb/a) of phosphorus as  $P_2O_5$  was applied to the soybean plots, including the border areas. Anhydrous

ammonia was applied at a rate of 180 lb/a of nitrogen to the corn plots and border areas.

Alum sludge applications were made prior to planting in 1986 only. No sludge was applied in 1987. The four sludge application rates were zero (control), 2.5, 10.0, and 20.0 tons/acre (t/a), which are equivalent to 0, 0.56, 2.24, and 4.48 kilograms of dry sludge per square meter of land, respectively. Sludge was spread by hand on April 22, 1986, and was then incorporated with a disk to a depth of 4 inches (10 centimeters). Each area was disked and harrowed again prior to planting.

Sieben-brand 35XS corn was planted at 26,600 seeds per acre on April 24, 1986. Counter 15G insecticide was applied with the planter to control rootworms. Sieben-brand 235 soybeans were planted in 30-inch rows on May 23, 1986, at a rate of approximately 165,000 seeds/acre. Ridomil (6.67 lb/a) and Amiben 10G (10 lb/a) were added with the planter to control insects and weeds, respectively.

A preemergence application of Bicep (3 qt/a) and Bladex 80W (0.6 lb/a) gave excellent weed control in the corn plots. Amiben DS (2.6 lb/a) and Dual (3 pt/a) controlled most of the weeds in the soybean plots. Field bindweed was controlled in the soybean plots with a spot application of Roundup. The corn was cultivated once in June 1986.

For the 1987 fieldwork, anhydrous ammonia was applied to the corn test plots on April 9 at the rate of 180 lb/a of nitrogen, as shown in table 2. The corn test plots were disked and harrowed on April 25, and the soybean plots on May 11. Sieben 43XS hybrid corn (27,700 seeds/a) was planted on April 27, and FS brand 265 soybeans (150,000 seeds/a) were planted on May 11.

On April 28, 1987, composite soil samples were pulled from each test plot. Preemergence herbicides (Dual, Bladex, and Atrazine) were applied to the corn plots on May 5, and Lasso MT and Amiben DS were applied to the soybean plots on May 18. The corn test plots were cultivated on June 8.

Postemergence herbicides (Fusilade 2000, Basagran, Reflex, and crop oil concentrate) were applied to the soybean plots on June 5 and June 19. On June 24, weeds in the soybean plots were hoed by hand.

In 1987, leaf tissue samples were taken on July 10 for corn and on July 21 for soybeans. Harvesting and collection of plant tissue and grain samples were carried out on October 5 for soybeans and on October 7 for corn. Additionally, three composite soil samples were pulled from each plot during the study.

**Table 1. Field Record for 1986**

*Corn test plots*

4/3/86	Applied anhydrous ammonia at 180 lb/a of nitrogen
4/22/86	Applied sludge, disked (8-ft disk) to incorporate sludge to 4 inches in depth
4/24/86	Pulled soil samples, planted Sieben 35XS, Counter 15G, 8.7 lb/a (26,600 k/a), disked with harrow
4/29/86	Preemergent Bicep applied at 3 qt/a (Dual 1.875 lb/a, Atrazine 1.5 lb/a), and Bladex 80W at 0.6 lb/a (0.5 lb/a active ingredient) was applied
5/3-4/86	Plant emergence
6/3/86	Cultivation
6/13/86	Pulled soil samples
7/21/86	Leaf samples taken
8/13/86	Pulled soil samples
10/21/86	Pulled soil samples, harvested

*Soybean test plots*

11/7/85	Soil sampled (Research Center)
11/8/85	Applied 150 lb/a of P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>
11/21/85	Chisel-plowed
4/2/86	Disked
4/22/86	Applied sludge, disked with 8-ft disk to incorporate sludge to 5 inches in depth
5/6/86	Disked with harrow
5/21/86	Disked with harrow twice, pulled soil samples
5/23/86	Planted with Sieben 235 (165,000 seeds/a), applied Ridomil 6.67 lb/a and Amiben (granule) 10 lb/a in a 10-inch band
5/29/86	Applied Amiben DS 2.6 lb/a and Dual 3 pt/a
7/18/86	Pulled soil samples
7/21/86	Leaf samples taken
8/29/86	Pulled soil samples
10/21/86	Pulled soil samples, harvested

**Sample Collections**

*Soil Samples*

Soil samples were pulled with a Hoffer soil sampling tube to a depth of 6 inches (15 cm). The sampler is 3/4 inch (1.9 cm) in diameter and 36 inches (91 cm) in length. Eight soil samples were pulled and composited for each test plot. The soil samples were refrigerated until they were analyzed. During each year of the study, soil samples were collected in April for each test plot and then every other month during the growing season (tables 1 and 2).

*Leaf Tissues*

When pollination started, one corn leaf opposite and below the ear was cut off for tissue analyses. Ten

corn leaves were cut per test plot. For soybeans, the uppermost fully expanded trifoliolate was cut from the stem. Fifteen soybean leaves were collected per test plot. The leaf samples, as well as the whole plant tissues and grains, were ground at the Orr Research Center of the University of Illinois.

*Harvest (Grains)*

The corn ears in the two center corn rows were harvested by hand (the remaining rows were later machine-harvested). The total weight of the harvested corn ears was determined with a tripod scale and then averaged for each treatment. Several ears from each row were shelled (figure 1) to determine the shelling percentage (weight of grain/weight of corn ear), grain moisture, and test weight.



**Table 2. Field Record for 1987**

*Corn test plots*

4/9/87	Applied anhydrous ammonia at 180 lb/a of nitrogen
4/25/87	Disked and harrowed
4/27/87	Planted Sieben 43XS hybrid corn at 27,700 seeds/acre
4/28/87	Pulled soil samples
5/5/87	Preemergence herbicide application: Dual (3.0 pts/a), Bladex (0.8 qt/a), Atrazine (0.8 qt/a)
6/8/87	Cultivated
7/10/87	Leaf tissue samples taken
7/17/87	Pulled soil samples
9/4/87	Pulled soil samples
10/7/87	Machine-harvested corn plots (collected residue and grain samples)
10/15/87	Pulled soil samples

*Soybean test plots*

4/28/87	Pulled soil samples
5/11/87	Disked and harrowed
5/11/87	Planted FS brand 265 soybeans (150,000 seeds/a) in 30 inch rows
5/18/87	Preemergence herbicide application: Lasso MT (3.0 qt/a) and Amiben DS (2.6 lbs/a)
6/5/87	Postemergence herbicide application: Fusilade 2000 (0.75 pt/a), Crop oil concentrate (1.0 qt/a)
6/19/87	Postemergence herbicide application: Basagran (1 qt/a), Reflex (0.8 pt/a), Crop oil concentrate (1 qt/a)
6/24/87	Hoed (hand-weeded) the weeds
6/26/87	Pulled soil samples
7/21/87	Leaf tissue samples taken
8/21/87	Pulled soil samples
10/5/87	Machine-harvested soybean plots (residue and grain samples taken)
10/15/87	Pulled soil samples

The two center soybean rows were harvested with a Hagie plot combine (see figure 2). The grain was then air-dried in a grain bin and ground with a Bur mill.

***Whole Plant Tissues***

Five corn plants were cut randomly at the time of harvest for analyses of plant tissues. In conformance with general practice, this did not include roots or corn ears. Soybean plant tissues were collected with a paper grocery shopping bag from the residue left at the rear-end of the plot combine during harvesting. The plant tissues were ground by a Willey mill.

**Field Measurements**

Field measurements were made on grain weight, corn and soybean plant populations, and soybean height.

***Yield***

The total weight of six to eight corn ears before shelling and the total weight of the cobs were measured. The difference between these two measurements represents the weight of the kernels. The percentage of kernel weight compared to the total weight was then determined.

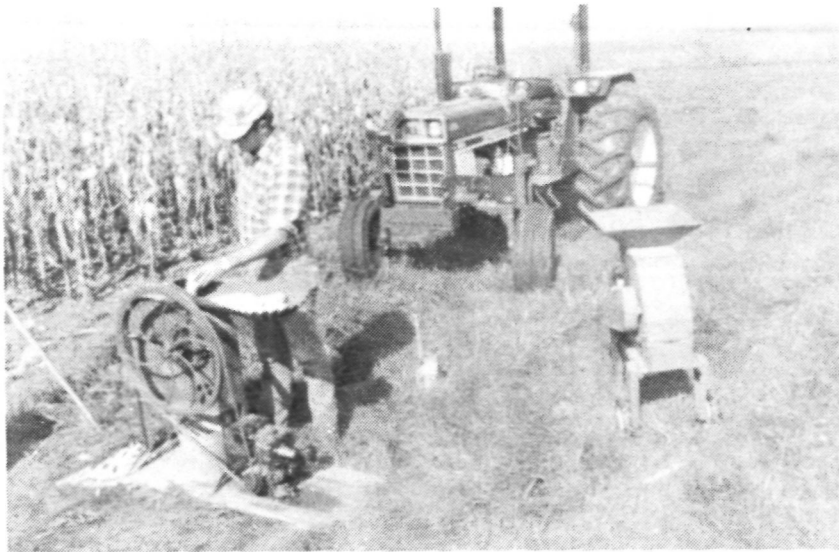


Figure 1. Shelling corn



Figure 2. Harvesting soybeans

The total weight of corn ears harvested from the two center rows was also measured. Multiplying the percentage of kernels and total harvested weight gave the grain weight for the two rows harvested in each test plot. Given the dimensions of the area and assuming 60 pounds per bushel, the corn yield can be calculated from the kernel weight and the size of the area. The corn yield is expressed in bushels per acre (bu/a) at 15.5 percent moisture.

Similarly, soybean yields were determined after measurements were made of the total weight of soy-

beans harvested and the growing area. Soybean yield is expressed in bushels per acre at 13 percent moisture content.

### ***Plant Population***

For both corn and soybeans, the number of plants in two 5-foot-long sections were counted. On the basis of the area covered by these two 5-foot-long sections, the plant population was converted to number of plants per acre.

## Soybean Height

The soybean height was measured in inches from the surface of the ground to the top of the main stem after the leaves fell. The heights of ten soybean plants per test plot were determined, and the average value is reported.

## Laboratory Analyses

In the laboratory, the following physical and chemical determinations were made on the soil samples: total solids, organic matter, moisture content, bulk density, pH, soil acidity, ammonia-nitrogen (NH<sub>3</sub>-N), nitrate-nitrogen (NO<sub>3</sub>-N), Kjeldahl-nitrogen, total nitrogen, cation exchange capacity (CEC), Bray P-1, total phosphorus, potassium, aluminum, boron, cadmium, calcium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, nickel, zinc, and particle size distribution (percent sand, silt, and clay). For dry alum sludge, calcium carbonate equivalent (CCE) and citric acid soluble phosphorus were determined in addition to the above parameters, and soil acidity was not determined. The methods and procedures involved in these determinations are indicated in table 3.

Analyses of 11 metals were carried out on both corn and soybean grains, leaves, and whole plants. The metals were aluminum, cadmium, calcium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, nickel, potassium, and zinc. The metal concentrations in soil samples as well as in leaves, grains, and plants were analyzed by atomic absorption (AA) spectrophotometry. However, the extraction procedures were different.

For the metal analyses of soil samples, 0.5 g of dried soil was placed in 75 mL of deionized water. One mL of metals grade HCl and 1 mL of metals grade HNO<sub>3</sub> were added. The soil sample was heated to about 70°C until the volume was reduced to 25 mL. The volume was brought up to 50 mL by rinsing the sides of the beaker. Then 1 mL of HNO<sub>3</sub> was added and heated to 70°C until the volume was reduced to 25 mL. The solution was filtered through a 0.45 µm membrane, diluted to 50.0 mL, and analyzed by AA spectrophotometry.

For the metal analysis of the leaves, grains, and plant samples, 5.0 g of tissue sample were placed in 50 mL of 50 percent HNO<sub>3</sub> solution. The sample was allowed to sit for two hours and then was heated to 70°C until the NO<sub>2</sub> fumes were gone. Five mL of concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> was added, and the solution was heated again at 70°C until the NO<sub>2</sub> fumes were gone. The beaker was cooled and 5.0 mL of concentrated

HCl was added. The beaker was again heated to 70°C until the volume was reduced to 30 mL.

The solution was then filtered with a 0.45 µm membrane and made up to a volume of 50 mL. The extractant solution was analyzed by AA spectrophotometry.

## Statistical Analyses

There are three general approaches to mean separation (determination of which treatment means are significantly different): the use of least significant differences (LSD), the use of Duncan's multiple-range tests, and the use of planned F tests (Little and Hills, 1978).

The LSD method is simplest and is the method most widely used by agronomists. For this study, the LSD method was used for mean separation. The LSD is used only to compare adjacent means in an array unless the F test shows a significant difference. LSD is calculated as follows:

$$\text{LSD} = t \sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{r_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{r_2}} \quad (1)$$

where

$t$  = a tabulated value determined by the degrees of freedom of the variance and the level of significance desired

$S_1^2, S_2^2$  = the estimated variance of plots receiving treatments 1 and 2

$r_1, r_2$  = the number of experimental units receiving treatments 1 and 2, respectively

Assuming  $S_1^2 = S_2^2 = S^2$  and  $r_1 = r_2$ , where  $S^2$  = the mean square for error, then

$$\text{LSD} = t \sqrt{\frac{2 S^2}{r}} \quad (2)$$

All the data (soils, grains, and tissues) obtained except for the pH and cadmium data were subjected to statistical analyses. In 1986 treatments were applied in a randomized block design for corn and in a completely randomized design for soybeans, and two-way and one-way analyses of variance were used for the corn and soybean data, respectively. In 1987 the treatments and statistical analyses were reversed for the two crops. Only when the F test is significant is LSD calculated by equation 2, with a confidence level of 90 percent.

**Table 3. Analytical Procedures**

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Method</i>
Total solids	% residue after evaporation at 110°C for 24 hrs
Moisture content	100% minus % of total solids
Organic matter	% loss after 550° ± 50°C for 1 hr
Bulk density	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Black, 1973), core method, p. 375
pH	Measured on a slurry (10 g soil saturated with double distilled water) after stirring 4 times during a 30-min period
Soil acidity	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), potassium chloride method, p. 163
Calcium carbonate equivalent, CCE	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), Part 2, pressure-calculator method, p. 188
Cation exchange capacity, CEC	Modified by using a centrifuge instead of filtration (Wang, 1975)
Ammonia-nitrogen, NH <sub>3</sub> -N	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), distilled with HBO <sub>2</sub> , pp. 653-654, and analyzed by the indophenol blue method, p. 674
Nitrate-nitrogen, NO <sub>3</sub> -N	Dried soil is extracted with 0.02 N CuSO <sub>4</sub> solution containing Ag <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> (Jackson, 1958). The extract is analyzed by the chromotropic acid method of <i>Standard Methods</i> , 16th ed., 1985, 418 D
Total Kjeldahl-nitrogen	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), digested by the regular Kjeldahl method, p. 610, and analyzed by the indophenol blue method, p. 674
Total nitrogen	Sum of NO <sub>2</sub> -N and total Kjeldahl-N; assuming NO <sub>2</sub> -N is minimal
Citric acid soluble phosphorus	<i>Methods of Analysis of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists</i> (Horwitz, 1980), p. 13
Bray P-1	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), phosphorus soluble in dilute acid-fluoride, p. 416
Total phosphorus	Weighed dried soil is digested with sulfuric/nitric acid mixture and then analyzed according to <i>Standard Methods</i> (1985), digested by H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> + HNO <sub>3</sub> , Sec 424 C - II, and analyzed by ascorbic acid method, Sec. 424 F
Boron, B	<i>Methods of Soil Analysis</i> (Page, 1982), extracted by hot water, p. 443, and analyzed by the azomethine-H method, p. 435
Heavy metals	Extracted with HCl and HNO <sub>3</sub> and then analyzed by atomic absorption
Particle size	Sieve-pipet method, by Guy (1969); particles greater than 0.062 mm in size are sand, 0.062 - 0.004 mm are silt, less than 0.004 mm are clay

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Background Information

The characteristics of alum sludge and composted soil samples collected in both corn and soybean plots prior to sludge application are shown in table 4. Characteristics of sewage sludge from the Greater Peoria Sanitary District are also included for reference. Generally, most of the soil properties for both test plots are comparable except for higher nitrogen and total phosphorus concentrations in the corn plots and higher manganese in the soybean plots.

A comparison of the characteristics of alum sludge and soil samples, as indicated in table 4, shows that there were higher pH levels and higher concentrations of organic matter, percent moisture, CEC, all forms of nitrogen, total phosphorus, potassium, boron, aluminum, iron, calcium, magnesium, manganese, and other heavy metals in the sludge. Only Bray P-1 available phosphorus and percent total solids were found to be greater in soils than in alum sludge. In other words, the fertility values of alum sludge, based on the major nutrients and micronutrients, are higher than those of the soils at Monmouth except with regard to Bray P-1 plant-available soil phosphorus.

The CCE test is often used to evaluate the effect of the impurities of agricultural lime. This test involves titrating a sample with an acid until a neutral pH is obtained. An equivalent amount of pure calcium carbonate is then titrated with the acid. Any reduction in acid required for neutralization of the sample is assumed to be a result of the impurities.

The alum sludge from the Peoria waterworks, which was applied to the test plots, had a CCE value of 12.5 percent (table 4). CCE levels for lime-softening sludge from the Champaign-Urbana water treatment plant were between 92 and 95 percent (Russell, 1980). CCE values for agricultural limestone in east-central Illinois typically range from 87 to 91 percent. These values are well above 80 percent, which is generally considered a minimum acceptable value.

The 1986 and 1987 daily precipitation data listed in Appendices A1 and A2 were provided by the Northwestern Agricultural Research and Demonstration Center of the University of Illinois. No soil moisture shortage occurred during the crop growing period.

Monthly 1986 and 1987 weather data are shown in Appendix B for the ranges in air temperature, relative humidity, soil temperature, and precipitation. These data were also obtained from the Research and Demonstration Center.

### Effects on Soil Properties

Results of physical and chemical analyses of soils in the test plots are listed in Appendices C1 through C29. The effects of alum sludge application on the parameters measured in soils, based on the averages of three replicates, are shown in tables 5 through 33.

#### *Total Solids*

The percentage of total solids (TS) in soils was tested four times per year for each corn and soybean plot. The average TS ranged from 76.0 to 83.5 percent for the corn plots and from 78.2 to 83.8 percent for the soybean plots (table 5).

Table 5 shows no significant differences among the four alum sludge treatment rates, except for the soybean plots on September 4, 1987. On this date, the percentages of TS in the 2.5 and 10 t/a soybean plots were significantly greater than that in the 20 t/a soybean plots. (The difference between the two means was larger than 1.4). However, there were no statistical differences between each of the sludge-treated plots and the control plots.

#### *Organic Matter*

As shown in table 6, alum sludge application did not affect the percent of organic matter in the corn plots during the two-year study or in the soybean plots in 1987. However, on May 21, 1986, the percent organic matter in the soybean control plots was significantly higher than that in the 10 and 20 t/a test plots. Also on July 18, 1986, significant differences in organic matter were observed between the 2.5 and 10 t/a plots and between the 2.5 and 20 t/a plots, although no significant difference was observed between the control and any sludge-treated plots. There was no significant effect observed for August 29 or October 21, 1986, or for any 1987 samples as a result of sludge applications. One can conclude that the 1986 alum sludge application had no impact on the organic matter content of soybean plots.

