

Yahara Pride Farms

2016 Phosphorus Reduction Report



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Executive Summary

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What the data represents

This report provides the data and summary information for the 37 farms cooperating with the 2016 Yahara Pride Farms (YPF) cost share program. The information provided is based on the difference in predicted phosphorus loss from the adoption of a practice such as strip tillage, low disturbance manure injection, cover crops, headland stacking of manure; or combination of two practices and the continued implementation of a practice for multiple consecutive years. The 2016 data is based off the “SNAP+” plans provided to YPF by the farmers and/or their crop advisors.

In most cases the plans were used as sent, however in a few cases where fields were planned from 2016 forward, the planning period was revised to include past years’ data. Crop consultants plan forward to account for changes to the crop rotation and/or farming systems. A challenge facing farmers in the Yahara Watershed is that the factors used to calculate tolerable soil loss were updated in the 2014 – 2015 SNAP+ nutrient management-planning tool. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) maintains the soil survey data used by the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation 2 (RUSLE2) and SNAP+ to estimate sheet and rill soil erosion. In 2014 NRCS began a national update of soil survey data including Tolerable (T) soil loss values and soil erodibility factors (K). The University of Wisconsin Soils Department annually updates the SNAP+ database to reflect the most current NRCS soil survey data. The edits to the SNAP+ soils database will cause changes to occur to some of the year-to-year predicted phosphorus loss values even when no other change to the farming system occurred. Some fields within this database saw tolerable soil loss levels decrease, while others saw an increase in the predicted average rotational soil loss levels due to an increase of the K factor.

Some fields in this data set saw a major change in the 2015 revision in the both tolerable soil loss (T) levels, and in the calculated actual rotational soil loss because the factors used in the SNAP+ program. The change that occurred between 2014 and 2015 were fairly dramatic on certain fields and it is assumed that going forward we will see only minor changes within the SNAP+ program. This stabilization in the program will allow for better year-to-year comparisons of the predicted changes in the risk for phosphorus delivery to the nearest waterbody.

All the data presented in this report are derived from the individual farms nutrient management plan, which takes into account tillage, crop rotations, nutrient applications from both manure and fertilizer, and crop yields. This is the best representation of what is actually happening on the farms that participate in the Yahara Pride Cost Share program. Each farm and field has unique characteristics that influence yields, the tillage system and the risks for sediment and nutrient loss. That is why we see such large variation in losses within this data set.

Summary of phosphorus reductions

Table 1 shows a comparison of the number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions achieved through strip tillage program from 2013 to 2016.

<i>Strip Tillage Program</i>	2013	2014	2015	2016
Number of farms	3	3	3	3
Number of fields	11	15	20	21
Tillable acres in program	156	253	1,489	917
Range in phosphorus reduction (lbs./acre)	(-0.2) – 2.7	(-0.1) – 2.9	0.1 – 5.6	0.0 – 5.7
Average phosphorus reduction (lbs./acre)	1.44	0.87	0.82	0.89
Total phosphorus reduction (in pounds)	225	220	1,221	703

Table 1 Number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions through strip tillage program

Over the four years of the strip tillage cost share program there were two years with two fields that showed a negative response to the change in the tillage system. The past three years the reduction in phosphorus loss is extremely consistent averaging around 0.9 pounds per acre.

Table 2 shows a comparison of the number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions achieved through the low disturbance manure injection program from 2013 to 2016.

<i>Low Disturbance Manure Injection Program</i>	2013	2014	2015	2016
Number of farms	11	14	4	7
Number of fields	20	20	32	76
Tillable acres in program	361	841	566	1,203
Range in phosphorus reduction (lbs./acre)	0.1 – 7.6	(-0.1) – 2.2	(-0.6) – 5.9	(-1.0) – 4.8
Average phosphorus reduction (lbs./acre)	0.99	0.63	1.91	0.88
Total phosphorus reduction (in pounds)	357	530	1,081	1,106

Table 2 Number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions through the LDMI program

The average reduction in phosphorus loss varies from a low of two-thirds of a pound to almost two pounds. The total predicted reduction in phosphorus loss in 2016 was 1,106 pounds.

There were eight farms that cooperated in the low disturbance deep tillage with the planting of a cover crop program in 2016. These eight farms planted a total of 730 acres with about 378 acres cost shared. The way the tillage systems were reported on these eight farms made it impossible to assess how the changes in tillage affected potential phosphorus loss. Therefore, these farms were credited with reducing phosphorus loss strictly based on the cover crop. Based on the data generated in the combination of practices, we can say that these fields had an average phosphorus reduction of around 2.23 pounds per acre. **Subtracting the 1.48 pound average for cover crops from the combined data (2.23) we can assume that the low disturbance deep tillage with the planting of a cover crop generated a savings of 730 acres * 0.75 lbs. / acre = 548 lb. reduction in phosphorus loss.**

Table 3 shows a comparison of the number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions achieved through the **cover crop program** from 2013 to 2016.