#### *Moisture Content*

As indicated in table 7, on September 4, 1987, the percent of moisture content in soils in the 20 t/a soybean plots was significantly higher than that in either the 2.5 t/a or 10 t/a plots. However, the soil

**Table 4. Characteristics of Alum Sludge and Test Plot Soils Prior to Sludge Application, April 22, 1986**

<i>Parameters</i>	<i>Alum sludge</i>	<i>Corn plots</i>	<i>Soybean plots</i>	<i>GPSD* sewage sludge</i>
Total solids, %	70.3	79.5	80.1	63.6
Organic matter, %	14.4	5.3	7.0	10.5 (VS) <sup>†</sup>
Moisture content, %	29.7	20.5	19.9	
Bulk density, g/cc <sup>‡</sup>	1.97	2.01	2.06	
pH	8.08	5.37	5.39	7.8
Soil acidity, meq/100 g		0.22	0.11	
Calcium carbonate equivalent (CCE), %	12.5	0	0	
Cation exchange capacity (CEC), meq/100 g	17.8	13.9	14.0	
Ammonia-nitrogen (NH <sub>3</sub> -N), mg/kg	297	229	157	500
Nitrate-nitrogen (NO <sub>3</sub> -N), mg/kg	15.1	8.9	4.5	200
Total Kjeldahl-nitrogen, mg/kg	4423	2262	1642	6800
Total nitrogen, mg/kg	4735	2500	1804	7000
Citric acid soluble phosphorus, mg/kg	3543.8			
Bray P-1, mg/kg	3.6	21	20	
Total phosphorus, mg/kg	3544	698	584	27,900 (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )
Potassium (K), %	0.104	0.058	0.070	0.37 (K <sub>2</sub> O)
Aluminum (Al), total, %	2.78	0.99	1.12	2.35
Boron, mg/kg	0.7	0.5	0.3	
Cadmium (Cd), mg/kg	1.9	<1.0	<1.0	11
Calcium (Ca), %	4.936	0.313	0.283	
Chromium (Cr), mg/kg	53	15	17	220
Copper (Cu), mg/kg	35	10	13	469
Iron (Fe), total, %	2.08	1.55	1.18	0.24
Lead (Pb), mg/kg	62	16	11	129
Magnesium (Mg), %	0.759	0.170	0.245	
Manganese (Mn), mg/kg	830	520	680	518
Nickel (Ni), mg/kg	60	26	35	62
Zinc (Zn), mg/kg	160	38	43	310
Particle size distribution, %				
Sand		60.4	2.3	1.3
Silt		23.0	76.9	68.1
Clay		16.6	20.8	30.6

\*GPSD = Greater Peoria Sanitary District (data from Garcia et al., 1981)

<sup>†</sup> VS = volatile solids, %

<sup>‡</sup> Samples were inadvertently compacted

**Table 5. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Solids (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	81.0	79.9	77.9	77.0	79.7	82.5	79.9	81.3	
2.5	80.5	79.9	77.9	76.9	79.6	83.1	80.4	81.6	
10	80.6	80.4	77.9	77.0	80.7	83.0	81.5	82.9	
20	79.7	79.3	77.0	76.0	80.9	83.5	81.4	82.8	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	79.4	81.5	80.0	79.5	78.9	83.8	80.3	80.7	
2.5	79.9	81.0	79.9	79.1	78.7	83.5	81.2	80.7	
10	80.1	81.8	81.7	80.7	78.6	83.3	81.4	81.1	
20	80.1	82.2	81.2	80.8	78.2	82.5	79.3	79.9	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	1.4	NS	

**Table 6. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Organic Matter (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	6.4	6.2	6.3	6.7	4.8	5.1	5.1	5.3	
2.5	6.8	6.6	6.9	6.8	5.3	5.8	5.5	5.9	
10	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.6	3.8	4.3	5.0	4.2	
20	6.9	8.0	7.1	7.1	4.0	4.1	3.9	4.2	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	5.8	5.2	5.2	5.4	6.4	6.9	6.5	6.4	
2.5	5.3	6.3	5.8	5.8	6.8	7.1	6.7	6.8	
10	3.7	4.2	4.2	4.3	6.6	6.9	6.7	6.4	
20	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.4	7.0	7.2	7.3	6.9	
LSD 10%	1.0	1.6	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 7. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Moisture Content (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	19.0	20.1	22.1	23.0	20.3	17.4	20.1	18.7	
2.5	19.5	20.1	22.1	23.1	20.4	16.9	19.6	18.4	
10	19.4	19.6	22.1	23.0	19.3	17.0	18.5	17.1	
20	20.3	20.7	23.0	24.0	19.1	16.5	18.6	17.2	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	20.6	18.5	20.0	20.5	21.1	16.2	19.7	19.3	
2.5	20.1	19.0	20.1	20.9	21.3	16.5	18.8	19.2	
10	19.9	18.2	18.3	19.3	21.4	16.7	18.6	18.9	
20	19.9	17.8	18.8	19.2	21.8	17.5	20.7	20.1	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	1.4	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

moisture content in the control plots was not significantly different from that in any of the sludge application plots.

For the other samples, table 7 suggests that alum sludge application has no effect on the percent moisture in soils for growing either corn or soybeans. Nevertheless, Bugbee and Frink (1985) reported that the media aeration and moisture-holding capacity of potting soil were significantly improved by the addition of alum sludge.

### **Bulk Density**

Some statistical differences were observed in bulk densities (table 8). In the corn plots, on October 21, 1986, bulk density in the 10 t/a plots was significantly greater than that in the control plots; also, on August 21, 1987, bulk density in the 2.5 t/a plots was significantly less than that in the control, 10 t/a, and 20 t/a plots.

For the soybean plots, on July 18, 1986, bulk density in the 10 t/a plots was significantly higher than that in the soybean control plots; also bulk density in both the 10 t/a and 20 t/a plots was significantly greater than that in the 2.5 t/a plots. On July 17, 1987, in the soybean plots, bulk density in the

control and 20 t/a plots was significantly greater than that in the 2.5 t/a plots.

The above results indicate that the differences in bulk densities were inconsistent and occurred once each year for each crop. It cannot be concluded that alum application has any impact on soil bulk density. Similarly, Bugbee and Frink (1985) reported that bulk density was not different among different alum sludge applications to potting soil.

### **pH**

Since the average value of the pH is meaningless, the pH values obtained were not statistically evaluated. The median pH values are presented in table 9. Inspection of Appendix C5 shows that overall pH ranged from 4.86 to 7.63. In general, soil pH values increased with higher sludge application rates because of the higher alum sludge pH. This is a beneficial effect of sludge application.

### **Acidity**

Table 10 indicates that there was no impact on soil acidity in the two years after 1986 alum sludge application.



**Table 8. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Bulk Density (g/cc) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	4/24*	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	2.06	1.52	1.34	1.22	1.40	1.52	1.43	1.48	
2.5	2.03	1.64	1.23	1.25	1.41	1.22	1.21	1.34	
10	2.06	1.67	1.30	1.32	1.51	1.47	1.46	1.40	
20	2.05	1.69	1.26	1.16	1.50	1.50	1.56	1.44	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	0.08	NS	NS	0.16	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21*	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	1.81	1.50	1.43	1.37	1.48	1.31	1.25	1.26	
2.5	1.89	1.38	1.42	1.41	1.42	1.20	1.34	1.31	
10	1.92	1.75	1.49	1.48	1.41	1.30	1.33	1.34	
20	1.95	1.69	1.44	1.44	1.31	1.39	1.29	1.25	
LSD 10%	NS	0.24	NS	NS	NS	1.1	NS	NS	

\*Samples collected on 4/24/86 and 5/21/86 were inadvertently compacted.

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 9. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on pH (median) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	5.07	5.21	5.17	5.20	5.63	5.03	5.31	5.30	
2.5	5.31	5.26	5.11	5.22	5.61	5.17	6.42	5.41	
10	5.37	5.03	5.63	5.37	6.51	5.77	6.18	6.34	
20	5.52	5.23	5.54	5.73	6.75	6.15	6.52	6.61	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	5.30	5.35	5.26	5.52	5.05	5.09	5.20	5.00	
2.5	5.64	5.67	5.75	5.85	5.17	5.06	5.38	4.99	
10	5.82	5.81	6.25	6.15	5.41	5.40	5.55	5.33	
20	6.10	5.99	6.63	6.36	6.00	5.82	6.03	5.58	

Note: The pH values obtained were not statistically evaluated.

**Table 10. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Acidity (meq/100 g) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	0.26	0.33	0.35	0.39	1.27	1.57	2.00	1.57	
2.5	0.27	0.28	0.27	0.33	0.40	0.80	1.00	1.10	
10	0.25	0.26	0.28	0.21	0.23	0.77	0.63	0.63	
20	0.19	0.30	0.18	0.16	0.27	0.23	0.40	0.63	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	0.33	0.29	0.36	0.36	0.22	0.26	0.16	0.24	
2.5	0.13	0.17	0.15	0.10	0.14	0.10	0.19	0.12	
10	0.17	0.14	0.14	0.11	0.10	0.12	0.07	0.20	
20	0.17	0.13	0.14	0.10	0.67	0.09	0.09	0.06	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

### **Ammonia-Nitrogen**

Inspection of table 11 shows that in the soybean plots, on August 29, 1986, ammonia-nitrogen concentrations in the 2.5 t/a plots were significantly greater than those in either the 10 or 20 t/a plots. On April 28, 1987, ammonia-nitrogen concentrations in the three sludge-treated plots were found to be higher than that in the soybean control plots. In fact, the alum sludge application had a positive effect in increasing ammonia-nitrogen content.

No effect was observed for sludge application in the corn plots for the two years. In general, one can conclude that alum sludge application did not affect ammonia-nitrogen in soil.

### **Nitrate-Nitrogen**

Table 12 shows that on August 13, 1986, the nitrate-nitrogen in both the 10 and 20 t/a corn plots was significantly less than that in the control plots. In contrast, on October 21, 1986, the nitrate-nitrogen in the 10 t/a corn plots was significantly higher than that in the control plots. On October 15, 1987, the nitrate-nitrogen in the 2.5 t/a corn plots was

greater than that in the 0, 10, and 20 t/a plots. The observed differences in nitrate-nitrogen were not consistent.

In the soybean plots, sludge application had no effect except on two occasions (table 12). On July 17, 1987, nitrate-nitrogen in both the 10 and 20 t/a plots was significantly greater than that in the control plots. On September 4, 1987, nitrate-nitrogen in the 0, 10, and 20 t/a plots was greater than that in the 2.5 t/a plots. Overall, one can still conclude that nitrate-nitrogen was not changed by alum sludge application for either crop.

### **Kjeldahl- and Total Nitrogen**

It can be seen from tables 13 and 14 that on August 21, 1987, Kjeldahl-nitrogen and total nitrogen were significantly higher in the 2.5 t/a plots than in the 10 and 20 t/a plots, with no difference between treatment and control plots.

With the exception of August 21, 1987, no difference in Kjeldahl-nitrogen or total nitrogen was found during the two-year study. It is concluded that alum sludge application has no effect on Kjeldahl-nitrogen or total nitrogen in soil.

**Table 11. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Ammonia-Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	188	164	172	152	178	155	130	126	
2.5	261	160	190	162	163	202	160	156	
10	274	171	190	160	124	112	96	91	
20	201	183	197	184	107	115	100	86	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	107	113	105	115	138	278	194	201	
2.5	122	168	122	141	158	254	215	212	
10	65	91	72	81	167	266	228	197	
20	72	68	72	72	164	273	221	224	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	37	NS	16	NS	NS	NS	

**Table 12. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Nitrate-Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	23.6	19.5	16.8	4.9	9.3	13.7	9.5	3.2	
2.5	38.0	16.9	10.7	5.1	10.6	31.2	11.7	6.4	
10	43.2	20.8	8.3	6.5	13.2	18.8	9.2	3.2	
20	30.7	20.2	8.6	4.7	13.7	17.6	9.1	3.9	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	8.2	1.2	NS	NS	NS	2.1	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	3.0	3.0	2.3	3.2	6.3	5.7	6.8	6.5	
2.5	2.4	3.5	3.0	3.7	5.4	6.4	5.0	5.6	
10	2.0	2.0	2.7	3.7	5.6	7.3	7.3	5.9	
20	1.9	2.6	2.7	3.5	5.7	6.9	6.7	5.6	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.9	1.1	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 13. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Kjeldahl-Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils**

*Corn plots*

Rate, t/a	1986				1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15
0	2240	2230	2260	2140	1590	1630	1270	1220
2.5	2440	2150	2340	2170	1350	1920	1550	1400
10	2370	2230	2210	2200	1010	1200	800	900
20	2340	2400	2370	2330	1070	1350	770	890
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	540	NS

*Soybean plots*

Rate, t/a	1986				1987			
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15
0	1240	1530	1220	1460	2060	2400	1970	1960
2.5	1490	1930	1550	1640	2270	2440	2080	2040
10	1030	960	900	970	2030	2340	2140	1920
20	1050	1090	1000	1060	2200	2570	2200	2050
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

**Table 14. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils**

*Corn plots*

Rate, t/a	1986				1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15
0	2260	2250	2280	2140	1600	1640	1280	1220
2.5	2480	2170	2350	2180	1360	1950	1560	1410
10	2410	2250	2220	2200	1030	1230	810	910
20	2370	2420	2380	2330	1080	1370	770	890
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	1110	NS

*Soybean plots*

Rate, t/a	1986				1987			
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15
0	1240	1540	1230	1460	2070	2410	1980	2010
2.5	1490	1940	1550	1340	2270	2450	2090	2050
10	1030	970	900	980	2030	2380	2150	1930
20	1050	1090	1010	1060	2210	2580	2210	2060
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

### Cation Exchange Capacity

On August 13, 1986, average CEC in the 10 t/a plots was significantly less than that in the control, 2.5, and 20 t/a plots (table 15). Aside from this, table 15 shows that there was no difference in CEC between the treatment and the control plots. CEC was not affected by sludge application.

### Bray P-1

In the corn plots, on both June 13 and October 21, 1986, Bray P-1 in both the 10 and 20 t/a plots was significantly higher than that in the control and 2.5 t/a plots (table 16). There is a beneficial effect of increased plant-available Bray P-1 with alum sludge application as a result of the high total phosphorus in the sludge (table 4).

Similarly, on September 4, 1987, in both the 10 and 20 t/a soybean plots, Bray P-1 was statistically higher than that in the control or 2.5 t/a plots (table 16). Thus a few incidents of increased Bray P-1 in soil after high alum sludge applications were documented; however, 13 of 16 comparisons showed no significant differences in Bray P-1 resulting from

sludge application. Thus it can be concluded that sludge application has no effect on Bray P-1.

In contrast, in their potting soil amendment study, Bugbee and Frink (1985) claimed that "phosphorus deficiencies caused by the addition of dried alum sludge cannot likely be overcome by doubling the initial phosphorus fertilization." Grabarek and Krug (1987) reported that alum sludge bound phosphorus, making it unavailable or slowly available to maple and hemlock plants.

### Total Phosphorus

As shown in table 17, for the June 13, 1986, soil tests, the average total phosphorus in the 20 t/a corn plots was significantly greater than that in the control, 2.5, and 10 t/a plots. On October 21, 1986, total phosphorus in the 20 t/a soybean plots was significantly less than that in the control and 2.5 t/a plots. On September 4, 1987, total phosphorus in the 20 t/a soybean plots was significantly greater than that in the control, 2.5 t/a, or 10 t/a soybean plots. The differences were inconsistent. It can be concluded that total phosphorus levels were not affected by the sludge amendments.

**Table 15. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Cation Exchange Capacity (meq/100 g) in Soils**

Corn plots									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	14.4	20.2	18.7	18.4	18.3	17.6	22.8	23.9	
2.5	14.4	20.1	20.4	17.7	18.3	18.2	20.3	27.2	
10	13.3	19.8	16.6	17.1	17.0	19.8	22.6	23.4	
20	13.3	21.6	19.7	19.1	17.5	20.6	23.8	29.8	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	2.1	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
Soybean plots									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	15.2	18.9	18.6	17.3	17.2	23.1	25.0	23.1	
2.5	15.5	20.0	18.5	17.7	18.7	21.7	19.2	22.7	
10	14.1	17.7	17.8	16.0	18.6	20.1	21.6	21.3	
20	15.1	18.2	17.6	17.0	19.9	24.1	21.1	28.2	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 16. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Bray P-1 (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	4/24	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		6/13	8/13	8/21			10/15		
0	10	13	13	13	11	13	12	12	12
2.5	12	11	14	14	12	18	12	15	15
10	15	17	17	16	10	15	12	12	12
20	13	19	18	20	13	17	14	16	16
LSD 10%	NS	4	NS	3	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	5/21	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		7/18	8/29	9/4			10/15		
0	16	26	23	19	9.4	10.5	11.2	11.0	11.0
2.5	18	34	20	25	8.9	14.0	10.3	12.7	12.7
10	18	25	22	22	11.7	13.3	15.3	15.7	15.7
20	33	18	25	27	13.4	17.3	18.7	16.3	16.3
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	3.6	NS	NS

**Table 17. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Phosphorus (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	4/24	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		6/13	8/13	8/21			10/15		
0	566	661	635	641	514	537	690	555	555
2.5	497	593	593	524	591	590	671	597	597
10	495	616	563	569	500	550	595	521	521
20	643	805	703	706	508	506	588	506	506
LSD 10%	NS	103	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	5/21	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		7/18	8/29	9/4			10/15		
0	547	608	507	523	635	660	609	733	733
2.5	656	640	593	599	532	551	589	654	654
10	544	578	527	452	569	661	631	695	695
20	508	506	472	416	648	691	749	705	705
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	105	NS	NS	98	NS	NS

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

One of the major concerns in the agricultural use of water plant sludge is that coagulation sludges contain high concentrations of aluminum and iron hydroxides, which strongly fix phosphorus and may result in phosphorus deficiencies in crops. The equilibrium phosphorus concentration (EPC) is defined as the amount of phosphorus immediately available to the plant roots. An EPC of 50 micrograms of phosphorus per liter (ug P/L) is typically considered favorable for plant growth.

Elliott et al. (1989) found that with 5 percent sludge addition to a silt loam and sand, the EPC reduced to less than 10 ug P/L from 150-250 ug P/L. A sludge addition of 1 to 2 percent caused the EPC levels to fall below 50 ug P/L. They recommended that 10 to 20 dry t/a be an upper limit on soil loading for crop production.

### Potassium

On August 21, 1987, the potassium in the 2.5 and 20 t/a corn plots was significantly higher than that in the control and 10 t/a plots (table 18). Also on May 21, 1986, potassium in the 2.5 t/a soybean plots was significantly greater than that in the plots that had

the other three application rates. With these two exceptions, the average potassium levels in soils were not affected by sludge application for either crop.

### Total Aluminum

A difference in total aluminum concentrations was observed in the corn plots on three sampling dates (table 19). On April 24, 1986, the average soil aluminum in the 2.5 t/a corn plots was significantly higher than that in the control plots. For the August 13, 1986, samples, aluminum in the 2.5 t/a corn plots was statistically less than that in the control and 20 t/a plots. On October 21, 1986, each of the three types of sludge-amended corn plots had higher aluminum concentrations than the control corn plots. There were no differences in aluminum levels in the corn plots on June 13, 1986, or in the 1987 samples. Thus the differences in aluminum levels in the corn plots were inconsistent.

In the soybean plots, differences in aluminum were not significant for any of the eight sampling dates (table 19). It may be concluded that alum sludge application had no effect on soil aluminum concentrations.

**Table 18. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Potassium (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	760	730	530	650	1000	1070	690	750	
2.5	800	770	520	640	590	1000	760	800	
10	780	800	520	650	860	840	690	800	
20	820	690	560	650	1000	1160	740	750	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	30	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	730	750	720	740	800	810	670	650	
2.5	980	690	620	830	730	870	690	650	
10	760	700	680	610	680	940	670	650	
20	820	700	630	730	730	890	710	650	
LSD 10%	110	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 19. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Aluminum (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986					1987			
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	0.93	1.02	1.06	0.97	1.00	1.51	1.13	1.15	
2.5	1.04	1.06	0.97	1.05	1.04	1.43	1.12	1.21	
10	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.04	0.88	1.26	1.09	1.15	
20	0.97	1.08	1.08	1.05	0.95	1.60	1.13	1.16	
LSD 10%	0.07	NS	0.06	0.04	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	0.98	1.03	1.10	1.11	0.89	1.02	1.02	0.96	
2.5	1.00	1.05	1.07	1.09	0.90	1.12	1.05	1.00	
10	0.88	1.03	1.04	1.02	0.92	1.19	1.07	1.09	
20	1.02	1.01	1.01	1.09	0.88	1.20	1.13	1.03	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

### **Boron**

Boron levels in the 10 t/a soybean plots were significantly greater than those in the control plots for the September 4, 1987, tests (table 20). On October 15, 1987, average boron levels were significantly higher in all plots to which sludge had been added than in the control plots. There was no difference for the other six sampling dates for soybean plots, and no difference for any of the sampling dates for corn plot samples.

### **Cadmium**

Statistical analyses were not performed for cadmium in all soil samples (averages were not determined) because the cadmium levels in many samples were below detectable levels. The average cadmium concentrations for some sampling dates are listed in table 21.

### **Calcium, Chromium, and Copper**

As shown in tables 22 through 24, calcium, chromium, and copper concentrations in soils were not

affected by alum sludge applications to either corn or soybean plots. Chromium analyses inadvertently were not performed for any 1987 soil samples.

### **Total Iron**

It can be seen from table 25 that on August 13, 1986, total iron levels in all sludge-amended corn plots were significantly lower than in the control corn plots. However, there was no significant difference in iron levels between the control and treated plots for the other seven corn sampling dates or for any of the soybean tests.

### **Lead**

As table 26 indicates, lead concentrations in corn plots and in soybean plots (except on July 18, 1986) showed no significant difference with sludge applications. On July 18, 1986, lead levels in the 2.5 t/a soybean plots were significantly greater than those in the control plots, and lead levels in the 20 t/a soybean plots were significantly lower than those in the control, 2.5 t/a, and 10 t/a plots.



**Table 20. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Boron (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	0.32	0.41	0.35	0.44	0.43	0.20	0.24	0.31	
2.5	0.27	0.48	0.39	0.36	0.46	0.20	0.25	0.33	
10	0.29	0.49	0.41	0.36	0.35	0.20	0.22	0.34	
20	0.29	0.42	0.42	0.37	0.31	0.27	0.22	0.29	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	0.43	0.37	0.33	0.30	0.87	0.30	0.36	0.32	
2.5	0.30	0.37	0.30	0.23	0.86	0.32	0.45	0.38	
10	0.33	0.27	0.33	0.17	0.65	0.29	0.53	0.42	
20	0.30	0.23	0.23	0.10	0.54	0.29	0.45	0.39	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.10	0.05	

**Table 21. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Cadmium (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	0.68	-	-	0.87	0.37	-	0.48	0.42	
2.5	-	-	1.30	0.88	0.49	0.40	0.60	0.56	
10	-	-	-	-	0.82	0.55	0.84	0.59	
20	-	-	-	1.07	0.66	0.56	0.77	0.79	
LSD 10%					0.26		NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	-	0.96	1.48	0.08	0.89	0.33	0.36	0.56	
2.5	0.55	-	1.52	-	0.73	0.57	0.72	0.69	
10	0.46	-	1.10	-	0.95	0.27	0.54	0.73	
20	-	-	1.23	-	0.80	0.13	0.42	0.66	
LSD 10%					NS	0.19	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 22. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Calcium (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	0.362	0.476	0.288	0.315	0.267	0.294	0.260	0.264	
2.5	0.287	0.306	1.044	0.272	0.502	0.386	0.321	0.338	
10	0.270	0.270	0.292	0.265	0.954	1.136	0.772	0.875	
20	0.377	0.340	0.334	0.352	0.512	0.413	0.417	0.397	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	0.227	0.223	0.274	0.259	0.465	0.458	0.355	0.339	
2.5	0.475	0.310	0.381	0.422	0.419	0.375	0.242	0.281	
10	1.170	0.764	0.248	0.895	0.406	0.382	0.292	0.331	
20	0.360	0.432	0.368	0.384	0.472	0.505	0.383	0.360	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

**Table 23. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Chromium (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	15	17	17	15	Did not analyze				
2.5	17	17	17	16	Did not analyze				
10	17	16	15	16	Did not analyze				
20	16	17	16	14	Did not analyze				
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	Did not analyze				

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	17	17	18	17	Did not analyze				
2.5	18	17	17	15	Did not analyze				
10	18	19	18	16	Did not analyze				
20	17	18	18	17	Did not analyze				
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	Did not analyze				

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 24. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Copper (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	4/24	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		6/13	8/13	8/21			10/15		
0	12	13	23	12	15	23	18	17	17
2.5	14	12	16	13	14	19	17	16	16
10	13	11	14	12	15	22	19	18	18
20	11	12	15	11	15	24	19	19	19
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	5/21	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		7/18	8/29	9/4			10/15		
0	14	16	15	14	13	19	15	14	14
2.5	14	14	14	13	13	19	16	15	15
10	14	17	14	14	13	23	15	15	15
20	16	15	14	14	12	21	15	15	15
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

**Table 25. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Total Iron (%) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	4/24	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		6/13	8/13	8/21			10/15		
0	1.08	1.23	1.73	1.18	1.82	1.97	1.76	1.89	1.89
2.5	1.18	1.18	1.50	1.29	1.69	1.79	1.62	1.80	1.80
10	1.10	1.17	1.46	1.28	1.65	1.73	1.76	1.89	1.89
20	1.03	1.17	1.47	1.09	1.75	2.19	1.85	1.58	1.58
LSD 10%	NS	NS	0.13	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	5/21	1986			10/21	4/28	1987		
		7/18	8/29	9/4			10/15		
0	1.36	1.45	1.79	1.65	1.57	1.71	1.53	1.50	1.50
2.5	1.40	1.30	1.64	1.42	1.55	1.61	1.57	1.33	1.33
10	1.36	1.58	1.70	1.66	1.58	1.78	1.39	1.51	1.51
20	1.44	1.58	1.54	1.80	1.46	1.71	1.44	1.36	1.36
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 26. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Lead (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	17	14	12	20	17	22	15	18	
2.5	17	18	13	19	15	19	17	17	
10	19	16	15	17	18	19	16	19	
20	17	17	16	19	16	19	17	18	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	16	16	20	16	16	19	18	16	
2.5	17	19	17	17	17	17	17	19	
10	17	18	19	16	17	18	17	15	
20	15	13	19	15	15	19	18	16	
LSD 10%	NS	2	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

### **Magnesium**

Table 27 shows that sludge amendment had no effect on magnesium levels in the test plots except on July 17, 1987. On this date, all sludge-amended soybean plots showed significant decreases in magnesium content.

### **Manganese**

As indicated in table 28, the manganese levels in both corn and soybean test soils generally showed no change with the application of sludge except on August 13, 1986. On that date, the average manganese concentration in the 20 t/a corn plots was significantly lower than that in the control plots.

### **Nickel**

It can be seen from table 29 that the average nickel concentrations were not statistically different in any of the test plots for either corn or soybeans. Thus one may conclude that alum sludge application had no effect on nickel levels in the test plot soils.

### **Zinc**

As shown in table 30, on August 13, 1986, the average zinc concentration in the corn control plots was significantly higher than that in any of the sludge-amended plots. However, in the corn plots on June 26, 1987, and in the soybean plots on July 17, 1987, zinc in the 20 t/a soils was significantly greater than that in the control, 2.5 t/a, and 10 t/a soils. On the other 13 occasions, alum sludge amendments had no effect on zinc concentrations in the test plot soils.

### **Particle Size Distribution**

Effects of alum sludge application on particle size distribution are summarized in tables 31 through 33. It can be seen from table 31 that in the 1986 study, sludge application had no effect on the percent of sand in soils for either crop. However, on June 26, 1987, the percent of sand (12.6 percent) in the corn control plots was significantly higher than the percent in the sludge-amended plots. This was due possibly to the nonhomogeneity of the soil in the

**Table 27. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Magnesium (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	2220	2980	1880	1940	2730	2730	2090	1870	
2.5	1560	1750	9140	1660	3550	2670	1940	1900	
10	1740	1650	1630	1650	5640	5510	4880	6730	
20	1820	1820	1740	1730	3800	3460	2410	2480	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	2230	2170	2240	2320	2520	2130	1660	1820	
2.5	3320	2320	2840	2670	2060	1810	1120	1450	
10	10280	6370	2190	5810	2100	1900	1230	1470	
20	3050	3830	2920	2890	2000	1880	1340	1470	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	154	NS	NS	

**Table 28. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Manganese (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	600	600	690	550	610	730	830	900	
2.5	590	570	580	580	600	660	830	860	
10	570	530	570	600	600	700	880	840	
20	480	540	490	530	610	760	880	870	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	121	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	600	610	640	640	530	770	810	850	
2.5	650	630	620	610	810	620	790	700	
10	580	620	600	600	570	600	780	720	
20	640	610	620	640	560	600	760	660	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 29. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Nickel (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	22	24	29	27	22	17	12	15	
2.5	24	21	26	27	17	15	11	12	
10	22	21	24	26	15	17	13	14	
20	22	23	25	25	17	19	14	13	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	30	29	33	33	8	13	10	11	
2.5	30	26	30	30	11	13	10	11	
10	31	32	32	31	10	13	9	12	
20	33	30	31	31	7	13	9	11	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

**Table 30. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Zinc (mg/kg) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	38	39	43	40	42	57	39	46	
2.5	37	36	39	40	41	57	42	46	
10	40	37	39	40	43	55	43	48	
20	37	38	39	39	42	80	45	49	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	2	NS	NS	17	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	39	41	40	43	42	51	43	44	
2.5	42	37	37	39	40	52	43	43	
10	39	43	41	42	42	56	45	48	
20	45	40	39	43	40	62	46	45	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	6	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 31. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Particle Size Distribution (% Sand) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	3.7	2.7	1.3	2.0	1.4	12.6	6.4	3.9	
2.5	4.2	2.4	1.7	2.5	1.5	4.7	7.0	3.7	
10	2.3	2.5	1.9	2.5	2.2	5.8	6.2	2.9	
20	3.9	3.5	2.1	2.8	3.5	4.0	5.1	3.0	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	4.3	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	1.6	2.2	1.1	0.8	2.0	9.2	5.0	5.3	
2.5	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.4	2.6	5.3	6.2	6.0	
10	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.5	2.5	6.2	5.8	4.9	
20	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.0	4.8	5.1	5.5	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.45	NS	NS	NS	

**Table 32. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Particle Size Distribution (% Silt) in Soils**

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	67.7	70.7	68.0	66.1	69.8	62.6	70.5	67.8	
2.5	68.6	68.2	67.4	62.7	72.1	73.0	69.6	69.9	
10	69.8	70.5	68.0	65.6	79.6	67.7	69.1	68.6	
20	69.3	70.3	67.0	64.7	71.3	69.5	65.8	67.8	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	64.8	68.3	65.5	65.2	69.1	76.2	73.8	70.1	
2.5	66.9	70.2	68.2	66.5	68.7	78.0	65.4	69.5	
10	67.5	70.1	66.6	72.8	68.8	76.7	72.2	71.8	
20	67.3	66.3	67.6	64.6	72.5	78.5	71.0	69.2	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

Table 33. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Particle Size Distribution (% Clay) in Soils

<i>Corn plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	4/24	6/13	8/13	10/21	4/28	6/26	8/21	10/15	
0	28.6	26.5	30.8	31.9	28.8	24.7	23.1	28.3	
2.5	27.2	29.3	30.9	34.8	26.4	22.2	23.3	26.3	
10	27.9	27.0	30.1	31.9	18.2	26.4	24.7	28.4	
20	26.8	26.2	31.0	32.5	25.2	26.6	29.1	29.2	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	1.8	NS	NS	NS	NS	
<i>Soybean plots</i>									
Rate, t/a	1986				1987				
	5/21	7/18	8/29	10/21	4/28	7/17	9/4	10/15	
0	33.6	29.6	33.4	33.9	28.9	14.6	21.3	24.6	
2.5	31.2	27.7	30.4	32.1	28.7	16.6	28.4	24.5	
10	30.9	28.3	31.4	25.7	28.7	17.2	22.0	23.2	
20	31.2	32.2	30.8	33.5	25.4	16.7	23.8	25.3	
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	3.0	NS	

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

test plots or possibly to analytical errors. On April 28, 1987, the percentage of sand in both the soybean control plots and the 20 t/a plots was lower than that in the 2.5 t/a and 10 t/a plots.

As indicated in table 32, the percent of silt in the soil in corn and soybean plots was not affected by the addition of alum sludge. Inspection of table 33 shows that on October 21, 1986, for corn plots and on September 4, 1987, for soybean plots, the percent of clay in the 2.5 t/a plots was significantly higher than that in the control, 10 t/a, or 20 t/a plots. However, no effect on percent clay was observed as a result of alum sludge application on the 14 other occasions (table 33). One may conclude that alum sludge applications on corn and soybean plots had no effect on soil particle distributions.

### General Observations

In the case of both corn and soybeans, soil test levels were usually not affected by the alum sludge applications. There were several differences between the treated and the control plots between sampling dates, which were due to the inherent differences in the soil characteristics of the test plots. It is impossible to have perfect uniformity among areas when

working with soils. In a few very rare instances, the soil test results were changed drastically when a lump of sludge ended up in the sample. These instances were most noticeable for the calcium and magnesium levels (tables 22 and 27), although almost no statistical differences were found.

### Corn Yields and Plant Parameters

The data on corn yields and measured corn plant parameters are listed in Appendix D. The results of the statistical analyses of these data are summarized in table 34. It can be seen from this table that for the 1986 study, corn yields were found to be significantly lower in the 2.5 and 10 t/a plots than in the 0 and 20 t/a plots. The corn plant populations in the 2.5 and 10 t/a plots were less than those in the 0 and 20 t/a plots, but only the population in the 10 t/a plots was significantly lower than that in the 0 and 20 t/a plots.

The reason for the plant population difference was unclear; it was possibly related to the inherent soil characteristics. The plant populations in the plots with the highest sludge application rate were not affected by the sludge. Small differences in plant



**Table 34. Effect of Alum Sludge Application on Corn Yields and Plant Parameters**

<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Application rate, t/a</i>	<i>Corn yield, bu/a</i>	<i>Grain moisture, %</i>	<i>Test weight, lb/bu</i>	<i>Population, plants /a</i>
1986	0	221.01	15.9	54.1	25070
	2.5	210.11	16.7	54.5	24390
	10	203.65	16.7	55.0	23430
	20	222.07	16.4	55.8	25070
LSD 10%		7.21	NS	1.0	1490
1987	0	163.14	18.4		19280
	2.5	204.97	17.8		22528
	10	137.32	17.4		14953
	20	179.08	17.8		17806
LSD 10%		NS	0.58		NS

*Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference*

populations can cause significant yield differences in plots. The variability in plant populations and yield was probably caused by poor seedbed preparation and dry soil conditions, not by residual alum sludge.

In 1987, corn yields and corn plant populations were not found to be significantly different among all the test plots (table 34). Alum sludge applied in 1986 had no effect on corn yields or plant populations the following year.

A field study by Naylor et al. (1987) also showed that yields of corn grown on sludge-treated soil were not affected by application rates up to 20 t/a. Garcia et al. (1981) grew corn on strip-mined soil amended with anaerobically digested liquid sewage sludge at a rate of 25 t/a. They observed that growing corn of good quality on strip-mined soil is almost impossible. In contrast, other corn grown in soil to which sewage sludge had been added was well developed, and the corn yield was four times as great as that of corn from untreated fields.

For the 1986 study, table 34 suggests that corn test weights in plots with 2.5 and 10 t/a application rates were not significantly different from those in control plots (0 t/a), but test weights for the 20 t/a plots were significantly higher than for the control plots. The corn test weights were not measured in 1987.

Table 34 also indicates that corn grain moisture was not significantly affected by alum sludge application in 1986. However, in the 1987 study, the corn grain moisture in the control plots was found to be significantly higher than that in all sludge-treated plots.

### **Soybean Yields and Plant Parameters**

The raw data on soybean yields and soybean plant parameters are given in Appendix D. The statistical analyses are summarized in table 35. As shown in table 35, for both the 1986 and 1987 studies, soybean yields, soybean grain moisture, soybean plant height, and soybean plant populations were not significantly affected by alum sludge application. Some numerical differences were observed between the treatments, but they are not believed to have been caused by the sludge applications because similar variations were observed for the control plots.

### **Corn Grain Analysis**

In 1987, the grain samples of corn and soybeans were lost. The 1986 data from 16 grain analyses for corn and soybeans are listed in Appendix E. The

**Table 35. Effect of Alum Sludge Applications on Soybean Yields and Plant Parameters**

<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Application rate, t/a</i>	<i>Corn yield, bu/a</i>	<i>Grain moisture, %</i>	<i>Plant height, inches</i>	<i>Population, plants/a</i>
1986	0	40.27	13.1	36.0	136490
	2.5	43.06	13.3	37.1	133000
	10	40.69	13.2	36.3	128940
	20	40.10	13.4	35.3	122550
LSD 10%		NS	NS	NS	NS
1987	0	42.54	8.03	36.01	122500
	2.5	39.71	8.00	35.03	120200
	10	37.11	8.07	34.10	118800
	20	41.64	8.33	36.33	117600
LSD 10%		NS	NS	NS	NS

*Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference*

statistical analyses for grain are summarized in table 36. Inspection of table 36 shows that corn grain moisture in the 2.5 and 20 t/a plots was significantly higher than that in the 0 and 10 t/a plots. There were no significant differences in percent moisture between 0 and 10 t/a. Aluminum and cadmium levels in corn grain were not evaluated because some measurements were below the detectable limits.

The other 13 chemical parameters measured for corn grain showed no effects resulting from the alum sludge application (table 36). However, Garcia et al. (1981) reported a significant protein enhancement of 2.5 percent in the grain of corn grown in soil to which sewage sludge had been added.

### Soybean Grain Analysis

Table 36 indicates that 15 chemical parameters of soybean grain examined in 1986 were unresponsive to the alum sludge applications. Aluminum was not statistically evaluated. The data show that there were no heavy metals accumulations in the corn or soybeans from the sludge application (table 36). In fact, nickel levels in soybean grain from the treated plots were lower than the levels in grain from the control plots.

One of the major issues concerning application of water treatment plant sludge is that metals poten-

tially can cause water pollution and contamination of food crops. The results of this study suggest that the uptake of metals in corn and soybean grains did not show an increase, and that there are no adverse effects of the sludge application.

### Corn Plant Tissue

Fourteen chemical analyses were performed on the whole plant samples (root not included) for each crop. The results are listed in Appendices F and G. The statistical analyses of these data are summarized in table 37.