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016
Farms	20	37	35	37
Fields	80	53	160	290
Acres	2,436	4,732	4,908	5,851
Range in P reduction	(-1.1) to 6.2	(-1.1) to 6.2	-1.0 to 13.4	(-1.9) to 10.7
Average	0.71 lbs / acre	0.78 lbs / acre	1.76 lbs / acre	1.48 lbs / acre
Total P reduction	1,730 lbs	3,691 lbs	6,572 lbs	7,130 lbs

Table 3 Number of farms, acres and phosphorus reductions through the cover crop program

The average reduction in phosphorus loss varies from a low of 0.7 pounds to almost 1.8 pounds with a 2016 average of 1.48. The total predicted reduction in phosphorus loss was 7,130 pounds in 2016.

In 2016 YPF decided to provide two bonus payments for farms that either combined two practices on a field (one practice was always cover crops while the second practice was either strip tillage or LDMI); or implemented practices for more than three years on a field. In 2016 the average predicted phosphorus reduction for combining two practices was **2.23 pounds per acre**. This year's data set contained 35 fields totaling 1,432 acres. Since some of this reduction in phosphorus is included in the individual practice data sets, individual fields were evaluated looking at the difference from the individual practice to the combination of practices.

The data for continuing a practice for three years or longer includes 22 fields and 406.5 acres in 2016. These fields varied in the number of years of a practice continued **but the average reduction in just the last year for fields with 3 years continued implementation of one practice was 1.03 lbs./acre**. The average for multiple years of multiple practices was 0.18 lbs./acre. This data set supports the recommendation that farmers should consider planting cover crops on fields that are suitable for continuous corn silage. In those cases the cover crop provides both a water quality benefit and a soil quality benefit.

2016 Summary of Predicted Phosphorus Reduction

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Average P Reduction</u>	<u>Total Predicted P Reduction</u>
➤ Strip Tillage	0.89	703 lbs
➤ LDMI	0.88	1,106 lbs
➤ LDDT + cover crop	0.73	548 lbs
➤ Cover Crops	1.48	7,130 lbs
➤ Headland Stacking Manure	2.13	107 lbs
➤ Combined Practices	2.23	1,085 lbs
➤ Multiple Years of Adoption – 1	1.03	297 lbs
➤ Multiple Years of Adoption - 2	0.18	<u>191 lbs</u>
	Total	11,167 lbs

Introduction

In the past the Yahara Pride Farms (YPF) phosphorus reduction report began with an overview of the cost share programs offered and then went immediately into the data. As we complete the pilot project phase and enter the implementation stage of the Adaptive Management Program there are a few things that need to be stated in this introduction.

*First and foremost – Thank you to all the farmers in the Yahara Pride Watershed program for working with Yahara Pride Farms and Yahara WINS to implement practices that reduce the potential for phosphorus loss to the streams and rivers that contribute water to the Yahara Lakes. The farmers in this area continue to be supportive of Yahara Pride Farms and continue to seek alternative farming systems and conservation practices that reduce phosphorus and sediment loss. This report shows how hard each and every one of you works to keep soil and nutrients on your fields and out of our water. **Farmers are the heart and soul of the Yahara Pride Farms program and we thank you!***

Yahara Pride Farms and the farmers in the Yahara Watershed are also indebted to “The Yahara Watershed Improvement Network (Yahara WINS), led by MMSD”, which began in 2012 as a four-year pilot project to reduce phosphorus loads and meet more stringent water quality standards established by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). This groundbreaking program employs watershed adaptive management, a strategy in which all sources of phosphorus pollution in an area work together to meet water quality goals. This strategy is more effective and less expensive than the sources working separately on individual solutions. **Partners in Yahara WINS include cities, villages, towns, wastewater treatment plants, agricultural producers, environmental groups and others.**

Thanks also to the businesses and organizations who provide support (both financial and in-kind), to Yahara Pride Farms. It takes people and money to offer this cost share, certification and outreach and education events, and we wouldn't be able to do it without your support. This farmer-led watershed approach has become a model for others around the state because we have been able to offer programs and events based on your support. Thank you for being an important of the Yahara Pride Farms program.

Finally, thanks to the members of the Yahara Pride Farms board of directors and all the staff who have worked with us over the past 4 – 5 years. Your guidance and support have shaped this program and we cannot thank you enough for the time you committed to this organization.