As shown in table 37, none of the 14 parameters examined in 1986 in corn whole plant tissue were affected by the addition of alum sludge. Almost every heavy metal level was generally reduced instead of increased.

Nitrogen and phosphorus content in corn whole plant tissue was not determined during the 1987 study. The other 12 chemical parameters measured, with the exception of cadmium, showed no effect from alum sludge application. In fact, cadmium concentrations in the control corn plots were higher than those in the sludge-amended plots in 1987. However, cadmium concentrations in the control plots were only significantly greater than those in the 2.5 and 10 t/a plots.

**Table 36. Effect of Sludge Applications on Chemical and Physical Characteristics of Corn and Soybean Grains - 1986 Study**

<i>Sludge rate, t/a</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>K %</i>	<i>Ca</i>	<i>Mg</i>	<i>Mn</i>	<i>Zn</i>	<i>Fe</i>	<i>Cu</i>	<i>Al mg/kg</i>	<i>Cd</i>	<i>Cr</i>	<i>Pb</i>	<i>Ni</i>	<i>Crude protein, %</i>	<i>Mois- ture, %</i>
<i>Corn grain</i>																
0	1.46	0.12	0.23	0.010	0.071	6.7	21	13	1.0	<10	0.10	0.27	0.33	0.17	9.12	10.95
2.5	1.45	0.11	0.23	0.011	0.074	7.3	22	13	1.3	<10	0.13	0.27	0.27	0.27	9.07	12.22
10	1.48	0.12	0.20	0.007	0.071	7.3	17	13	1.0	<10	>.1	0.20	0.33	0.13	9.23	11.05
20	1.43	0.11	0.22	0.009	0.073	7.7	15	14	1.3	<10	>.1	1.17	0.43	0.27	8.93	12.07
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS			NS	NS	NS	NS	0.79
<i>Soybean grain</i>																
0	6.31	0.64	1.42	0.206	0.173	22	64	60	13	<10	0.23	0.27	1.4	8.3	39.28	8.62
2.5	6.29	0.65	1.43	0.202	0.181	22	64	62	12	<10	0.20	0.30	1.5	5.5	39.31	8.51
10	6.07	0.64	1.43	0.198	0.179	23	56	56	13	<10	0.23	0.30	1.4	6.1	37.94	7.88
20	6.20	0.63	1.41	0.201	0.183	23	51	57	12	<10	0.20	0.27	1.4	5.6	38.75	8.25
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS		NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

*Note: LSD = least significant difference  
NS = no significant difference*

**Table 37. Effect of Sludge Applications on Chemical Characteristics of Whole Plants**

<i>Sludge rate, t/a</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>K %</i>	<i>Ca</i>	<i>Mg</i>	<i>Mn</i>	<i>Zn</i>	<i>Fe</i>	<i>Cu</i>	<i>Al mg/kg</i>	<i>Cd</i>	<i>Cr</i>	<i>Pb</i>	<i>Ni</i>
<i>Corn -1986</i>														
0	0.79	0.07	0.683	0.372	0.224	82	73	673	5.0	164	0.23	1.1	7.4	1.2
2.5	0.75	0.06	0.657	0.376	0.226	79	59	590	4.7	189	0.23	1.0	3.9	1.1
10	0.76	0.06	0.537	0.385	0.226	78	49	550	5.0	158	0.23	0.9	3.8	1.0
20	0.73	0.06	0.530	0.359	0.214	62	54	587	5.3	138	0.27	0.9	3.6	1.0
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
<i>Corn -1987</i>														
0			0.43	0.374	0.285	35	7.9	267	4.2	177	0.10	0.49	1.3	1.3
2.5			0.33	0.381	0.287	25	7.8	244	3.8	171	0.05	0.43	1.4	1.2
10			0.40	0.428	0.331	31	8.0	298	4.5	237	0.05	0.60	1.5	1.6
20			0.36	0.393	0.318	29	6.3	351	4.5	241	0.07	0.51	1.7	1.5
LSD 10 %			NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.03	NS	NS	NS
<i>Soybeans - 1986</i>														
0	1.25	0.13	0.35	0.951	0.315	50	27	443	7.3	184	0.40	0.77	2.1	1.8
2.5	1.26	0.11	0.36	0.942	0.301	41	23	397	6.0	179	0.37	0.77	2.1	1.9
10	1.24	0.13	0.38	0.903	0.302	47	18	430	6.7	242	0.33	0.83	2.0	2.2
20	1.25	0.12	0.37	0.825	0.268	38	35	423	6.7	189	0.33	0.93	2.0	1.5
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	0.050	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
<i>Soybeans - 1987</i>														
0			0.75	0.984	0.538	16	8.8	67	7.3	32	0.40	0.14	2.1	2.0
2.5			0.71	1.048	0.563	16	9.3	79	8.0	45	0.40	0.14	2.0	1.9
10			0.75	1.062	0.567	16	10.2	101	8.0	56	0.35	0.15	2.3	1.9
20			0.77	1.095	0.518	14	8.1	88	6.8	48	0.39	0.25	2.0	1.8
LSD 10 %			NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

A field study by Kelling et al. (1977) showed that sewage sludge application to soil generally increased concentrations of Cu, Zn, Cd, and Ni in the vegetative corn tissue, but, except for Zn, incremental additions of sewage sludge had relatively little effect on the metal content of the corn grain. Garcia et al. (1979) found that concentrations of seven heavy metals (Zn, Mn, Ca, Pb, Cr, Cd, and Hg) increased in corn grain, cobs, and husks in that order.

## **Soybean Plant Tissue**

As with the corn plant tissue analyses, the soybean tissue analyses for the two-year study generally showed no effects from the addition of alum sludge except for one difference in calcium concentrations in 1986 (table 37). Average calcium concentrations in soybean plant tissues at the 20 t/a rate were significantly lower than those for the 0, 2.5, and 10 t/a plots. Inspection of table 37 shows that heavy metals did not accumulate in the soybean plant tissues after the addition of alum sludge.

## **Corn and Soybean Leaf Tissue**

The results from chemical analyses of corn and soybean leaf tissue are given in Appendices H and I. The statistical analyses are summarized in table 38. Nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations were determined only for 1986 corn leaf tissues. As shown in table 38, 13 parameters determined for corn leaf tissues showed no differences with or without alum sludge addition. However, for the 1986 study, average cadmium in the corn leaves in the 20 t/a plots was significantly higher than in the 0, 2.5, and 10 t/a plots. No statistical difference in cadmium content in corn leaves was observed during the 1987 study.

Only eleven chemical analyses were performed for soybean leaf tissues in 1986, and 12 analyses were carried out in 1987. Chromium was the only parameter that showed an effect from the alum sludge applications (table 38). In 1986, the average chromium concentration in the soybean leaves from the 20 t/a plots was significantly less than in those from the 0, 2.5, and 10 t/a plots.

In contrast, in the 1987 study, the chromium concentration in the soybean leaves from the 20 t/a plots was significantly greater than that in leaves from the other plots. Iron levels in soybean leaves in sludge-amended plots generally increased from the levels in the control plots, although the differences were not statistically significant (table 38).

The suggested critical nutrient levels for Illinois are presented in table 39 (University of Illinois, 1987). Lower concentrations may indicate a nutrient deficiency. A comparison of tables 38 and 39 shows that nitrogen and potassium levels in the corn plots were lower than the recommended critical nutrient levels. However, this was probably not caused by alum sludge application. There were no nutrient deficiencies observed in the soybean leaf tissues. Calcium, magnesium, manganese, zinc, iron, and copper in leaves were found to be higher than the recommended levels.

A comparison of heavy metals in corn grain, whole plants, and leaves (tables 36 through 38) shows that the highest metal levels occurred in the corn plant and leaves and the lowest in the grain. Similarly, Garcia et al. (1981) studied translocation of heavy metals (Zn, Mn, Cu, Pb, Cr, Cd, and Hg) in corn plants grown on strip-mined soil amended with anaerobically digested sewage sludge. Their analysis of differential metal accumulation rates in seven tissues showed that the highest metal levels generally were observed in the corn leaves and roots and the lowest in the grain and cob.

**Table 38. Effect of Sludge Applications on Chemical Characteristics of Leaves**

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Sludge rate, t/a	N	P	K %	Ca	Mg	Mn	Zn	Fe	Cu	Al mg/kg	Cd	Cr	Pb	Ni
<i>Corn -1986</i>														
0	2.75	0.35	1.70	0.630	0.328	117	43	223	11	31	0.33	0.53	1.6	1.1
2.5	2.50	0.33	1.63	0.623	0.296	116	61	207	11	32	0.33	0.53	1.8	1.1
10	2.66	0.35	1.79	0.682	0.309	127	42	263	12	35	0.30	0.50	2.0	1.0
20	2.67	0.33	1.76	0.624	0.309	102	36	223	11	29	0.40	0.53	2.0	1.1
LSD 10%	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.05	NS	NS	NS
<i>Corn -1987</i>														
0			1.10	0.762	0.445	73	23	107	10	21	0.14	0.23	1.7	1.6
2.5			1.23	0.763	0.397	53	23	98	8	21	0.12	0.19	1.5	1.6
10			1.02	0.875	0.510	64	20	100	11	23	0.16	0.21	2.0	1.8
20			1.03	0.894	0.489	64	18	106	11	22	0.20	0.16	2.0	1.7
LSD 10 %			NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
<i>Soybeans - 1986</i>														
0			2.31	0.905	0.370		68	190	10	23	0.47	0.77	2.3	9.6
2.5			2.39	0.917	0.331		28	273	10	17	0.43	0.77	2.5	6.6
10			2.31	0.879	0.332		36	223	11	20	0.47	0.77	2.3	8.8
20			2.17	0.789	0.315		29	250	10	18	0.40	0.57	2.8	7.4
LSD 10%			NS	NS	NS		NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.14	NS	NS
<i>Soybeans - 1987</i>														
0			1.60	1.410	0.441	44	40	85	11	13	0.28	0.39	2.5	4.6
2.5			1.56	1.459	0.470	50	40	93	11	17	0.29	0.37	2.8	6.7
10			1.56	1.638	0.475	42	40	83	11	16	0.30	0.36	2.7	6.9
20			1.63	1.385	0.414	42	36	100	11	17	0.27	0.54	2.9	6.8
LSD 10 %			NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.07	NS	NS

Note: LSD = least significant difference; NS = no significant difference

**Table 39. Suggested Critical Plant Nutrient Levels**

	<i>N</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>K</i>	<i>Ca</i> %	<i>Mg</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Mn</i>	<i>Zn</i>	<i>Fe</i> mg/kg	<i>Cu</i>	<i>B</i>
Corn*	2.9	0.25	1.90	0.40	0.15	0.15	15	15	25	5	10
Soybeans†		0.25	2.00	0.40	0.25	0.15	20	15	30	5	25

\* *Leaf opposite and below the ear at tasseling*

† *Fully developed leaf and petiole at early podding*

## SUMMARY

A two-year study was conducted to assess the risks and benefits of applying air-dried alum sludge from Peoria's water treatment plant to farmland used for growing corn and soybeans. Determinations were made of the effects of sludge application on soil nutrients and physical characteristics, corn and soybean yields and plant parameters, and the uptake and accumulation of heavy metals and other nutrients in plant tissues and grains.

Alum sludge was applied by hand at rates of 0, 2.5, 10, and 20 tons per acre (t/a) to 15-foot by 30-foot test plots prior to the planting in 1986. No alum sludge was applied to the plots in 1987. Each treatment (application rate) was replicated three times. In 1986, treatments were applied in a completely randomized design for soybeans and in a randomized block design for corn. In 1987, corn and soybeans were reversed between the two groups of plots.

The major plant nutrients and micronutrients in alum sludge from Peoria's water treatment plant were generally greater than those in the test plot soil and lower than those in sewage sludge from Peoria. The effects of alum sludge application on soil properties were evaluated. Soil properties examined were TS, organic matter, percent moisture, bulk density, pH, acidity, CEC, major forms of nitrogen, Bray P-1, total phosphorus, K, Al, B, Cd, Ca, Cr, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mg, Mn, Ni, Zn, and particle size distribution.

The soil test data showed that soils in both corn and soybean plots were generally not significantly

affected by the alum sludge applications. Occasional differences occurred among sludge-treated and untreated soils. However, they were never consistent for a series of eight collections for each treatment.

For the 1986 study, corn yields in the plots treated with alum sludge at the rates of 2.5 and 10 t/a were significantly lower than those in the plots treated with 0 and 20 t/a. Corn yields appeared to be related to plant populations. However, the corn yields and the plant populations in the highest-rate (20 t/a) plots were not affected by the alum sludge addition.

In 1987, corn yields in the 2.5 t/a plots were significantly less than in the 10 t/a plots; overall, corn yields in the sludge-treated plots were not statistically different from those in the non-treated plots. The corn yields and plant populations were apparently not affected by the sludge applications made in 1986. For both years, other corn parameters, soybean yields, and soybean plant parameters were not impacted by alum sludge applications.

Alum sludge does not contain enough nutrient value to provide a fertilizer effect. Nutrients and heavy metals (N, P, K, Ca, Mg, Mn, Zn, Fe, Cu, Al, Cd, Cr, Pb, Ni, crude protein, and moisture content) in grains, whole plants, and leaves were generally not significantly changed by the sludge applications. None of the nutrient levels were increased significantly by the nutrients in the sludge. The heavy metals levels were higher in the whole plants and leaves and lower in the grains.

## CONCLUSIONS

In this study the application of air-dried alum sludge on corn and soybean fields did not have any beneficial or adverse effects on corn or soybeans and did not alter the soil characteristics. It appears that there are no detrimental effects from the application of water treatment plant alum sludge at rates of up to 20 t/a to agricultural tracts in Illinois used for raising corn and soybeans.

The variability in corn yields might have been caused by poor seedbed preparation and dry soil conditions. Alum sludge has no fertilizer value and does not increase heavy metal accumulation in crops or heavy metal uptake in plant tissues.

On the basis of the two-year study, the following suggestions and recommendations are offered: Land application of alum sludge appears to be a viable method with no apparent environmental degrada-

tion. Applying raw liquid alum sludge seems impractical for most water treatment plants. Dewatering of alum sludge (through methods such as lagooning) is needed to reduce the cost of transportation. However, lagoons require land. Pulverization of sludge before application would be desirable.

The only no-cost disposal method is to discharge alum sludge directly into receiving waters. In Illinois, direct discharge requires a permit. Currently, treatment of alum sludge is required prior to final disposal.

The results of this study indicate that air-dried alum sludge can be applied to farmland without detrimental effects. Therefore suitable land disposal may be a feasible alternative. Alum sludge contains few nutrients and most likely will not cause contamination of surface and ground waters.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Long-term laboratory and greenhouse studies on alum sludge application on soil are needed before additional field studies are carried out.

- Greenhouse studies are needed to determine the best method and time of alum sludge application, to study the use of more than one water treatment plant as a source of alum sludge, and to study the land application of alum sludge for growing vegetables, wheat, rye, oats, and other crops.

- Additional information is needed on the maximum alum sludge application rate feasible for many plants and root crops. In this study, the highest rate (20 t/a) generally showed no effect on corn and soybeans.

- Air-dried alum sludge needs to be ground to powder form to eliminate clumps when the sludge is applied to the soil. It can also be applied in a suspended liquid form.

- The benefits and risks of the use of combined alum sludge and wastewater sludge should be evaluated.

- The possibility of using an irrigation system to apply alum sludge should be investigated.

- The rate at which the heavy metals move through the ground should be determined.

- Scientific data are needed on land application of lime sludge, which has been practiced on Illinois farms for many years.



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Appendix A-1. Daily Precipitation Records at Monmouth, Illinois - 1986

<u>Date</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
1		tr		.01	.52		.01			.31		
2							.70			.04	.17	.54
3	.09	tr		.17						2.18	.01	.13
4		.60	.02	.01		.03			.15	.25		
5	tr	.23		.05		.34		tr		.01	tr	
6		.05	.13		.10	.20		.66				
7		.32	tr		.27	.25	.02	.04	.12			.57
8					.02		.06	.87			.01	.29
9							1.52			tr		.11
10			.08			.10	.19			.01		tr
11			.23		.02		.10		.70		.05	
12		tr	.02			.04	1.41		.23	.94	tr	
13			.08	.08	tr		.01	tr	tr	tr	tr	
14		.06	tr	.38	.09		.30	.31	.01	.17		
15			tr	tr	.05	.35		.01				
16				tr	.11	tr		.01				
17		.42			1.62				.02			tr
18		tr	.12		1.04			.38	.28		tr	
19			.25	tr					.65		tr	
20		tr							.73		.41	
21		tr		tr					.03		tr	
22						.05						
23		.04				.21			1.22	.01	.10	
24		.30				.02			.65	tr		
25	tr						.27		1.84	.49		
26		tr	.07	.04	.55			1.05		1.10	.03	
27		.19			.27					.10		
28	tr	tr		.13	tr	.16			.08			
29	tr			tr	.01	.01	.27		.24			
30			.03	.19	.02	1.13			2.16		tr	.01
31	tr						1.49					
Total	.09	2.21	1.03	1.06	4.69	2.89	6.35	3.33	9.11	5.61	.78	1.65
Cum. total	.09	2.30	3.33	4.39	9.08	11.97	18.32	21.65	30.76	36.37	37.15	38.80

Appendix A-2. Daily Precipitation Records at Monmouth, Illinois - 1987

<u>Date</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
1	tr		.66			.40	.06	.57			.94	.01
2	.09		tr	.01		.05					.18	tr
3					.05	tr					.01	
4					tr			.90				
5							.05					
6		.04								tr		
7									.36	tr		.31
8							tr	.15	.08		tr	.09
9								.22			.10	.06
10	.30									tr		
11				tr					.04	.01		.04
12			tr	tr		.20	.01		.06			
13				.29			.03	.46				
14				.75			.02	1.01				
15			.16	.03			.67	1.11	.23	tr		.99
16			.22	tr					.23		.18	.03
17								1.01	1.09	.07	.56	
18	.08		.12		tr				.03		.01	
19	.15		.36						tr	.01	tr	.12
20					.23	.79				.21		
21					.05	.39		.09	.12	tr		
22	tr			.18								
23			.01	.21				tr			.08	
24			tr	tr						.22		
25			.06		.03	.20	tr	.41			.36	.05
26			tr		.22	.06		1.27			tr	
27	.03	.02	tr	.03				.04		tr	tr	
28		tr			tr			.02		tr	.55	.80
29	tr		.87			tr			1.33		.36	.05
30	tr		tr		tr	.01	.03				.07	
31	tr				.78							
Total	.65	.06	3.00	1.50	1.36	2.10	.87	7.26	3.57	.52	3.40	3.78
Cum.												
total	.65	.71	3.71	5.21	6.57	8.67	9.54	16.80	20.37	20.89	24.29	28.07