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Programs offered in 2016

During 2016 the Yahara Pride Farms (YPF) board of directors continued operating and implementing a number of agricultural conservation programs designed to reduce the loss of phosphorus within the Yahara Watershed. There were five major incentive programs offered within the watershed in 2016 including:

1. Strip tillage,
2. Low Disturbance Manure Injection,
3. Low Disturbance Deep Tillage and Cover Crop,
4. Cover Crop Assistance, and
5. Headland Stacking of Manure / Composting

In addition to these five programs, YPF offered bonus payments to farms that implemented a combination of practices on the same field (two or more practices). They also provided a bonus payment on fields where a practice had been implemented for greater than three years consecutive years. Each of these programs offers unique benefits both from a phosphorus reduction standpoint as well as educational and confidence/trust building within the watershed.

This report provides an update on the number of acres, fields and farms involved in each of these programs. The Wisconsin Phosphorus Index (P Index) is a model that estimates the pounds of phosphorus prevented from reaching the nearest waterbody. The nearest waterbody would in most cases be streams and rivers. These estimates of the pounds of phosphorus prevented from reaching a waterbody can then be used (with the appropriate delivery factors) to estimate the pounds of phosphorus prevented from entering the Madison chain of Lakes.

1. Strip Tillage:

Strip-tillage is a conservation system that offers an alternative to no-till, full-till and minimum tillage. It combines the soil drying and warming benefits of conventional tillage with the soil-protecting advantages of no-till by disturbing only the portion of the soil that is to contain the seed row (similar to zone tillage). Each row that has been strip-tilled is usually about eight to ten inches wide. The system still allows for some soil water contact that could cause erosion, however, the amount of potential erosion on a strip-tilled field would be lower than compared to the amount of erosion on an intensively tilled field. Compared to intensive tillage, strip tillage saves considerable time, fuel and money. Another benefit is that strip-tillage conserves more soil moisture compared to intensive tillage systems. However, compared to no-till, strip-tillage may in some cases reduce soil moisture and increase the potential for soil loss.

Strip-tillage is performed with a special piece of equipment and the YPF's strip till program originally assisted with the rental of a strip till machine to determine if this farming system fit into a farms overall farming system and management. In the first two years of the Yahara cost share program a

unique partnership was formed between the Yahara Pride Farms Inc. and Kalscheur Implement. Since 2015, Kalscheur Implement was no longer able to provide a strip tillage machine, so the YPF's board dropped the rental of a machine and approved a payment of \$15/acre for up to 50 acres for farmers wanting to experiment with strip tillage (maximum payment of \$750 per farm).

The data contained in table 4 (page 8) shows the soil types, slope, soil test phosphorus and the changes in the estimated annual phosphorus index from all fields that were tilled using a strip till machine. There were four farms that cooperated in the strip tillage program and these operations were spread out around a wide area of the Yahara watershed. As can be seen in the table, strip tillage was conducted on 21 different fields with a large variation of soil types, soil test and slopes. This year the number of acres planted using a strip tillage system was about 917.

Running the SNAP calculations for each field is important because as demonstrated in the table, assuming that phosphorus reductions directly correspond to slope is not an accurate assumption. Based on the information gathered over the four years of this project, the factors that influence phosphorus loss (or reductions in phosphorus loss) include slope, tillage prior and after strip tillage, soil test levels, manure management program and the crop rotation. All of these factors play a large role in predicted phosphorus loss.

The 2016 strip tillage program was conducted on 916.7 acres in the Yahara Watershed. However, the vast majority of these acres were not cost shared by the Yahara Pride Farms program.

➤ Total acres stripped tilled	916.7
○ YPF cost share acres	165.0

Acres of strip tillage done without financial assistance = 751.7 acres

An evaluation of the estimated phosphorus savings by changing farming systems from what the farm was currently using to strip tillage shows a wide range of data. Switching from whatever the current tillage system was to strip tillage had a range in the reduction of phosphorus loss from 0.0 to 5.7 lbs phosphorus per acre. **For 2016 the data shows that in 19 of the 21 fields, switching from the old farming system to strip tillage reduced phosphorus loss.**

As demonstrated in table 4, there are times when switching to strip-tillage had a very minor affect on phosphorus loss. Most of the fields with minor reductions in phosphorus loss had slopes of 4% or less. On other fields and conditions the change to strip tillage had a dramatic affect, the three fields with the greatest reduction in predicted phosphorus loss had slopes of 9%, 9% and 16%. A closer evaluation indicates that many times changing tillage systems can reduce particulate phosphorus loss while increasing soluble P losses. The challenge is to determine when a change in the tillage system has the greatest positive impact on water quality.

Table 4 Changes in P loss from strip tillage

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Table 5 shows the difference between the changes in particulate phosphorous loss (first column) and soluble phosphorous loss (third column). As you can see in each field particulate phosphorus loss decreased when adopting strip tillage, with changes ranging from 0.1 – 5.7 pounds per acre. Changes in soluble phosphorus loss ranged from (-0.5) to 0.5 with:

- 10 of 21 being negative (increasing losses),
- 6 of 21 being zero (no affect), and
- 5 of 21 being positive (decreasing losses).

For the 2016 strip tillage program:

- ✓ Overall the average reduction in phosphorus loss was 0.89 pounds.
- ✓ For the 916.7 acres in the program the risk of phosphorus loss was reduced 703.4 pounds by adopting strip tillage.
- ✓ The cost share program for strip tillage was \$15 / acre for less than or equal to 50 acres.
- ✓ Three cooperators had more than 50 acres, so their payment was \$750 while the fourth cooperator had 15 acres (\$225).
- ✓ At \$15/acre with phosphorus reduction of 0.89 pounds per acre the cost per pound of P loss reduction was \$16.85.

Annual P ₂ O ₅ change per acre	Annual P ₂ O ₅ change for field	Annual P ₂ O ₅ change per acre	Annual P ₂ O ₅ change for field
0.3	10.1	-0.3	-10.1
0.4	3.6	-0.4	-3.6
0.1	9.9	0.0	0.0
0.2	1.4	-0.1	-0.7
0.2	24.2	0.0	0.0
0.2	1.7	0.1	0.8
0.8	22.0	-0.5	-13.8
0.6	14.1	-0.3	-7.1
0.1	3.8	0.3	11.5
0.5	27.5	0.0	0.0
0.1	2.7	0.5	13.4
0.5	19.6	0.1	3.9
0.7	38.6	0.0	0.0
0.9	30.6	-0.1	-3.4
0.9	51.3	-0.1	-5.7
0.8	91.2	0.0	0.0
1.0	95.7	-0.1	-9.6
1.1	6.5	-0.2	-1.2
1.3	10.9	0.2	1.7
3.3	93.7	-0.1	-2.8
5.7	171.0	0.0	0.0
0.94	Average	-0.05	Average
Total P ₂ O ₅ Reduction		Total P ₂ O ₅ Reduction	
-703.4		-703.4	

Table 5 Change in Particulate versus Soluble P

Switching from no-till to strip-till may increase the potential for particulate phosphorus loss while having minimal impact on soluble phosphorus losses (depending on manure applications). Considering that strip tillage normally replaces more aggressive tillage (chisel plowing, cultivation, etc.), it seems reasonable that most of the advantage to changing to this tillage system will be in the reduction of soil loss.

Looking at the data based on phosphorus reduction for each reach of stream is in table 6 (below).

Stream Reach	Acres	Percentage of Acres	Total Phosphorus Reduction
64	491.7	53.64%	505.3 pounds
69	425.0	46.36%	198.1 pounds

Table 6 Phosphorus reductions by stream reach

2. Low Disturbance Manure Injection:

The northern portion of the Yahara Watershed is an area with high concentrations of livestock and therefore a great deal of manure. Manure is either incorporated into the soil using a number of different tillage implements (chisel plow, disk, or field cultivator) or it is applied to the soil's surface and not incorporated. Surface applications of manure have been shown to increase nitrogen and phosphorus runoff to rivers and streams, while injection/incorporation places manure below the surface where it doesn't interact with runoff water during storms. However, on steep slopes injection/incorporation of manure can make the soil more susceptible to erosion.

For many livestock operations in the Yahara, manure incorporation is a standard practice. Traditional incorporation methods move a great deal of soil and increase the potential for soil erosion. Field evaluations conducted by the Yahara Pride Certification Program during the spring of 2013 and 2014 identified reducing soil erosion as a high priority. Since much of the tillage was conducted to incorporate manure, a system of incorporating manure with minimal soil disturbance needed to be implemented in the watershed. Minimum disturbance equipment also works well with no-till farming systems and allows farmers to experiment with new methods of preserving nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium to save on fertilizer costs. In addition to the economic benefits, improved manure utilization benefits the environment by ensuring efficient nutrient use and improving soil and water quality.

Yahara Pride Farms was one of the first groups in Wisconsin to experiment with vertical manure injection (VMI). VMI is a farming system that incorporates manure into the soil with minimal soil disturbance. Since YPF began using VMI there have been a number of companies that have made equipment to incorporate manure with low soil disturbance. These systems often use a single large fluted coulter to cut crop residue and open a channel in the soil surface for manure placement. Significantly less soil disturbance occurs with this process than with either chisel or chisel/disk manure incorporation systems. Since 2013, YPF has been encouraging farmers to try low disturbance manure injection (LDMI) systems. Dane County now offers cost share to farmers and custom manure applicators to upgrade their manure application equipment to LDMI.

In 2016 the manure application program includes any manure application equipment defined as low disturbance (Low Disturbance Manure Injection – LDMI). Participants in the cost share program were either farmers who had purchased LDMI equipment, or hired a custom operator who had LDMI equipment. In 2016, YPF had **seven farms (up from 4 in 2015)** participate in the LDMI program. The cost share program was modified to provide \$20 per acre with a 100-acre maximum payment (\$2,000 maximum). The seven farms used the equipment on **76 separate fields** (up from 32), which **totaled 1,203 acres** (up from 566 tillable acres). There was additional manure applied using this equipment, but some of that land was out of the Yahara Watershed. The data contained in table 7 are from the fields within the Yahara Watershed.