Appendix B. Summary of Weather Data at Monmouth, Illinois

<u>Month</u>	<u>Air temperature</u>		<u>Relative humidity</u>		<u>Average soil temperature</u>				<u>Precipitation</u>		
	<u>Degrees, F.</u>		<u>(%)</u>		<u>Degrees. F.</u>				<u>(Inches)</u>		
<u>(max.)</u>	<u>(min.)</u>	<u>(max.)</u>	<u>(min.)</u>	<u>Sod</u>	<u>Bare soil</u>	<u>(max.)</u>	<u>(min.)</u>	<u>(max.)</u>	<u>(min.)</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>1986</b>											
Jan.	34	16	91	57	28	26	29	24	0.09	0.09	
Feb.	31	15	94	68	30	29	31	30	2.21	2.30	
Mar.	50	31	93	52	36	33	41	35	1.03	3.33	
Apr.	67	41	93	39	54	48	63	49	1.06	4.39	
May	73	52	95	50	65	58	72	59	4.69	9.08	
June	82	61	99	53	77	68	86	90	2.89	11.97	
July	85	69	100	61	82	74	90	75	6.35	18.32	
Aug.	79	57	100	52	75	68	81	66	3.33	21.65	
Sep.	78	58	100	55	70	65	74	63	9.11	30.76	
Oct.	63	44	100	60	59	55	61	51	5.61	36.37	
Nov.	43	26	98	59	42	39	41	36	0.78	37.15	
Dec.	37	24	97	64	34	33	32	31	1.65	38.80	
<b>1987</b>											
Jan.	31	17	96	65	33	32	31	31	0.65	0.65	
Feb.	44	26	97	50	34	32	35	32	0.06	0.71	
Mar.	52	32	93	48	43	39	46	38	3.00	3.71	
Apr.	65	40	88	38	53	47	60	47	1.50	5.21	
May	80	54	89	38	68	60	79	63	1.36	6.57	
June	85	62	99	47	80	70	87	71	2.10	8.67	
July	89	66	100	51	85	75	93	77	0.87	9.54	
Aug.	84	63	100	55	80	72	84	71	7.26	16.80	
Sep.	77	53	100	48	69	63	75	61	3.57	20.37	
Oct.	59	34	97	49	53	47	57	44	0.52	20.89	
Nov.	52	35	98	69	46	42	47	40	3.40	24.29	
Dec.	36	24	94	70	35	34	35	33	3.78	28.07	

Appendix C1. Percent Total Solids in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	80.5	83.5	79.0	5/21	0	78.2	80.9	79.1
	2.5	81.1	79.7	80.7		2.5	78.5	79.0	82.2
	10	79.9	81.3	80.6		10	80.0	79.6	80.7
	20	78.0	80.6	80.4		20	79.8	80.4	80.0
6/13	0	80.5	80.4	78.8	7/18	0	79.1	82.6	82.9
	2.5	79.5	79.8	80.4		2.5	79.6	81.2	82.1
	10	79.7	81.4	80.2		10	81.6	82.1	81.7
	20	78.3	81.0	78.6		20	81.8	82.8	81.9
8/13	0	78.0	78.8	76.9	8/29	0	79.2	81.3	79.4
	2.5	78.3	77.9	77.6		2.5	79.4	79.4	80.8
	10	78.7	78.3	76.8		10	81.3	80.4	83.4
	20	75.6	78.4	76.9		20	80.7	81.5	81.5
10/21	0	76.8	77.9	76.4	10/21	0	78.0	81.4	79.0
	2.5	76.6	77.0	77.1		2.5	78.2	79.2	79.9
	10	76.8	76.8	77.4		10	80.6	80.2	81.2
	20	74.4	77.0	76.7		20	80.3	81.3	80.8
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	78.2	81.9	79.1	4/28	0	78.7	79.6	78.3
	2.5	78.1	79.8	80.8		2.5	78.8	78.2	79.2
	10	80.0	80.1	81.9		10	78.4	78.7	78.7
	20	80.1	81.1	81.4		20	77.0	79.2	78.3
6/26	0	82.7	82.7	82.2	7/17	0	84.0	85.4	82.0
	2.5	83.8	82.4	83.1		2.5	84.4	83.1	83.0
	10	82.5	81.8	84.7		10	82.8	83.9	83.1
	20	82.4	83.0	85.1		20	82.2	83.5	81.9
8/21	0	78.2	81.7	79.9	9/04	0	80.3	81.6	79.1
	2.5	79.2	79.6	82.4		2.5	80.9	81.4	81.2
	10	81.0	80.2	83.4		10	80.8	82.1	81.3
	20	80.6	81.3	82.4		20	77.5	80.1	80.3
10/15	0	79.3	83.4	81.1	10/15	0	81.3	81.3	79.5
	2.5	79.5	81.6	83.8		2.5	80.7	81.0	80.6
	10	82.8	81.4	84.4		10	80.5	81.8	81.1
	20	82.1	83.0	83.2		20	79.7	80.7	79.4

Note: The crops were rotated between the two groups of test plots for the second year.

Appendix C2. Percent Organic Matter in Soils

Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
<b>4/24</b>	0	6.9	5.6	6.7	<b>5/21</b>	0	6.5	5.9	5.0
	2.5	7.0	6.7	6.6		2.5	5.9	5.8	4.2
	10	6.6	6.6	6.5		10	4.1	3.8	3.2
	20	7.8	6.4	6.4		20	4.1	3.5	4.3
6/13	0	6.4	5.6	6.6	7/18	0	7.1	3.4	5.2
	2.5	6.1	6.8	7.0		2.5	7.1	6.2	5.5
	10	6.5	6.3	6.6		10	3.8	4.9	4.0
	20	10.8	6.7	6.6		20	4.0	3.7	3.4
8/13	0	6.6	5.4	6.8	8/29	0	6.8	3.6	5.3
	2.5	6.7	6.5	7.5		2.5	6.7	5.8	4.8
	10	6.5	6.9	7.1		10	4.3	4.7	3.6
	20	7.9	6.5	6.8		20	4.4	3.9	4.2
10/2	10	7.1	5.8	7.1	10/21	0	6.8	3.7	5.7
	2.5	6.8	6.7	6.9		2.5	6.6	5.9	5.0
	10	6.9	6.5	6.5		10	4.2	4.9	3.8
	20	8.4	6.4	6.6		20	4.4	4.2	4.5
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
<b>4/28</b>	0	5.9	3.3	5.2	<b>4/28</b>	0	7.0	5.6	6.6
	2.5	6.0	5.5	4.5		2.5	7.0	6.5	7.1
	10	3.5	4.5	3.5		10	7.0	6.5	6.4
	20	4.0	4.0	4.1		20	8.0	6.6	6.3
6/26	0	6.3	3.5	5.5	7/17	0	7.2	6.1	7.3
	2.5	6.3	5.4	5.8		2.5	7.1	6.9	7.3
	10	4.1	4.6	4.2		10	7.3	6.7	6.8
	20	4.1	4.0	4.4		20	8.4	6.9	6.3
8/21	0	6.5	3.4	5.4	9/04	0	6.8	5.6	7.0
	2.5	6.2	5.6	4.9		2.5	6.8	6.5	6.8
	10	3.9	7.6	3.5		10	7.1	6.6	6.5
	20	3.8	3.8	4.0		20	8.3	7.0	6.7
10/15	0	6.8	3.7	5.4	10/15	0	6.8	5.7	6.6
	2.5	6.7	5.8	5.1		2.5	7.3	6.5	6.7
	10	4.3	4.7	3.5		10	6.7	6.4	6.2
	20	4.3	4.1	4.4		20	8.0	6.4	6.3

Appendix C3. Percent Moisture in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	19.5	16.5	21.0	5/21	0	21.8	19.1	20.9
	2.5	18.9	20.3	19.3		2.5	21.5	21.0	17.8
	10	20.1	18.7	19.4		10	20.0	20.4	19.3
	20	22.0	19.4	19.6		20	20.2	19.6	20.0
6/13	0	19.5	19.6	21.2	7/18	0	20.9	17.4	17.1
	2.5	20.5	20.2	19.6		2.5	20.4	18.8	17.9
	10	20.3	18.6	19.8		10	18.4	17.9	18.3
	20	21.7	19.0	21.4		20	18.2	17.2	18.1
8/13	0	22.0	21.2	23.1	8/29	0	20.8	18.7	20.6
	2.5	21.7	22.1	22.4		2.5	20.6	20.6	19.2
	10	21.3	21.7	23.2		10	18.7	19.6	16.6
	20	24.4	21.6	23.1		20	19.3	18.5	18.5
10/21	0	23.2	22.1	23.6	10/2	10	22.0	18.6	21.0
	2.5	23.4	23.0	22.9		2.5	21.8	20.8	20.1
	10	23.2	23.2	22.6		10	19.4	19.8	18.8
	20	25.6	23.0	23.3		20	19.7	18.7	19.2
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	21.8	18.1	20.9	4/28	0	21.3	20.4	21.7
	2.5	21.9	20.2	19.2		2.5	21.2	21.8	20.8
	10	20.0	19.9	18.1		10	21.6	21.3	21.3
	20	19.9	18.9	18.6		20	23.0	20.8	21.7
6/26	0	17.3	17.3	17.8	7/17	0	16.0	14.6	18.0
	2.5	16.2	17.6	16.9		2.5	15.6	16.9	17.0
	10	17.5	18.2	15.3		10	17.2	16.1	16.9
	20	17.5	17.0	14.9		20	17.8	16.5	18.1
8/21	0	21.8	18.3	20.1	9/04	0	19.7	18.4	20.9
	2.5	20.8	20.4	17.6		2.5	19.1	18.6	18.8
	10	19.0	19.8	16.6		10	19.2	17.9	18.7
	20	19.4	18.7	17.6		20	22.5	19.9	19.7
10/15	0	20.7	16.6	18.9	10/15	0	18.7	18.7	20.5
	2.5	20.5	18.4	16.2		2.5	19.3	19.0	19.4
	10	17.2	18.6	15.6		10	19.5	18.2	18.9
	20	17.9	17.0	16.8		20	20.3	19.3	20.6

Appendix C4. Specific Gravity (g/cm<sup>3</sup>) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	2.08	2.07	2.04	5/21	0	1.46	2.10	1.87
	2.5	2.01	1.99	2.09		2.5	1.76	2.03	1.88
	10	2.10	2.03	2.04		10	2.17	1.78	1.81
	20	2.00	2.12	2.04		20	2.14	2.03	1.68
6/13	0	1.56	1.35	1.66	7/18	0	1.37	1.69	1.43
	2.5	1.59	1.68	1.65		2.5	1.55	1.28	1.31
	10	1.42	1.64	1.96		10	1.67	1.76	1.81
	20	1.63	1.72	1.72		20	1.90	1.46	1.70
8/13	0	1.34	1.32	1.37	8/29	0	1.51	1.42	1.36
	2.5	1.21	1.04	1.45		2.5	1.47	1.52	1.26
	10	1.30	1.22	1.38		10	1.49	1.48	1.49
	20	1.28	1.09	1.42		20	1.45	1.42	1.44
10/21	0	1.12	1.24	1.30	10/21	0	1.32	1.50	1.28
	2.5	1.14	1.34	1.28		2.5	1.54	1.31	1.39
	10	1.24	1.39	1.33		10	1.56	1.42	1.47
	20	1.15	1.19	1.15		20	1.44	1.47	1.41
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	1.36	1.59	1.26	4/28	0	1.44	1.64	1.37
	2.5	1.38	1.38	1.47		2.5	1.40	1.42	1.43
	10	1.45	1.54	1.53		10	1.34	1.46	1.43
	20	1.66	1.43	1.40		20	1.25	1.28	1.40
6/26	0	1.44	1.69	1.43	7/17	0	1.42	1.29	1.21
	2.5	1.17	1.46	1.04		2.5	1.20	1.14	1.27
	10	1.70	1.27	1.45		10	1.39	1.20	1.30
	20	1.58	1.58	1.34		20	1.43	1.39	1.34
8/21	0	1.28	1.55	1.46	9/04	0	1.20	1.29	1.26
	2.5	1.25	1.32	1.06		2.5	1.21	1.45	1.35
	10	1.53	1.38	1.49		10	1.41	1.24	1.35
	20	1.64	1.51	1.53		20	1.26	1.23	1.37
10/15	0	1.40	1.73	1.32	10/15	0	1.13	1.36	1.29
	2.5	1.43	1.17	1.41		2.5	1.12	1.39	1.41
	10	1.55	1.45	1.19		10	1.42	1.24	1.35
	20	1.55	1.55	1.23		20	1.25	1.15	1.36



Appendix C5. pH in Soils

Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	5.05	5.07	7.23	5/21	0	5.30	5.92	4.86
	2.5	5.31	5.13	5.91		2.5	5.64	5.43	7.20
	10	5.37	5.36	5.72		10	5.82	5.47	7.50
	20	5.26	5.52	6.56		20	5.87	6.10	7.05
6/13	0	5.21	4.93	7.12	7/18	0	5.35	5.88	5.32
	2.5	5.26	4.98	5.75		2.5	5.67	5.40	6.74
	10	5.03	4.92	6.09		10	5.81	5.72	7.54
	20	5.62	5.23	6.15		20	5.89	5.99	7.16
8/13	0	5.17	4.92	6.42	8/29	0	5.26	5.96	5.26
	2.5	5.03	5.11	5.72		2.5	5.75	5.53	7.50
	10	5.63	5.18	5.93		10	6.25	5.76	7.75
	20	5.54	5.35	6.39		20	6.63	6.50	7.48
10/21	0	5.20	5.01	6.75	10/21	0	5.52	5.94	5.28
	2.5	5.22	5.13	5.78		2.5	5.85	5.62	7.36
	10	5.37	5.30	6.14		10	6.15	5.77	7.60
	20	5.73	5.67	6.74		20	6.12	6.36	7.39
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	5.63	6.16	5.30	4/28	0	5.05	5.02	6.52
	2.5	5.51	5.61	7.25		2.5	5.12	5.17	5.81
	10	6.51	5.83	7.45		10	5.22	5.41	6.02
	20	6.18	7.40	6.75		20	5.68	6.00	6.41
6/26	0	5.03	5.74	4.96	7/17	0	5.09	4.97	6.87
	2.5	5.02	5.17	6.55		2.5	5.06	5.06	5.73
	10	5.77	5.27	7.30		10	5.40	5.06	6.13
	20	5.95	6.15	6.60		20	5.53	5.82	6.59
8/21	0	5.31	6.17	5.08	9/04	0	5.20	5.03	7.23
	2.5	5.68	6.42	7.40		2.5	5.15	5.38	5.84
	10	6.03	6.18	7.63		10	5.55	5.33	6.32
	20	6.52	6.91	7.54		20	5.15	6.03	6.55
10/15	0	5.30	6.18	5.15	10/15	0	5.00	4.91	7.08
	2.5	5.41	5.14	7.18		2.5	4.95	4.99	6.02
	10	6.34	5.64	7.60		10	5.33	5.12	6.70
	20	6.45	6.61	7.30		20	5.15	5.58	6.55

Appendix C6. Acidity (meq/100 g) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	0.32	0.42	0.03	5/21	0	0.18	0.12	0.64
	2.5	0.34	0.35	0.13		2.5	0.13	0.19	0.07
	10	0.25	0.33	0.18		10	0.16	0.32	0.03
	20	0.20	0.26	0.12		20	0.22	0.23	0.06
6/13	0	0.24	0.71	0.04	7/18	0	0.22	0.18	0.47
	2.5	0.28	0.42	0.13		2.5	0.16	0.22	0.13
	10	0.23	0.46	0.09		10	0.19	0.18	0.05
	20	0.35	0.40	0.16		20	0.14	0.17	0.09
8/13	0	0.27	0.74	0.05	8/29	0	0.28	0.15	0.64
	2.5	0.36	0.35	0.10		2.5	0.10	0.25	0.09
	10	0.31	0.41	0.11		10	0.16	0.19	0.08
	20	0.12	0.28	0.15		20	0.26	0.07	0.08
10/21	0	0.33	0.76	0.07	10/21	0	0.23	0.11	0.74
	2.5	0.40	0.48	0.10		2.5	0.09	0.16	0.06
	10	0.24	0.35	0.05		10	0.07	0.23	0.04
	20	0.16	0.25	0.08		20	0.14	0.11	0.04
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	0.07	0.02	0.29	4/28	0	0.25	0.38	0.04
	2.5	0.02	0.06	0.04		2.5	0.22	0.17	0.04
	10	0.02	0.03	0.02		10	0.14	0.11	0.04
	20	0.02	0.02	0.04		20	0.10	0.06	0.04
6/26	0	0.16	0.04	0.27	7/17	0	0.42	0.31	0.06
	2.5	0.13	0.10	0.01		2.5	0.01	0.23	0.06
	10	0.04	0.14	0.05		10	0.06	0.27	0.04
	20	0.01	0.05	0.01		20	0.09	0.11	0.07
8/21	0	0.08	0.12	0.40	9/04	0	0.13	0.33	0.02
	2.5	0.01	0.22	0.07		2.5	0.30	0.18	0.10
	10	0.09	0.05	0.05		10	0.02	0.13	0.06
	20	0.01	0.06	0.05		20	0.10	0.13	0.05
10/15	0	0.17	0.03	0.27	10/15	0	0.26	0.39	0.07
	2.5	0.13	0.16	0.04		2.5	0.02	0.27	0.07
	10	0.05	0.10	0.04		10	0.34	0.18	0.09
	20	0.08	0.07	0.04		20	0.05	0.07	0.05

Appendix C7. Cation Exchange Capacity (meq/100 g) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	13.8	12.8	16.7	5/21	0	16.6	14.7	14.4
	2.5	14.3	13.2	15.7		2.5	16.7	15.0	14.7
	10	14.9	11.9	13.1		10	15.1	15.0	12.2
	20	14.1	11.3	14.4		20	16.4	14.5	14.3
6/13	0	19.5	19.0	22.2	7/18	0	20.1	18.1	18.6
	2.5	18.4	20.0	21.8		2.5	21.7	18.9	19.4
	10	19.9	19.2	20.2		10	17.4	19.1	16.7
	20	23.9	18.8	22.2		20	19.3	18.1	17.2
8/13	0	18.2	17.2	20.8	8/29	0	19.8	17.7	18.4
	2.5	18.9	20.6	21.6		2.5	19.9	17.8	17.7
	10	14.7	17.0	18.2		10	18.9	19.5	15.0
	20	20.8	17.8	20.6		20	18.8	17.4	16.6
10/21	0	16.4	17.0	21.7	10/21	0	18.2	16.3	17.4
	2.5	16.9	15.8	20.3		2.5	18.3	17.2	17.6
	10	16.7	15.7	18.8		10	17.2	16.6	14.3
	20	20.7	16.8	19.7		20	18.3	16.6	16.4
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	19.1	16.8	19.0	4/28	0	17.0	17.3	17.4
	2.5	19.2	18.7	17.1		2.5	18.0	17.6	20.6
	10	18.1	18.2	14.6		10	18.0	18.2	19.7
	20	19.4	16.3	16.9		20	21.3	18.6	19.8
6/26	0	18.0	15.0	19.7	7/17	0	20.9	20.5	28.0
	2.5	21.6	17.4	15.7		2.5	17.2	23.1	24.7
	10	22.6	20.7	16.2		10	20.5	21.0	18.9
	20	16.9	24.5	20.4		20	25.5	21.4	25.5
8/21	0	23.8	15.6	29.0	9/04	0	29.9	24.0	21.1
	2.5	22.5	16.4	22.0		2.5	16.4	20.7	20.5
	10	17.9	25.7	24.3		10	20.5	16.2	28.1
	20	23.3	24.9	23.3		20	21.8	18.5	23.1
10/15	0	24.3	27.2	20.2	10/15	0	18.1	28.1	23.1
	2.5	26.8	27.5	27.3		2.5	19.2	14.9	34.0
	10	30.1	27.2	13.1		10	15.2	16.5	32.2
	20	38.7	24.8	25.9		20	27.3	21.1	36.3