Table 7 Changes in phosphorus loss from the adoption of low disturbance manure injection

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC					
1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC					
2			2016 Phosphorus Report - LDMI																															
3						Without LDMI							With LDMI																					
Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Test P PPM	Rotest Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotest Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field	Calculated Soil loss for the field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field	Calculated Soil loss for the field	Critical Soil	Soil Symbol	Soil used	Yahara Stream Reach field is located												
4	8.1	Griswold	GWd2	16%	21	1	2	2.2	0.1	1	1	0.6	0	1.7	13.8	4	1.5	4	0.6	Griswold	GWd2	GWd2	64											
5	7.9	Griswold	GWd2	16%	27	2	3	2.4	0.1	1	1	0.6	0	1.9	15.0	4	4	1.9	0.9	Griswold	GWd2	GWd2	64											
6	15.2	Piano	PnB	4%	89	1	1	0.7	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.5	5	0.5	5	0.5	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
7	3.0	Piano	PnB	4%	74	1	1	0.7	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.3	0.1	3.1	5	0.5	5	0.5	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
8	12.2	St Charles	ScB	4%	75	1	1	0.8	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.3	0.2	2.4	5	0.6	5	0.6	St Charles	ScB	ScB	64											
9	16.8	St Charles	ScB	4%	53	1	1	0.8	0.1	1	1	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.7	5	1	5	1	St Charles	ScB	ScB	64											
10	14.8	Huntsville	HuB	4%	59	1	2	1.4	0.2	1	1	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.4	5	1.2	5	1.1	Huntsville	HuB	HuB	64											
11	28.0	Piano	PnB	4%	90	4	2	1.8	0.2	3	2	1.4	0.4	0.3	8.4	5	3.2	5	3.1	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
12	28.0	Piano	PnB	4%	64	3	2	1.7	0.2	3	2	1.3	0.3	0.3	8.4	5	2.7	5	1.4	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
13	16.0	Troxel	VtB	3%	101	2	2	1.4	0.7	1	1	0.7	0.7	0.7	11.2	5	1	5	0.5	Troxel	VtB	VtB	66											
14	10.0	Troxel	TtB	4%	128	2	3	2.6	0.6	1	1	1.1	0.6	1.5	15.0		1.6		0.6															
15	14.0	Kidder	KdC2	9%	91	1	1	0.3	0.3	0	0	0.1	0.3	0.2	2.8	5	0.5	5	0.2	Kidder	KdC2	KdC2	66											
16	6.7	Piano	PnB	4%	86	4	8	7.8	0.6	4	8	6.8	0.9	0.7	4.7	5	3.2	5	3.1	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
17	12.4	Piano	PnB	4%	48	4	7	6.4	0.3	4	6	5.4	0.4	0.9	17.3	5	3.5	5	2.9	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
18	12.4	Piano	PnB	9%	36	3	3	2.8	0.2	3	3	2.3	0.3	0.4	5.0	5	3	5	3.3	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2	64											
19	13.0	Piano	PnB	9%	44	6	12	11.2	0.4	6	10	9.7	0.5	1.4	18.2	5	5.1	5	4.9	Piano	PnC2	PnC2	64											
20	15.2	Piano	PnB	9%	51	2	3	2.5	0.5	2	3	1.9	0.7	0.4	6.1	5	4.8	5	4.5	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2	64											
21	4.2	Dodge	DnC2	9%	36	1	2	1.4	0.4	1	2	1.6	0.6	-0.4	-1.7	5	3.2	5	3.5	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2	64											
22	8.0	Warsaw	WrB	4%	177	8	10	9.5	1	8	10	8.4	1.5	0.6	4.8	3	2.7	3	2.6	Warsaw	WrB	WrB	64											
23	9.8	Piano	PoB	4%	170	8	12	10.5	1.1	7	11	9.2	1.6	0.8	7.8	4	3.3	4	3.2	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
24	4.5	Piano	PoB	4%	96	6	6	5.8	0.6	5	6	5	0.9	0.5	2.3	5	3.2	5	3.2	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
25	14.5	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	132	8	15	14.4	0.6	8	14	13.2	0.9	0.9	13.1	5	6.1	5	6.3	Piano	PnC2	PnC2	64											
26	7.3	Piano	PoB	9%	115	6	11	10.2	0.5	6	10	9.1	0.8	0.8	5.8	5	8.3	5	8.1	Piano	PnC2	PnC2	64											
27	13.9	Troxel	TtB	4%	113	7	8	7.8	0.6	7	8	6.8	0.9	0.7	9.7	4	6.2	4	6.1	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
28	12.0	Piano	PoB	4%	210	8	11	9.7	1.1	8	10	8.7	1.6	0.5	6.0	4	5.2	4	5	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
29	21.3	Griswold	GWB	9%	48	6	8	7.5	0.2	6	7	6.1	0.4	1.2	25.6	3	6.8	3	6.5	Dresden	DSc2	DSc2	64											
30	20.3	Piano	PoA	4%	60	5	5	5.1	0.3	5	5	4	0.5	0.9	18.3	4	5.2	4	5	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
31	28.1	Dodge	DnB	9%	27	7	6	5.4	0.2	6	5	4.7	0.4	0.5	14.1	5	6.2	5	6.1	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2	64											
32	25.5	Piano	PnB	9%	74	2	3	2.6	0.4	2	3	2.1	0.6	0.3	7.7	5	9.6	5	9.4	McHenry	PnC2	PnC2	64											
33	47.9	Piano	PoB	4%	84	5	7	6.2	0.4	4	6	5.4	0.6	0.6	28.7	4	4.4	4	4.3	Piano	PoB	PoB	64											
34	16.5	Piano	PnB	8%	79	3	4	3.9	0.5	3	4	3.5	0.7	0.2	3.3	5	3.3	5	3.2	Griswold	GWC	GWC	64											
35	19.5	Piano	PnB	8%	84	7	6	5.2	0.5	7	5	4.3	0.6	0.8	15.6	5	6.3	5	6.1	Griswold	GWC	GWC	64											
36	14.9	Piano	PnC2	9%	116	4	3	2.6	0.4	3	1	0.9	0.4	1.7	25.3	5	2.7	5	2.3	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2	64											
37	17.1	Dodge	DnC2	28%	98	5	7	6.5	0.6	5	7	6.1	0.5	0.5	8.6	5	4.3	5	4.2	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2	64											
38	22.7	St Charles	ScB	9%	43	5	5	4.7	0.3	5	4	4	0.2	0.8	18.2	5	3.7	5	3.7	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2	64											
39	22.7	Ringwood	RnB	9%	80	6	3	2.6	0.5	6	3	2.8	0.4	-0.1	-2.3	5	5.3	5	5.6	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2	64											
40	9.8	Troxel	TtB	9%	108	3	4	3.4	0.5	3	2	1.8	0.4	2.4	23.5	5	2.5	5	2.1	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2	64											
41	12.2	Dodge	DnC2	9%	62	6	2	1.3	0.3	6	2	1.2	0.3	-0.3	-3.7	5	5.5	5	5.5	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2	64											
42	10.3	Piano	PnB	16%	106	4	4	4	0.3	3	2	1.5	0.4	2.4	24.7	5	3.2	5	2.8	St Charles	ScD2	ScD2	64											
43	6.4	Piano	PnB	28%	66	6	9	8.6	0.4	5	7	6.5	0.3	2.2	14.1	5	6	5	5.6	Kidder	KtC2	KtC2	64											
44	18.0	Kidder	KdC2	9%	82	2	2	1.3	0.2	2	1	1	0.4	0.2	3.6	5	1.3	5	1.2	Kidder	KdC2	KdC2	64											
45	23.5	Piano	PnB	9%	96	5	4	3.8	0.5	5	4	3.4	0.5	0.4	9.4	5	4.4	5	4.3	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2	64											
46	11.0	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	96	3	3	2.3	0.4	3	2	1.8	0.5	0.4	4.4	5	2.7	5	2.6	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2	64											
47	29.9	Piano	PnB	16%	76	8	11	10.8	0.4	7	9	8.1	0.5	2.6	77.7	5	7.2	5	6.6	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2	64											
48	11.5	Griswold	GWd2	15%	53	3	5	4.9	0.2	3	4	4.1	0.3	0.7	8.1	4	2.3	4	2.1	Griswold	GWd2	GWd2	64											
49	38.8	Piano	PnB	4%	84	2	2	1.8	0.3	2	2	1.3	0.4	0.4	15.5	5	2.0	5	2.0	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											
50	15.2	Ringwood	RnB	4%	45	2	2	1.7	0.3	2	2	1.4	0.3	0.3	4.6	5	1.5	5	1.5	Piano	PnB	PnB	64											