Appendix C8. Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	237	193	133	5/2	10	154	47	119
	2.5	259	185	340		2.5	135	137	93
	10	171	244	406		10	68	83	43
	20	190	273	141		20	56	91	69
6/13	0	172	161	158	7/18	0	197	51	91
	2.5	153	168	159		2.5	198	176	129
	10	170	182	162		10	75	119	80
	20	217	171	160		20	69	64	72
8/13	0	188	149	180	8/29	0	138	70	108
	2.5	205	186	178		2.5	149	123	95
	10	204	181	184		10	58	77	82
	20	227	178	185		20	61	60	94
10/21	0	185	130	142	10/21	0	166	67	112
	2.5	180	150	157		2.5	167	150	106
	10	160	154	165		10	55	107	82
	20	222	163	168		20	63	71	82
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	377	49	110	4/28	0	151	120	143
	2.5	160	162	167		2.5	169	148	158
	10	198	84	89		10	174	158	169
	20	79	158	84		20	188	160	144
6/26	0	222	94	149	7/17	0	279	228	266
	2.5	259	162	186		2.5	262	255	246
	10	86	150	99		10	322	241	237
	20	102	100	144		20	328	254	238
8/21	0	177	67	147	9/04	0	191	179	213
	2.5	179	166	135		2.5	225	217	202
	10	103	99	86		10	234	211	238
	20	97	85	118		20	256	209	197
10/15	0	180	64	135	10/15	0	227	188	187
	2.5	188	155	126		2.5	221	221	193
	10	91	111	72		10	223	194	174
	20	86	72	100		20	274	210	189

Appendix C9. Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	40.1	20.6	10.0	5/21	0	4.1	1.4	3.4
	2.5	36.7	23.0	54.2		2.5	2.3	1.8	3.0
	10	20.1	32.1	77.4		10	1.4	1.6	3.0
	20	23.9	36.2	31.9		20	1.6	1.2	3.0
6/13	0	8.4	6.8	3.4	7/18	0	4.6	1.7	2.7
	2.5	11.9	26.5	12.3		2.5	4.3	3.2	3.0
	10	32.8	19.9	9.6		10	1.4	2.3	2.4
	20	24.3	23.4	12.8		20	1.9	2.0	3.9
8/13	0	8.1	16.7	25.5	8/29	0	3.0	1.6	2.4
	2.5	12.6	12.1	7.5		2.5	3.1	2.6	3.2
	10	8.9	7.9	8.2		10	2.3	2.0	3.8
	20	9.2	8.9	7.8		20	2.0	2.0	4.0
10/21	0	5.2	4.8	4.8	10/21	0	4.0	2.4	3.1
	2.5	5.1	5.5	4.7		2.5	3.6	3.6	4.0
	10	5.6	5.9	8.0		10	2.8	3.2	5.2
	20	4.4	4.8	4.8		20	2.9	3.4	4.2
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	14.3	5.8	7.7	4/28	0	8.0	5.2	5.6
	2.5	8.8	5.3	17.7		2.5	6.1	4.7	5.4
	10	11.5	7.3	20.9		10	6.1	6.2	4.6
	20	11.4	17.5	12.2		20	5.1	6.2	5.7
6/26	0	17.3	10.0	13.9	7/17	0	7.2	5.3	4.7
	2.5	31.7	21.2	40.9		2.5	8.1	6.0	5.2
	10	10.0	17.0	29.6		10	9.0	7.2	5.7
	20	9.8	6.2	36.8		20	8.0	5.9	6.8
8/21	0	15.0	4.6	9.0	9/04	0	6.5	7.1	6.8
	2.5	11.0	8.9	15.1		2.5	4.9	5.4	4.7
	10	4.5	14.3	8.7		10	7.0	8.2	6.6
	20	5.2	6.3	15.8		20	7.8	7.0	5.2
10/15	0	4.0	1.7	4.0	10/15	0	4.4	7.9	7.2
	2.5	4.6	8.2	6.5		2.5	6.2	<b>6.9</b>	3.7
	10	1.8	3.7	4.2		10	5.9	4.7	7.2
	20	4.8	4.2	2.8		20	<b>6.6</b>	3.7	6.5

Appendix C10. Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	2580	1870	2280	5/21	0	1580	792	1340
	2.5	2680	2280	2360		2.5	1710	1550	1200
	10	2450	2320	2330		10	939	1160	981
	20	2910	2090	2020		20	1210	920	1020
6/13	0	2370	1940	2390	7/18	0	2780	586	1240
	2.5	2170	2190	2100		2.5	2360	1900	1540
	10	2300	2310	2060		10	939	886	1060
	20	2700	2230	2260		20	1110	1090	1070
8/13	0	2460	1970	2350	8/29	0	1620	518	1530
	2.5	2460	2280	2270		2.5	1640	1540	1460
	10	2240	2040	2340		10	583	963	1150
	20	2640	2140	2330		20	941	856	1220
10/21	0	2260	1820	2330	10/21	0	2040	849	1470
	2.5	2200	2020	2290		2.5	1080	1650	1290
	10	2370	2100	2120		20	961	1190	770
	20	2620	2110	2240		20	1030	883	1250
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	1910	1580	1280	4/28	0	2170	1890	2120
	2.5	1810	790	1450		2.5	2740	1890	2170
	10	1010	1010	1020		10	2150	1910	2020
	20	822	1080	1310		20	2320	2150	2130
6/26	0	2220	800	1860	7/17	0	2600	2030	2580
	2.5	2250	1760	1750		2.5	2580	2330	2400
	10	1110	1190	1310		10	2720	2230	2060
	20	1360	1160	1520		20	2920	2320	2470
8/21	0	1920	669	1220	9/04	0	2180	1580	2160
	2.5	1820	1520	1320		2.5	2080	2150	2010
	10	794	845	757		10	2250	2100	2060
	20	680	597	1020		20	2440	2060	2100
10/15	0	1650	709	1300	10/15	0	2100	1720	2070
	2.5	1590	1290	1310		2.5	2100	2050	1960
	10	813	1020	876		10	2040	1870	1850
	20	820	800	1050		20	2370	1890	1890

Appendix C11. Total Nitrogen (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	2590	1890	2290	5/21	0	1590	794	1340
	2.5	2720	2300	2420		2.5	1710	1560	1200
	10	2470	2350	2410		10	940	1160	984
	20	2940	2110	2050		20	1210	920	1020
6/13	0	2380	1950	2430	7/18	0	2780	588	1240
	2.5	2180	2220	2110		2.5	2370	1900	1540
	10	2340	2330	2070		10	940	888	1070
	20	2730	2250	2270		20	1110	1090	1070
8/13	0	2470	1990	2380	8/29	0	1630	520	1530
	2.5	2480	2290	2280		2.5	1650	1540	1470
	10	2250	2050	2350		10	585	965	1160
	20	2650	2150	2340		20	943	858	1220
10/21	0	2270	1820	2340	10/21	0	2050	851	1480
	2.5	2210	2030	2300		2.5	1080	1650	1300
	10	2370	2110	2130		10	964	1190	773
	20	2630	2110	2250		20	1030	887	1260
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	1930	1590	1290	4/28	0	2190	1890	2130
	2.5	1820	790	1470		2.5	2750	1900	2180
	10	1020	1020	1040		10	2160	1920	2020
	20	833	1100	1320		20	2330	2160	2140
6/26	0	2240	810	1880	7/17	0	2610	2040	2590
	2.5	2280	1780	1790		2.5	2590	2340	2410
	10	1120	1210	1350		10	2730	2340	2070
	20	1370	1170	1560		20	2930	2330	2480
8/21	0	1940	674	1230	9/04	0	2190	1590	2170
	2.5	1830	1530	1330		2.5	2090	2160	2020
	10	799	860	766		10	2260	2110	2070
	20	685	603	1030		20	2450	2070	2110
10/15	0	1650	711	1300	10/15	0	2110	1730	2180
	2.5	1600	1300	1320		2.5	2110	2060	1970
	10	815	1030	880		10	2050	1880	1860
	20	825	804	1050		20	2380	1900	1900

Appendix C12. Bray P-1 (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1L	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	12	12	4.8	5/21	0	17	14	18
	2.5	18	7.1	9.4		2.5	14	18	23
	10	16	20	10		10	19	18	17
	20	13	16	11		20	25	19	54
6/13	0	15	20	4.2	7/18	0	42	18	17
	2.5	9.7	17	5.9		2.5	28	40	34
	10	13	27	11		10	20	25	29
	20	20	24	13		20	16	18	20
8/13	0	18	16	4.5	8/29	0	24	23	21
	2.5	16	17	9.8		2.5	17	15	28
	10	21	16	15		10	24	18	23
	20	21	19	15		20	33	16	26
10/21	0	17	17	4.6	10/21	0	22	17	18
	2.5	16	17	8.2		2.5	23	21	31
	10	17	21	11		10	19	28	20
	20	24	25	11		20	23	22	37
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	15	11	7.7	4/28	0	13	11	4.1
	2.5	12	12	13		2.5	9.2	9.2	8.2
	10	8.9	13	9.2		10	8.4	17	9.7
	20	12	18	10		20	12	20	8.3
6/26	0	16	12	11	7/17	0	17	8.3	6.2
	2.5	16	12	25		2.5	18	13	11
	10	20	13	11		10	15	11	14
	20	20	12	20		20	17	26	9.0
8/21	0	12	8.3	16	9/04	0	14	14	5.7
	2.5	13	12	10		2.5	11	12	8.0
	10	13	11	12		10	13	21	12
	20	12	10	20		20	18	24	14
10/15	0	14	12	11	10/15	0	14	13	6.0
	2.5	14	13	19		2.5	16	11	11
	10	18	9.8	6.7		10	11	19	17
	20	18	14	16		20	19	18	12



Appendix C13. Total Phosphorus (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	500	402	796	5/21	0	746	392	503
	2.5	508	379	603		2.5	597	730	642
	10	537	477	472		10	545	464	623
	20	618	616	696		20	491	428	606
6/13	0	645	569	770	7/18	0	700	508	617
	2.5	573	581	625		2.5	676	636	607
	10	577	626	646		10	516	505	712
	20	895	708	813		20	492	475	550
8/13	0	602	515	789	8/29	0	636	567	506
	2.5	562	574	642		2.5	573	570	636
	10	527	579	584		10	477	450	653
	20	815	640	653		20	432	452	533
10/21	0	618	533	771	10/21	0	624	506	439
	2.5	410	539	622		2.5	597	591	610
	10	587	530	589		10	530	486	341
	20	781	640	696		20	394	429	426
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	554	539	448	4/28	0	561	652	693
	2.5	585	554	633		2.5	570	533	492
	10	448	447	606		10	546	675	486
	20	454	565	504		20	713	614	618
6/26	0	570	526	516	7/17	0	529	601	849
	2.5	601	582	586		2.5	643	537	472
	10	504	491	656		10	592	618	623
	20	486	487	544		20	662	643	768
8/21	0	688	793	586	9/04	0	550	601	677
	2.5	632	662	720		2.5	544	555	669
	10	536	574	676		10	602	657	635
	20	537	601	627		20	826	706	716
10/15	0	595	584	486	10/15	0	725	599	876
	2.5	620	558	613		2.5	676	581	706
	10	521	452	589		10	696	692	697
	20	540	464	515		20	702	643	771

Appendix C14. Potassium (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	860	780	650	5/21	0	700	790	710
	2.5	790	800	800		2.5	860	1080	1010
	10	790	880	660		10	740	830	720
	20	800	960	690		20	820	770	860
6/13	0	610	820	750	7/18	0	1060	600	530
	2.5	720	830	760		2.5	610	840	610
	10	830	850	710		10	630	880	580
	20	670	720	670		20	760	790	540
8/13	0	700	420	480	8/29	0	760	680	730
	2.5	630	520	420		2.5	560	670	640
	10	540	460	560		10	780	670	590
	20	620	480	570		20	630	640	610
10/21	0	650	630	660	10/21	0	860	790	560
	2.5	620	670	620		2.5	800	820	880
	10	630	670	650		10	670	580	580
	20	730	600	630		20	900	720	570
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	1010	400	1586	4/28	0	821	767	804
	2.5	1000	377	399		2.5	800	798	599
	10	196	993	1381		10	807	823	403
	20	1592	604	798		20	997	397	782
6/26	0	950	1040	1220	7/17	0	920	740	780
	2.5	985	1080	930		2.5	830	830	940
	10	910	740	880		10	850	1000	970
	20	1445	850	1170		20	860	800	1000
8/21	0	696	700	673	9/04	0	731	513	765
	2.5	755	757	760		2.5	742	681	643
	10	725	704	653		10	648	713	655
	20	731	737	738		20	712	696	722
10/15	0	759	926	559	10/15	0	717	621	613
	2.5	746	763	892		2.5	724	635	578
	10	859	841	711		10	592	729	618
	20	734	717	784		20	766	570	625

Appendix C15. Total Aluminum (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	9300	9400	9300	5/21	0	9300	9300	10700
	2.5	10600	10200	10400		2.5	10200	9900	9800
	10	10500	9900	9700		10	9100	10000	7400
	20	9600	10500	9100		20	10600	9500	10400
6/13	0	10000	10100	10600	7/18	0	10300	10100	10500
	2.5	10500	10200	11100		2.5	10200	10200	11200
	10	8500	10300	11400		10	10400	10800	9600
	20	11400	10300	10600		20	10700	10200	9500
8/13	0	11000	10000	10900	8/29	0	11300	10200	11500
	2.5	9200	9800	10200		2.5	11000	10700	10400
	10	10100	10000	10100		10	10800	11000	9500
	20	10700	10900	10900		20	10400	10100	9800
10/21	0	9600	9800	9800	10/21	0	11300	10500	11400
	2.5	10300	10600	10500		2.5	11500	10400	10700
	10	10300	10400	10400		10	9800	11800	9100
	20	10900	10500	10100		20	11300	11500	10000
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	10700	8800	10400	4/28	0	9300	8500	8900
	2.5	11100	10000	10100		2.5	9900	8400	8700
	10	10100	9500	6800		10	9400	9400	8800
	20	9600	10600	8200		20	9300	8200	8800
6/26	0	14400	12700	18200	7/17	0	10800	9500	10400
	2.5	14500	15900	12400		2.5	9600	11000	13100
	10	13200	12300	12300		10	10300	11000	14400
	20	20700	12100	15200		20	10300	11800	13900
8/21	0	10500	11200	12200	9/04	0	9900	9900	10900
	2.5	11100	11700	10800		2.5	11500	10800	9300
	10	11800	11200	9800		10	10800	10300	11000
	20	11700	11600	10500		20	11100	11700	11200
10/15	0	11400	10200	12800	10/15	0	10200	9600	9100
	2.5	11700	12400	12100		2.5	10200	9200	10500
	10	12400	12300	9800		10	9800	11000	12000
	20	11300	11600	11900		20	11400	10300	9300

Appendix C16. Boron (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Applica- tion Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	0.48	0.28	0.19	5/21	0	0.46	0.28	0.54
	2.5	0.36	0.27	0.19		2.5	0.42	0.23	0.28
	10	0.38	0.25	0.25		10.	0.28	0.21	0.50
	20	0.36	0.17	0.35		20	0.22	0.22	0.47
6/13	0	0.49	0.35	0.38	7/18	0	0.70	0.21	0.21
	2.5	0.46	0.38	0.60		2.5	0.46	0.29	0.31
	10	0.59	0.44	0.45		10	0.27	0.21	0.28
	20	0.39	0.43	0.44		20	0.28	0.19	0.19
8/13	0	0.45	0.27	0.34	8/29	0	0.64	0.14	0.34
	2.5	0.29	0.53	0.36		2.5	0.42	0.28	0.18
	10	0.55	0.35	0.32		10	0.19	0.36	0.36
	20	0.43	0.50	0.34		20	0.21	0.18	0.26
10/21	0	0.59	0.33	0.41	10/21	0	0.38	0.15	0.27
	2.5	0.48	0.53	0.36		2.5	0.36	0.20	0.08
	10	0.48	0.37	0.24		10	0.20	0.09	0.19
	20	0.41	0.39	0.32		20	0.12	0.05	0.10
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	0.62	0.37	0.31	4/28	0	1.47	0.65	0.51
	2.5	0.60	0.53	0.25		2.5	1.45	0.63	0.49
	10	0.51	0.33	0.20		10	0.82	0.58	0.54
	20	0.31	0.37	0.24		20	0.73	0.41	0.49
6/26	0	0.20	0.30	0.10	7/17	0	0.10	0.33	0.48
	2.5	0.20	0.30	0.10		2.5	0.30	0.33	0.32
	10	0.20	0.20	0.20		10	0.20	0.36	0.32
	20	0.30	0.30	0.20		20	0.30	0.34	0.24
8/21	0	0.31	0.24	0.16	9/04	0	0.32	0.38	0.39
	2.5	0.29	0.26	0.20		2.5	0.41	0.52	0.41
	10	0.25	0.29	0.13		10	0.38	0.61	0.61
	20	0.29	0.17	0.21		20	0.34	0.58	0.42
10/15	0	0.47	0.27	0.21	10/15	0	0.41	0.27	0.29
	2.5	0.43	0.40	0.17		2.5	0.44	0.35	0.35
	10	0.41	0.34	0.27		10	0.48	0.42	0.35
	20	0.34	0.31	0.23		20	0.43	0.41	0.34

Appendix C17. Cadmium (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	(Corn Plots)			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	0.78	0.99	0.28	5/21	0	0.76	0.87	<0.10
	2.5	<0.10	0.29	0.39		2.5	0.28	0.99	0.39
	10	1.33	0.20	<0.10		10	0.19	0.40	0.79
	20	0.80	<0.10	<0.10		20		1.00	0.68
6/13	0	<0.10	<0.10	<0.10	7/18	0	0.29	1.00	1.59
	2.5	0.10	<0.10	<0.10		2.5	<0.10	<0.10	1.36
	10	0.17	<0.10	<0.10		10	<0.10	0.66	1.88
	20	0.89	<0.10	<0.10		20	<0.10	1.42	0.56
8/13	0	<0.10	0.10	1.29	8/29	0	1.35	1.58	1.50
	2.5	0.29	1.85	1.75		2.5	0.77	1.47	2.32
	10	<0.10	1.71	1.82		10	0.93	0.78	1.58
	20	<0.10	0.99	0.88		20	1.59	1.32	0.78
10/21	0	1.25	0.49	0.87	10/21	0	0.87	0.76	0.77
	2.5	1.36	0.49	0.78		2.5	<0.10	<0.10	0.60
	10	0.90	<0.10	1.70		10	<0.10	<0.10	0.10
	20	0.80	1.41	0.99		20	0.68	0.29	<0.10
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	0.40	0.50	0.20	4/28	0	0.82	1.05	0.80
	2.5	0.50	0.57	0.40		2.5	1.00	0.40	0.80
	10	1.08	0.50	0.89		10	0.91	1.34	0.60
	20	0.70	0.60	0.70		20	0.90	0.50	1.00
6/28	0	<0.10	0.50	0.20	7/17	0	0.30	0.40	0.30
	2.5	0.20	0.50	0.50		2.5	0.50	0.70	0.50
	10	0.15	0.60	0.90		10	0.40	0.10	0.30
	20	0.70	0.70	0.30		20	0.10	0.10	0.20
8/21	0	0.39	0.60	0.46	9/04	0	0.29	0.39	0.39
	2.5	0.60	0.50	0.69		2.5	0.59	0.49	1.09
	10	0.49	0.77	1.27		10	0.30	0.43	0.90
	20	0.69	0.53	1.09		20	0.58	0.20	0.50
10/15	0	0.56	0.39	0.30	10/15	0	0.40	0.59	0.70
	2.5	0.69	0.40	0.59		2.5	0.69	0.50	0.89
	10	0.39	0.79	0.59		10	0.60	0.99	0.60
	20	0.60	0.89	0.89		20	0.90	0.30	0.79