Table 7 cont. Changes in phosphorus loss from the adoption of low disturbance manure injection

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AC		
1				2016 Phosphorus Report - LDMI																										
2						Without LDMI					With LDMI										Without LDMI					With LDMI				
3	Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P PPM	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field	Calculated Soil loss for the field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field	Calculated Soil loss for the field					Critical Soil	Soil Symbol	Soil used	Yahara Stream Reach field is located			
51	11.8	Ringwood	Rnc2	9%	20	4	3	2.6	0.1	3	2	1.8	0.1	0.8	9.4	5	2.9	5	2.5	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
52	17.5	Dodge	Dnc2	9%	15	2	4	3.5	0.2	2	2	1.7	0.1	1.9	33.3	5	2.5	5	1.6	Dodge	Dnc2	Dnc2					64			
53	20.0	Ringwood	Rnc2	9%	56	3	1	0.5	0.4	3	1	0.5	0.3	0.1	2.0	5	3.1	5	3.1	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
54	26.0	Ringwood	Rnc2	15%	14	2	2	2.1	0.2	1	2	1.6	0.1	0.6	15.6	4	2.0	4	1.9	Griswold	GWD2	GWD2					64			
55	20.0	Ringwood	Rnc2	9%	14	1	3	2.5	0.1	1	1	1	0	1.6	32.0	5	1.5	5	0.8	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
56	34.0	Ringwood	Rnc2	9%	14	2	2	1.7	0.1	1	1	1.2	0.1	0.5	17.0	5	1.9	5	1.9	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
57	35.0	Plano	PnB	9%	88	5	3	2.9	0.4	5	3	2.5	0.4	0.4	14.0	5	5.0	5	5.0	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
58	19.7	Ringwood	RnB	8%	56	1	1	0.6	0.2	1	1	0.4	0.2	0.2	3.9	5	0.7	5	0.6	Griswold	GWC	GWC					64			
59	18.2	Griswold	GWB	4%	42	1	1	0.7	0.8	1	1	0.4	0.2	0.9	16.4	5	0.5	5	0.5	Griswold	GWB	GWB					64			
60	10.0	Rockton	ROD2	21%	55	2	2	1.3	0.7	2	1	1.0	0.2	0.8	8.0	2	1.4	2	1.5	Rockton	ROD2	ROD2					64			
61	24.7	Troxel	TrB	2%	131	7	9	8.0	1.4	6	6	5.2	0.8	3.4	84.0	5	3.2	5	3.2	Troxel	TrB	TrB					64			
62	2.9	Kidder	KrE2	12%	76	3	4	2.6	1.0	3	2	1.6	0.3	1.7	4.9	5	2.1	5	2.1	Kidder	KrE2	KrE2					64			
63	22.5	Radford	RaA	2%	100	8	9	6.5	2.7	7	5	4.4	1.0	3.8	85.5	5	2.9	5	2.9	Radford	RaA	RaA					64			
64	4.0	Kidder	KrE2	28%	57	4	5	4.7	0.8	3	3	2.6	0.2	2.7	10.8	5	4.0	5	4	Kidder	KrE2	KrE2					64			
65	31.1	Ringwood	Rnc2	9%	75	5	12	10.1	1.5	4	7	6.3	0.5	4.8	149.3	5	3.4	5	3.4	Ringwood	Rnc2	Rnc2					64			
66	14.0	Plano	Pnc2	9%	82	5	5	3.6	1.1	5	3	2.2	0.4	2.1	29.4	5	3.4	5	3.4	Plano	Pnc2	Pnc2					64			
67	14.0	Elburn	EB	3%	69	6	4	2.4	1.4	6	2	1.7	0.5	1.6	22.4	5	3.2	5	3.2	Elburn	EB	EB					64			
68	10.0	Plano	PnB	2%	92	5	4	2.3	1.3	4	2	1.6	0.5	1.5	15.0	5	2.1	5	2.1	Plano	PnB	PnB					64			
69	20.7	McHenry	MdD2	10%	56	2	2	1.8	0.5	2	1	1.4	0.1	0.8	16.6	5	1.8	5	2	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2					64			
70	9.9	Plano	PnB	4%	56	6	4	2.8	1.1	6	2	1.8	0.2	1.9	18.8	5	4.2	5	4.3	Plano	PnB	PnB					64			
71	4.5	McHenry	MdD2	9%	55	4	3	2.5	0.5	4	3	2.3	0.3	0.4	1.8	5	2.2	5	2.3	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2					64			
72	4.7	McHenry	MdD2	9%	29	2	2	1.2	0.3	2	1	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.9	5	1.2	5	1.2	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2					64			
73	4.1	McHenry	MdD2	9%	23	2	1	1.2	0.3	2	1	1.0	0.1	0.4	1.6	5	1.2	5	1.2	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2					64			
74	5.3	Dodge	Dnc2	9%	72	2	2	1.3	0.6	2	1	1.1	0.4	0.4	2.1	5	1.3	5	1.3	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2					64			
75	5.4	Kidder	KdD2	12%	25	2	1	1.1	0.2	2	1	0.8	0.2	0.3	1.6	5	1.9	5	2.1	Kidder	KdD2	KdD2					64			
76	2.1	Seaton	Smc2	9%	32	2	1	1.2	0.2	2	1	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.8	5	2.0	5	2.1	Seaton	Smc2	Smc2					64			
77	4.9	McHenry	MdC2	12%	25	1	0	0.3	0.1	1	0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.5	5	1.1	5	1.1	Kidder	KdD2	KdD2					64			
78	18.4	Seaton	Smb	12%	37	3	2	1.8	0.4	3	2	1.7	0.2	0.3	5.5	5	2.5	5	2.6	Kidder	KdD2	KdD2					64			
79	1.6	Whalan	WXD2	12%	27	2	1	0.3	0.2	2	1	0.7	0.1	-0.3	-0.5	5	2.0	5	2.3	Whalan	WXD2	WXD2					64			
80																														
81	74	Fields																												
				Average Soil Test P	71.59																									
82	1,202.8	Total Acres												Average Annual P Change/Acre	0.88	Total Phosphorus Reduction	1,105.7			Average change in Soil Loss	3.04	Acres in Stream Reach	62	0.0						
83														4.8						Greatest increase in soil loss	9.4	63	0.0							
84														-0.4	Maximum					Greatest decrease in soil loss	0.2	64	1,162.8	96.67%						
85															Minimum							65	0.0							
86																				# Fields increasing soil loss	11	66	40.0	3.44%						
87																				# Fields with no change	25	69	0							
88																				# Fields decreasing soil loss	38	Total	1,202.8							
89																														
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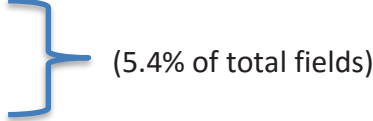
The estimates for the reductions in phosphorus loss were conducted using crop rotation, tillage practices and manure application data provided by farmers and their crop consultants in the watershed.