Appendix C18. Calcium (mg/kg) in Soils

Date <b>1986</b>	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date <b>1986</b>	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
4/24	0	2490	2490	5890	5/21	0	2530	2360	1910
	2.5	2680	2600	3340		2.5	2730	2950	8560
	10	2860	2450	2800		10	2320	2050	29150
	20	3310	4520	3490		20	2590	2130	6080
6/13	0	2480	2290	9500	7/18	0	2550	2000	2150
	2.5	2800	2460	3910		2.5	2620	2260	4430
	10	2550	2460	3090		10	1940	1850	19130
	20	4320	2520	3370		20	2110	2000	8860
8/13	0	2590	2220	3840	8/29	0	2870	2640	2710
	2.5	25290	2400	3620		2.5	2130	2490	6810
	10	3090	2340	3320		10	2850	2260	2340
	20	3510	2440	4060		20	2900	2790	5340
10/21	0	2410	2240	4790	10/21	0	2590	2820	2370
	2.5	2550	2310	3310		2.5	3000	2570	7080
	10	2550	2310	3090		10	2270	2690	21900
	20	4290	2510	3760		20	2730	2960	5830
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	3430	2200	2380	4/21	0	3490	3640	6830
	2.5	3400	1890	9780		2.5	3600	3790	5190
	10	2750	2580	23300		10	3430	4110	4630
	20	3180	2820	9370		20	4790	4170	5210
6/26	0	2990	2900	2930	7/17	0	3870	3120	6750
	2.5	3480	3040	5070		2.5	3300	3590	4370
	10	2980	2410	28700		10	4030	3240	4180
	20	4570	3230	4590		20	5080	4380	5690
8/21	0	3080	2360	2360	9/04	0	1900	1720	7040
	2.5	2400	2090	5150		2.5	1670	2170	3430
	10	1320	1850	20000		10	2770	2530	3470
	20	2000	3050	7470		20	3730	3260	4510
10/15	0	2720	2800	2390	10/15	0	2370	2230	5560
	2.5	2950	2590	4590		2.5	2650	2070	3700
	10	2850	2490	20900		10	2530	2320	5080
	20	3060	3030	5830		20	3550	2890	4360

Appendix C19. Chromium (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	12	17	16	5/21	0	16	17	17
	2.5	15	17	19		2.5	18	18	18
	10	17	16	18		10	19	18	16
	20	17	17	15		20	21	15	16
6/13	0	16	17	17	7/18	0	15	18	18
	2.5	18	17	16		2.5	14	16	20
	10	14	15	18		10	20	19	18
	20	18	16	18		20	19	19	16
8/13	0	18	17	17	8/29	0	16	20	17
	2.5	16	16	18		2.5	17	17	16
	10	16	13	15		10	20	19	15
	20	15	16	18		20	19	17	18
10/21	0	13	16	15	10/21	0	18	18	15
	2.5	16	17	14		2.5	16	14	16
	10	15	16	16		10	15	17	15
	20	15	14	14		20	18	18	15

Appendix C20. Copper (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	12	12	11	5/21	0	11	17	13
	2.5	13	13	16		2.5	14	16	13
	10	17	9	13		10	16	15	11
	20	11	10	11		20	18	16	14
6/13	0	11	15	14	7/18	0	13	16	18
	2.5	12	13	12		2.5	13	12	17
	10	8	12	13		10	16	16	18
	20	12	11	13		20	15	16	15
8/13	0	15	38	15	8/29	0	16	16	12
	2.5	17	16	15		2.5	17	13	12
	10	16	13	14		10	16	15	10
	20	15	13	16		20	14	16	11
10/2	0	11	13	13	10/21	0	14	16	13
	2.5	12	14	12		2.5	13	13	14
	10	12	12	12		10	16	15	12
	20	12	11	10		20	15	16	12
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	14	17	15	4/28	0	11	14	13
	2.5	15	14	13		2.5	13	15	12
	10	17	15	12		10	14	11	13
	20	17	16	12		20	12	10	15
6/26	0	21	26	21	7/17	0	20	18	18
	2.5	17	23	18		2.5	19	19	19
	10	25	22	19		10	19	29	22
	20	30	22	22		20	21	19	23
8/21	0	15	21	17	9/04	0	14	16	15
	2.5	16	19	17		2.5	18	16	13
	10	21	19	16		10	15	14	15
	20	20	19	18		20	15	15	16
10/15	0	15	19	17	10/15	0	12	15	15
	2.5	16	16	16		2.5	15	15	15
	10	20	20	15		10	16	13	16
	20	20	19	17		20	15	13	16



Appendix C21. Iron (Total) (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Cora Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	8900	12100	11500	5/21	0	11600	15500	13800
	2.5	12000	11700	11700		2.5	15400	14100	12400
	10	11500	10600	12700		10	15700	14500	10500
	20	9200	11400	10300		20	17000	13900	12300
6/13	0	10300	14100	12500	7/18	0	11400	15400	16600
	2.5	10900	12100	12300		2.5	12200	9600	17100
	10	9900	11900	13300		10	15500	15700	16000
	20	11700	11900	11500		20	16200	16200	15000
8/13	0	16800	18700	16500	8/29	0	16100	20500	17200
	2.5	15600	14700	14800		2.5	18000	15800	15300
	10	13900	16300	13600		10	19700	18700	12700
	20	14200	16000	13800		20	17000	18000	11300
10/21	0	10200	13000	12200	10/21	0	13300	17700	18400
	2.5	12800	13800	12000		2.5	14100	11500	17100
	10	13100	11900	13400		10	13900	20500	15500
	20	10100	11500	11100		20	18100	19800	16300
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	17200	18600	18800	4/28	0	14600	16900	15500
	2.5	17800	16000	17000		2.5	16000	17000	13600
	10	18900	16700	14000		10	16100	15600	15700
	20	18500	19700	14400		20	14600	13300	16000
6/26	0	17800	20000	21400	7/17	0	18300	17300	15800
	2.5	16200	21100	16500		2.5	15500	16200	16500
	10	19100	16600	16100		10	16000	16100	21200
	20	30000	17000	18800		20	14400	17300	19600
8/21	0	15400	19700	17800	9/04	0	14200	14900	16900
	2.5	17900	14100	16600		2.5	16500	17700	13000
	10	19100	19100	14700		10	11000	15100	15500
	20	20400	19000	16200		20	12200	14900	16100
10/15	0	15800	22200	18800	10/15	0	13100	15400	16500
	2.5	17400	19000	17500		2.5	10800	16600	12500
	10	21200	21300	14200		10	15300	15200	14900
	20	18700	13000	15700		20	13200	13900	13800

Appendix C22. Lead (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	16	18	18	5/21	0	19	16	13
	2.5	17	18	18		2.5	21	17	14
	10	20	19	19		10	16	17	17
	20	17	14	20		20	14	14	16
6/13	0	14	15	14	7/18	0	17	17	15
	2.5	21	17	15		2.5	18	19	20
	10	15	16	16		10	18	17	20
	20	20	14	18		20	13	12	13
8/13	0	14	10	13	8/29	0	18	21	22
	2.5	12	8	18		2.5	13	18	20
	10	15	15	15		10	16	22	19
	20	14	16	19		20	18	20	18
10/21	0	21	22	17	10/21	0	16	17	15
	2.5	21	21	15		2.5	19	17	15
	10	21	15	14		10	17	13	19
	20	23	15	18		20	16	13	15
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	20	13	18	4/28	0	15	18	15
	2.5	15	17	14		2.5	16	17	17
	10	18	15	22		10	18	19	15
	20	13	20	14		20	12	16	17
6/26	0	20	26	21	7/17	0	21	19	17
	2.5	18	21	17		2.5	16	17	17
	10	18	16	23		10	16	19	20
	20	25	14	19		20	17	20	21
8/21	0	14	16	16	9/04	0	18	19	16
	2.5	15	19	17		2.5	16	21	15
	10	16	16	17		10	15	19	16
	20	16	18	17		20	17	17	20
10/15	0	18	16	19	10/15	0	11	21	16
	2.5	18	15	18		2.5	22	16	19
	10	18	19	19		10	15	15	15
	20	19	17	18		20	17	17	15

Appendix C23. Magnesium (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	1520	2000	3140	5/21	0	1820	2680	2200
	2.5	1820	1670	1750		2.5	2320	2210	5440
	10	1750	1710	1750		10	2690	2440	25710
	20	1590	1930	1950		20	3030	2520	3610
6/13	0	1560	2110	5260	7/18	0	1770	2600	2150
	2.5	1730	1760	1770		2.5	1750	2080	3120
	10	1450	1740	1770		10	2590	2610	13900
	20	1840	1680	1940		20	2840	2760	5900
8/13	0	1630	1920	2100	8/29	0	2050	2690	1970
	2.5	24240	1620	1570		2.5	2130	2080	4300
	10	1620	1680	1600		10	2710	2400	1450
	20	1600	1650	1970		20	2650	2370	3750
10/21	0	1450	1990	2380	10/21	0	1910	2820	2230
	2.5	1670	1680	1640		2.5	2090	1930	3990
	10	1610	1620	1720		10	2270	2390	12760
	20	1760	1620	1810		20	2820	2520	3340
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	2420	3000	2780	4/28	0	2050	2300	3210
	2.5	2600	2450	5590		2.5	2200	1990	2000
	10	3140	2780	11000		10	2020	2260	2010
	20	2990	3020	5390		20	2000	1790	2210
6/26	0	2310	2870	3020	7/17	0	1920	1840	2640
	2.5	2030	2650	3330		2.5	1610	1720	2110
	10	2800	2400	11330		10	1660	1670	2370
	20	4110	2730	3540		20	1570	1730	2340
8/21	0	2060	2430	1770	9/04	0	970	1610	2390
	2.5	1580	1970	2260		2.5	1100	1090	1180
	10	2090	1810	10750		10	1180	1240	1280
	20	1910	2240	3090		20	1180	1350	1490
10/15	0	1430	2280	1890	10/15	0	1230	1650	2570
	2.5	1480	1620	2600		2.5	1390	1390	1580
	10	2220	2090	15870		10	1290	1440	1670
	20	2160	2050	3230		20	1400	1450	1560

Appendix C24. Manganese (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	500	720	590	5/21	0	600	600	590
	2.5	530	820	410		2.5	700	660	600
	10	510	560	640		10	680	580	470
	20	340	570	520		20	710	590	610
6/13	0	480	790	520	7/18	0	600	620	600
	2.5	490	720	490		2.5	670	570	660
	10	400	570	610		10	670	630	560
	20	410	610	600		20	660	580	590
8/13	0	560	830	670	8/29	0	630	650	650
	2.5	590	610	540		2.5	610	590	650
	10	520	570	630		10	670	620	520
	20	370	630	470		20	640	620	590
10/21	0	510	670	480	10/21	0	650	650	620
	2.5	440	870	440		2.5	620	600	620
	10	570	610	620		10	610	640	550
	20	410	580	600		20	720	610	580
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	590	620	610	4/28	0	480	710	410
	2.5	640	610	560		2.5	480	1550	390
	10	700	610	500		10	500	580	620
	20	640	630	550		20	360	640	680
6/26	0	690	770	740	7/17	0	590	1160	550
	2.5	640	670	670		2.5	490	920	460
	10	770	690	650		10	440	530	840
	20	970	680	630		20	390	690	720
8/21	0	780	840	870	9/04	0	880	930	620
	2.5	900	820	760		2.5	660	1050	650
	10	960	880	790		10	640	810	880
	20	970	880	800		20	540	910	820
10/15	0	810	920	960	10/15	0	610	1060	890
	2.5	890	850	850		2.5	720	900	480
	10	990	790	730		10	620	680	860
	20	960	730	920		20	560	680	730

Appendix C25. Nickel (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	18	23	26	5/21	0	26	32	32
	2.5	25	22	24		2.5	30	32	27
	10	22	18	27		10	33	33	27
	20	19	23	23		20	37	32	31
6/13	0	19	27	26	7/18	0	27	31	29
	2.5	21	24	18		2.5	24	23	30
	10	17	19	27		10	34	34	28
	20	19	21	29		20	34	30	26
8/13	0	27	29	30	8/29	0	28	38	32
	2.5	31	25	22		2.5	29	31	31
	10	24	25	24		10	36	36	24
	20	24	26	25		20	33	31	29
10/21	0	24	28	30	10/21	0	30	37	32
	2.5	24	29	27		2.5	29	30	30
	10	31	21	26		10	31	32	31
	20	26	24	26		20	34	33	25
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	19	23	23	4/28	0	4	8	11
	2.5	17	11	24		2.5	12	15	7
	10	15	14	15		10	10	7	14
	20	15	22	14		20	1	8	11
6/26	0	14	19	17	7/17	0	13	15	11
	2.5	12	17	15		2.5	12	15	12
	10	18	17	15		10	11	12	16
	20	27	16	15		20	10	13	17
8/21	0	10	14	12	9/04	0	9	11	11
	2.5	10	10	13		2.5	11	12	8
	10	14	12	13		10	9	9	10
	20	14	14	14		20	9	8	10
10/15	0	11	19	16	10/15	0	7	13	13
	2.5	11	13	13		2.5	12	12	10
	10	15	16	13		10	14	10	12
	20	14	14	13		20	12	9	11

Appendix C26. Zinc (mg/kg) in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	40	40	33	5/21	0	35	43	38
	2.5	41	38	33		2.5	41	42	43
	10	42	40	38		10	43	39	36
	20	34	42	34		20	47	42	45
6/13	0	36	46	36	7/18	0	44	44	34
	2.5	39	37	33		2.5	38	36	37
	10	31	42	38		10	45	44	39
	20	38	39	37		20	44	41	34
8/13	0	43	44	41	8/29	0	38	44	39
	2.5	39	39	39		2.5	37	38	37
	10	40	38	39		10	46	40	36
	20	37	41	38		20	42	41	34
10/21	0	41	42	37	10/21	0	42	45	41
	2.5	42	43	36		2.5	40	37	40
	10	40	41	39		10	45	44	36
	20	39	40	39		20	46	45	37
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	41	44	41	4/28	0	43	44	38
	2.5	42	40	40		2.5	45	43	33
	10	48	44	36		10	42	44	39
	20	46	44	35		20	37	39	43
6/26	0	54	61	56	7/17	0	56	50	46
	2.5	63	58	51		2.5	54	53	49
	10	58	52	56		10	52	59	57
	20	82	58	99		20	67	60	60
8/21	0	36	44	37	9/04	0	43	47	40
	2.5	40	45	42		2.5	48	47	33
	10	47	42	42		10	46	47	42
	20	48	44	43		20	39	52	46
10/15	0	44	49	46	10/15	0	48	45	39
	2.5	43	53	43		2.5	44	43	41
	10	52	51	40		10	44	53	48
	20	51	49	47		20	43	46	45

Appendix C27. Percent Sand in Soil

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>				<b>1986</b>					
4/24	0	5.4	2.8	2.8	5/21	0	3.1	0.4	1.3
	2.5	7.5	3.1	1.9		2.5	3.3	1.0	1.4
	10	3.1	1.9	1.8		10	2.2	0.6	1.9
	20	5.3	4.0	2.4		20	2.0	1.1	1.3
6/13	0	2.8	2.5	2.9	7/18	0	2.9	1.6	2.0
	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.0		2.5	2.4	2.3	1.5
	10	2.1	2.5	2.9		10	0.9	1.6	2.3
	20	5.2	2.5	2.7		20	1.6	1.6	1.4
8/13	0	0.2	0.6	3.0	8/29	0	1.2	1.2	1.0
	2.5	1.2	1.3	2.5		2.5	2.9	1.1	1.5
	10	1.3	1.7	2.8		10	2.9	1.3	1.7
	20	1.9	1.4	2.9		20	2.2	0.9	1.8
10/21	0	2.7	1.4	1.8	10/21	0	1.4	0.2	0.9
	2.5	1.9	3.0	2.7		2.5	1.8	1.1	1.2
	10	2.2	4.1	1.3		10	1.4	1.0	2.2
	20	2.1	4.8	1.5		20	3.1	0.5	2.0
<b>1987</b>				<b>1987</b>					
4/28	0	1.6	1.0	1.7	4/28	0	0.8	4.1	1.2
	2.5	1.4	1.7	1.5		2.5	1.2	4.7	1.9
	10	0.8	3.5	2.3		10	1.6	4.1	1.8
	20	1.3	1.6	7.7		20	1.2	3.6	1.2
6/26	0	17.2	11.6	9.1	7/17	0	18.1	3.8	5.7
	2.5	7.0	3.1	4.1		2.5	4.9	4.2	6.8
	10	3.7	9.1	4.8		10	5.8	4.5	8.2
	20	2.4	4.1	5.4		20	4.5	3.2	6.6
8/21	0	3.4	3.5	12.3	9/04	0	3.3	5.3	6.3
	2.5	4.3	9.2	7.5		2.5	3.2	1.5	13.9
	10	7.3	8.5	3.0		10	3.0	7.0	7.4
	20	8.8	2.9	3.6		20	3.8	4.5	7.1
10/15	0	2.4	2.1	7.2	10/15	0	2.6	9.3	4.0
	2.5	6.1	2.1	3.0		2.5	8.0	7.0	3.0
	10	3.0	2.9	2.9		10	5.5	5.8	3.5
	20	3.3	1.2	4.5		20	7.7	6.2	2.7

Appendix C28. Percent Silt in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	65.4	64.9	72.9	5/21	0	65.8	64.1	64.6
	2.5	69.2	63.7	72.9		2.5	63.3	65.1	72.2
	10	68.6	71.9	68.9		10	60.9	66.5	75.2
	20	68.2	65.9	73.9		20	65.6	65.8	70.6
6/13	0	70.1	69.7	72.4	7/18	0	73.7	64.4	66.7
	2.5	64.7	70.1	69.9		2.5	69.4	69.4	71.8
	10	71.5	71.4	68.7		10	68.6	66.5	75.3
	20	67.3	72.6	71.0		20	62.9	65.5	70.4
8/13	0	70.6	66.4	66.9	8/29	0	65.5	65.3	65.6
	2.5	67.8	68.3	66.2		2.5	66.1	66.6	71.9
	10	71.7	67.2	65.1		10	59.9	65.6	74.3
	20	63.5	71.7	65.7		20	63.6	69.2	69.9
10/21	0	63.0	66.4	69.0	10/21	0	66.8	64.3	64.6
	2.5	62.7	62.8	62.6		2.5	63.7	65.8	70.0
	10	64.0	65.5	67.2		10	64.5	65.0	88.9
	20	64.3	63.3	66.6		20	56.6	68.5	68.7
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	66.8	70.5	72.1	4/28	0	63.7	67.7	75.8
	2.5	66.4	73.5	76.3		2.5	65.1	71.0	69.9
	10	66.7	91.1	81.0		10	66.6	69.7	70.1
	20	64.0	74.8	75.0		20	68.0	74.0	75.7
6/26	0	60.9	66.9	60.1	7/17	0	61.8	86.0	80.8
	2.5	74.8	72.0	72.4		2.5	73.1	87.0	74.1
	10	65.2	60.8	77.2		10	73.3	83.4	73.3
	20	66.5	75.1	66.8		20	74.4	86.5	74.7
8/21	0	76.9	68.6	65.9	9/04	0	70.8	74.8	75.7
	2.5	73.7	63.4	71.8		2.5	64.3	72.4	59.6
	10	65.6	62.1	79.5		10	70.5	69.5	76.7
	20	58.6	64.5	74.3		20	68.5	73.9	70.8
10/15	0	69.0	67.7	66.7	10/15	0	71.5	62.8	76.0
	2.5	68.8	67.7	73.3		2.5	66.8	67.5	74.1
	10	64.8	65.3	75.9		10	71.2	72.5	71.8
	20	62.9	68.4	72.1		20	66.4	68.4	72.8



Appendix C29. Percent Clay in Soils

Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Corn Plots			Date	Appli- cation Rate, t/a	Soybean Plots		
		Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3			Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3
<b>1986</b>					<b>1986</b>				
4/24	0	29.2	32.3	24.3	5/21	0	31.1	35.5	34.1
	2.5	23.3	33.2	25.2		2.5	33.4	33.9	26.4
	10	28.3	26.2	29.3		10	36.9	32.9	22.9
	20	26.5	30.1	23.7		20	32.4	33.1	28.1
6/13	0	27.1	27.8	24.7	7/18	0	23.4	34.0	31.3
	2.5	32.7	27.2	28.1		2.5	28.2	28.3	26.7
	10	26.4	26.1	28.4		10	30.5	31.9	22.4
	20	27.5	24.9	26.3		20	35.5	32.9	28.2
8/13	0	29.2	33.0	30.1	8/29	0	33.3	33.5	33.4
	2.5	31.0	30.4	31.3		2.5	31.0	32.3	26.6
	10	27.0	31.1	32.1		10	37.2	33.1	24.0
	20	34.6	26.9	31.4		20	34.2	29.9	28.3
10/21	0	34.3	32.2	29.2	10/21	0	31.8	35.5	34.5
	2.5	35.4	34.2	34.7		2.5	34.5	33.1	28.8
	10	33.8	30.4	31.5		10	34.1	34.0	8.9
	20	33.6	31.9	31.9		20	40.3	31.0	29.3
<b>1987</b>					<b>1987</b>				
4/28	0	31.6	28.5	26.2	4/28	0	35.5	28.2	23.0
	2.5	32.2	24.8	22.2		2.5	33.7	24.3	28.2
	10	32.5	5.4	16.7		10	31.8	26.2	28.1
	20	34.7	23.6	17.3		20	30.8	22.4	23.1
6/26	0	21.9	21.5	30.8	7/17	0	20.2	10.2	13.5
	2.5	18.2	24.9	23.5		2.5	22.0	8.8	19.1
	10	31.1	30.1	18.0		10	20.9	12.1	18.5
	20	31.1	20.8	27.8		20	21.1	10.3	18.7
8/21	0	19.7	27.9	21.8	9/04	0	25.9	19.9	18.0
	2.5	22.0	27.4	20.7		2.5	32.5	26.1	26.5
	10	27.1	29.4	17.5		10	26.5	23.5	15.9
	20	32.6	32.6	22.1		20	27.7	21.6	22.1
10/15	0	28.6	30.2	26.1	10/15	0	25.9	27.9	20.0
	2.5	25.1	30.2	23.7		2.5	25.2	25.5	22.9
	10	32.2	31.8	21.2		10	23.3	21.7	24.7
	20	33.8	30.4	23.4		20	25.9	25.4	24.5

Appendix D. Yields and Plant Parameters

Sludge rate, t/a	CORN				SOYBEANS			
	Yield, bu/a	% grain moisture	Test weight, lb/bu	Population, plants/a	Yield, bu/a	% grain moisture	Height, inches	Population, plants/a
<b>1986</b>								
0	230.77	15.8	54.3	25,560	42.06	13.1	36.8	127,200
	212.03	16.0	53.3	24,390	32.77	13.0	38.5	137,650
	220.22	16.0	54.8	25,260	45.98	13.1	32.7	144,620
2.5	215.84	16.3	54.4	23,520	50.16	13.3	36.4	130,680
	201.94	16.4	54.6	24,100	32.62	13.5	38.5	137,650
	212.55	17.4	54.6	25,560	46.41	13.1	36.3	130,680
10	211.43	17.3	54.5	24,390	35.97	13.8	36.5	139,390
	198.60	15.9	55.7	22,070	38.72	13.0	36.3	130,680
	200.92	16.8	54.8	23,810	47.38	12.9	36.2	116,740
20	225.88	15.6	55.9	25,260	43.04	13.7	35.5	128,940
	223.76	16.2	56.3	25,560	39.66	13.3	37.1	115,000
	216.55	17.4	55.3	24,390	37.62	13.3	33.3	123,710
<b>1987</b>								
0	210.44	18.1		23,610	41.45	8.1	35.8	132,420
	121.06	18.1		13,430	42.68	8.0	37.4	109,770
	157.92	19.1		20,810	43.50	8.0	35.0	125,450
2.5	210.96	17.7		24,200	41.66	8.0	35.2	121,100
	204.05	18.0		21,540	41.64	8.0	37.6	108,900
	199.91	17.6		21,840	35.83	8.0	32.3	130,680
10	101.75	17.6		10,030	39.74	8.0	36.4	120,230
	129.98	17.3		12,340	39.92	8.0	35.3	126,620
	180.22	17.2		22,400	31.66	8.2	30.6	109,770
20	136.71	17.9		11,660	38.74	8.7	36.3	103,670
	183.15	18.2		20,660	45.96	8.2	34.8	124,580
	217.39	17.4		21,100	40.21	8.1	37.9	124,580

Appendix E. Nutrients and Heavy Metals Concentrations in Grains

Constituent	Corn plots sludge applied, t/a				Soybean plots sludge applied, t/a			
	0	2.5	10	20	0	2.5	10	20
Aluminum	<10	<10	<10	<10	12	11	14	<10
Al, mg/kg	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	14	<10	<10
	<10	<10	<10	<10	14	<10	<10	11
Cadmium	0.1	0.1	<.1	<.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Cd, mg/kg	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Calcium	0.0070	0.0040	0.0040	0.0110	0.2080	0.1970	0.1970	0.2010
Ca, %	0.0090	0.0150	0.0080	0.0080	0.2080	0.2080	0.1980	0.1890
	0.0140	0.130	0.0100	0.0090	0.2030	0.2010	0.1990	0.2140
Chromium	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Cr, mg/kg	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3
Copper	1	2	1	1	13	12	12	12
Cu, mg/kg	1	1	1	2	12	12	13	12
	1	1	1	1	13	12	13	13
Iron	16	15	14	15	64	58	57	51
Fe, mg/kg	12	14	14	14	50	63	56	54
	12	11	12	13	66	65	54	67
Lead	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.4	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.5
Pb, mg/kg	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.4
	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.5	1.3	1.4	1.0	1.3
Magnesium	0.075	0.075	0.062	0.067	0.172	0.169	0.167	0.176
Mg, %	0.073	0.078	0.080	0.078	0.176	0.180	0.187	0.189
	0.066	0.069	0.071	0.073	0.170	0.194	0.184	0.184
Manganese	7	7	6	8	21	20	23	22
Mn, mg/kg	7	9	8	7	22	22	23	25
	6	6	8	8	23	24	24	22
Nickel	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	8.1	7.3	8.9	7.9
Ni, mg/kg	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	8.7	7.0	6.9	5.9
	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.4	8.8	2.4	2.6	3.0
Nitrogen	1.58	1.49	1.38	1.38	6.27	6.50	6.10	6.17
N, %	1.47	1.49	1.59	1.41	6.13	6.17	6.10	6.20
	1.34	1.37	1.49	1.49	6.48	6.21	6.01	6.22
Phosphorus	0.14	0.14	0.11	0.11	0.64	0.65	0.65	0.64
P, %	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65
	0.10	0.09	0.12	0.11	0.62	0.64	0.61	0.61
Potassium	0.23	0.24	0.18	0.21	1.41	1.39	1.33	1.42
K, %	0.24	0.22	0.24	0.24	1.45	1.38	1.50	1.40
	0.23	0.22	0.19	1.20	1.40	1.53	1.45	1.41
Zinc	<5	20	15	15	88	49	64	51
Zn, mg/kg	15	25	20	10	49	89	49	49
	44	20	15	20	54	55	54	52
Crude protein	9.86	9.30	8.63	8.64	39.20	40.60	38.14	38.59
%	9.16	9.33	9.94	8.84	38.14	38.54	38.12	38.77
	8.35	8.59	9.12	9.30	40.50	38.80	37.57	38.87
Moisture,	10.74	12.78	11.41	12.17	9.70	8.62	8.82	8.50
%	11.64	12.23	10.48	12.33	8.60	7.91	7.38	8.25
	10.47	11.64	11.25	11.81	7.55	9.00	7.44	8.00

Appendix F. Nutrients and Heavy Metals Concentration in Corn Whole Plants

Constituent	1986 sludge applied, t/a				1987 sludge applied, t/a			
	0	2.5	10	20	0	2.5	10	20
Aluminum	350	369	304	156	233	225	155	156
Al, mg/kg	71	75	85	179	64	190	185	416
	70	124	85	80	235	97	371	150
Cadmium	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.09	0.07	0.04	0.08
Cd, mg/kg	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.08
	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.09	0.01	0.05	0.06
Calcium	0.443	0.424	0.404	0.372	0.404	0.512	0.346	0.390
Ca, %	0.311	0.310	0.344	0.324	0.307	0.350	0.366	0.424
	0.362	0.393	0.406	0.380	0.412	0.280	0.571	0.364
Chromium	2.2	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.56	0.50	0.49	0.41
Cr, mg/kg	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.28	0.50	0.54	0.76
	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.63	0.29	0.77	0.36
Copper	5	4	4	6	3.7	4.2	5.6	4.6
Cu, mg/kg	5	5	6	5	5.4	3.2	3.9	4.8
	5	5	5	5	3.6	4.1	3.9	4.0
Iron	1390	890	1070	780	376	320	229	264
Fe, mg/kg	340	420	290	640	105	271	205	566
	290	460	290	340	321	141	460	223
Lead	17.0	6.9	6.4	4.0	1.2	1.7	1.3	1.7
Pb, mg/kg	2.7	2.5	2.7	4.0	0.8	1.2	1.4	2.0
	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.9	1.8	1.3	1.8	1.5
Magnesium	0.188	0.210	0.212	0.215	0.285	0.320	0.317	0.345
Mg, %	0.225	0.219	0.206	0.176	0.295	0.290	0.293	0.326
	0.288	0.248	0.259	0.250	0.274	0.250	0.383	0.284
Manganese	120	104	92	66	34	35	30	28
Mn, mg/kg	86	71	79	84	23	29	30	40
	39	63	62	37	48	11	32	20
Nickel	2.2	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.1
Ni, mg/kg	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.3	2.2
	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.8	1.6	0.8	2.1	1.3
Nitrogen	0.87	0.77	0.72	0.74				
N, %	0.73	0.75	0.74	0.74				
	0.78	0.73	0.82	0.70				
Phosphorus	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.08				
P, %	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.06				
	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05				
Potassium	1.06	0.71	0.48	0.66	0.48	0.37	0.38	0.40
K, %	0.58	0.59	0.71	0.45	0.41	0.32	0.53	0.36
	0.41	0.67	0.42	0.48	0.41	0.31	0.28	0.32
Zinc	110	95	74	93	9.1	9.5	9.6	6.6
Zn, mg/kg	29	26	44	45	8.6	6.6	7.0	6.9
	79	57	30	25	6.1	7.3	7.5	5.3

Appendix G. Nutrients and Heavy Metals Concentration in Soybean Whole Plants

Constituent	1986 sludge applied, t/a				1987 sludge applied, t/a			
	0	2.5	10	20	0	2.5	10	20
Aluminum	135	172	364	195	31	25	26	30
Al, mg/kg	188	228	226	235	33	70	31	38
	230	137	137	138	31	39	112	77
Cadmium	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.52	0.48	0.30	0.26
Cd, mg/kg	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.51	0.33	0.51	0.72
	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.16	0.39	0.25	0.18
Calcium	0.994	0.929	0.867	0.805	1.073	1.060	1.053	0.981
Cr, %	0.914	0.979	0.912	0.817	0.945	1.071	1.023	1.206
	0.944	0.919	0.930	0.854	0.933	1.012	1.109	1.099
Chromium	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.19	0.18	0.14	0.23
Cr, mg/kg	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.12	0.14	0.13	0.12
	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.12	0.10	0.19	0.40
Copper	7	6	8	7	8.6	8.9	8.7	6.9
Cu, mg/kg	8	7	7	7	6.3	6.6	8.0	7.2
	7	5	5	6	7.0	8.5	7.3	6.3
Iron	400	420	540	390	72	39	59	62
Fe, mg/kg	490	410	390	490	70	112	64	72
	440	360	360	390	60	87	181	129
Lead	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.3	1.9	2.2	1.8
Pb, mg/kg	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.6	2.3
	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.7	2.0	2.1	1.9
Magnesium	0.304	0.298	0.239	0.237	0.537	0.602	0.581	0.468
Mg, %	0.328	0.285	0.307	0.256	0.546	0.550	0.540	0.600
	0.312	0.319	0.359	0.311	0.531	0.539	0.580	0.485
Manganese	47	42	57	36	20	16	15	13
Mn, mg/kg	44	50	48	47	18	22	14	13
	60	31	38	33	11	10	19	15
Nickel	15	1.7	2.6	1.4	2.5	1.9	2.0	1.5
Ni, mg/kg	1.7	1.9	2.2	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.5
	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4
Nitrogen	1.11	1.12	1.56	1.38				
N, %	1.43	1.64	1.27	1.40				
	1.22	1.01	0.90	0.98				
Phosphorus	0.09	0.10	0.18	0.13				
P, %	0.17	0.14	0.13	0.14				
	0.12	0.09	0.08	0.10				
Potassium	0.34	0.36	0.30	0.35	1.05	0.67	0.75	0.79
K, %	0.38	0.30	0.40	0.34	0.58	0.76	0.87	0.86
	0.33	0.42	0.43	0.41	0.63	0.71	0.64	0.67
Zinc	36	27	23	54	11.2	9.7	11.1	7.1
Zn, mg/kg	30	31	15	30	7.7	9.5	10.2	9.8
	15	11	16	20	7.4	8.7	9.4	7.3

Appendix H. Nutrients and Heavy Metals Concentration in Corn Leaves

Constituent	1986 sludge applied, t/a				1987 sludge applied, t/a			
	0	2.5	10	20	0	2.5	10	20
Aluminum	31	32	37	29	24	24	20	26
Al, mg/kg	31	34	31	32	19	25	19	23
	30	30	36	26	20	14	31	17
Cadmium	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.10	0.10	0.17	0.19
Cd, mg/kg	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.13	0.15	0.13	0.24
	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.20	0.12	0.17	0.18
Calcium	0.579	0.653	0.679	0.645	0.694	0.751	0.773	0.869
Ca, %	0.607	0.547	0.592	0.595	0.720	0.822	0.733	0.944
	0.703	0.669	0.775	0.631	0.873	0.715	1.120	0.870
Chromium	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.24	0.25	0.17	0.21
Cr, mg/kg	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.24	0.15	0.21	0.13
	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.21	0.19	0.24	0.15
Copper	11	12	12	11	9.3	8.8	12.3	11.5
Cu, mg/kg	12	10	12	12	8.3	7.4	10.0	9.4
	11	11	12	11	12.1	8.6	9.5	10.7
Iron	90	190	310	290	97	114	94	103
Fe, mg/kg	290	240	240	190	115	97	89	107
	290	190	240	190	111	82	116	108
Lead	14	1.7	2.2	1.6	14	1.2	1.9	2.1
Pb, mg/kg	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.8	1.9
	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.6	1.7	1.8	2.4	2.2
Magnesium	0.232	0.281	0.289	0.328	0.352	0.383	0.508	0.547
Mg, %	0.320	0.258	0.251	0.273	0.355	0.424	0.384	0.386
	0.431	0.349	0.387	0.326	0.628	0.384	0.639	0.533
Manganese	137	128	149	115	72	49	61	59
Mg, mg/kg	137	132	121	107	60	45	59	68
	78	88	113	83	87	66	71	65
Nickel	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.8	1.8
Ni, mg/kg	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.8
	1.0	1.1	0.6	1.0	1.6	1.9	2.1	1.7
Nitrogen	2.76	2.55	2.57	2.76				
N, %	2.84	2.13	2.86	2.72				
	2.65	2.81	2.56	2.54				
Phosphorus	0.37	0.35	0.33	0.34				
P, %	0.36	0.30	0.38	0.33				
	0.31	0.33	0.33	0.33				
Potassium	1.84	1.76	1.89	1.75	1.26	1.22	0.88	1.00
K, %	1.70	1.87	1.86	1.83	1.26	1.18	1.20	1.01
	1.55	1.25	1.63	1.71	0.78	1.28	0.99	1.08
Zinc	30	40	44	29	19	28	22	23
Zn, mg/kg	35	30	39	40	27	13	18	14
	64	113	44	40	23	27	19	18

Appendix I. Nutrients and Heavy Metals Concentration in Soybean Leaves

Constituent	1986 sludge applied, t/a				1987 sludge applied, t/a			
	0	2.5	10	20	0	2.5	10	20
Aluminum	22	17	19	16	13	12	12	24
Al,mg/kg	16	14	23	20	15	26	22	14
	30	19	18	18	11	14	13	12
Cadmium	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.37	0.28	0.33	0.25
Cd,mg/kg	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.35	0.26	0.34	0.35
	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.13	0.33	0.24	0.20
Calcium	0.779	0.840	0.886	0.789	1.529	1.283	1.487	1.360
Ca, %	1.003	0.922	0.853	0.725	1.431	1.497	1.552	1.505
	0.934	0.988	0.899	0.853	1.271	1.596	1.876	1.291
Chromium	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.50	0.46	0.44	0.66
Cr, mg/kg	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.37	0.36	0.38	0.59
	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.29	0.30	0.27	0.36
Copper	10	10	10	10	11	10	10	11
Cu, mg/kg	10	10	11	9	13	12	13	11
	10	11	11	11	9	12	10	11
Iron	190	290	190	210	110	92	89	109
Fe, mg/kg	240	190	240	250	76	104	77	102
	140	340	240	290	70	85	83	89
Lead	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.6	2.0	2.3	3.7
Pb, mg/kg	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.7	3.3	2.8	2.5
	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.4	2.3	3.0	2.9	2.5
Magnesium	0.302	0.317	0.341	0.330	0.434	0.411	0.424	0.405
Mg, %	0.462	0.338	0.324	0.269	0.474	0.450	0.438	0.447
	0.345	0.339	0.331	0.346	0.414	0.550	0.562	0.389
Manganese					44	51	41	39
Mn, mg/kg					59	62	43	43
					30	38	43	44
Nickel	8.9	8.6	10.9	9.7	8.4	7.7	8.0	7.6
Ni, mg/kg	9.4	8.0	10.7	7.8	2.6	7.1	8.8	8.0
	10.5	3.2	4.7	4.6	2.9	5.2	4.0	4.8
Nitrogen								
N, %								
Phosphorus								
P, %								
Potassium	2.31	2.46	2.22	2.19	1.93	1.63	1.65	1.58
K, %	2.30	2.29	2.44	2.00	1.70	1.72	1.73	1.70
	2.32	2.41	2.26	2.31	1.19	1.34	1.31	1.63
Zinc	35	30	30	33	41	39	39	40
Zn, mg/kg	35	29	30	25	41	42	43	29
	134	25	50	30	39	38	38	40