Table 7 (pages 11 – 12) contains the SNAP data collected from these farms and shows the information for all of the cooperating farms. This is a significant increase in acres over what was done in 2015. There is still significant interest in using this equipment and over the past few years a few farmers and custom operators have purchased the equipment for use within the watershed.

The average reduction in the risk of phosphorus loss for the **LDMI program was 0.88 pounds of P per acre, with a range in reduction from (-1.0) to 4.8 pounds.**

As with strip tillage the question that arises is how do the reductions in particulate versus soluble P compare? Table 8 on page 14 shows the differences in particulate versus soluble P loss for the 76 fields in the program. The as demonstrated in the data, the vast majority of phosphorus reduction comes from particulate losses (93%).

Looking at the reductions of particulate phosphorus loss (table 8) contains the following information:

- 1 field with a (-0.4) change in particulate P loss,
 - 2 fields with a (-0.2) change in particulate P loss,
 - 1 field with a 0.0 change in particulate P loss,
 - 20 fields with a 0.1 -0.4 change in particulate P loss (27% of total fields),
 - 22 fields with a 0.5 – 0.9 change in particulate P loss (29.7% of total fields), and
 - 28 fields with ≥ 1.0 change in particulate P loss (37.9% of total fields).
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Looking at the reductions of soluble phosphorus loss (table 8) contains the following information:

- 3 fields with a (-0.5) change in soluble P loss, (4.1%)
- 5 fields with a (-0.3) change in soluble P loss, (6.8%)
- 10 fields with a (-0.2) change in soluble P loss, (13.5%)
- 13 fields with a (-0.1) change in soluble P loss, (17.6%)
- 14 fields with a 0.0 change in soluble P loss, (18.9%)
- 18 fields with a 0.1 -0.4 change in soluble P loss, (24.3%)
- 9 fields with a 0.5 – 0.9 change in soluble P loss, (12.2%)
- 2 fields with ≥ 1.0 change in soluble P loss. (2.7%)

A review of the data in table 7 shows that the overall affect of implementing LDMI equipment produced an **average reduction in predicted soil loss of 0.16 tons/acre**. Of the 76 fields in the program 11 saw increases in predicted soil loss, 25 had no change and 40 were predicted to have less soil loss with soil loss decreases ranging from 0.1 to 3.1 tons per acre. These losses were highly dependent on the slope of the field and the application methods replaced by LDMI.

Table 8 Change in Particulate versus soluble phosphorus losses with LDMI for each field

2016 Phosphorus Report - LDMI			
Particulate* Annual P* change per acre	Annual P* change for field	Soluble* Annual P* change per acre	Annual P* change for field
1.6	13.0	0.1	0.8
1.8	14.2	0.1	0.8
0.2	3.0	-0.1	-1.5
0.2	6.2	-0.1	-3.1
0.3	3.7	-0.1	-1.2
0.3	5.0	-0.2	-3.4
0.4	5.9	-0.1	-1.5
0.7	11.2	0.0	0.0
1.5	15.0	0.0	0.0
0.2	2.8	0.0	0.0
1.0	6.7	-0.3	-2.0
1.0	19.2	-0.1	-1.9
0.5	6.2	-0.1	-1.2
1.5	19.5	-0.1	-1.3
0.6	9.1	-0.2	-3.0
-0.2	-0.8	-0.2	-0.8
1.1	8.8	-0.5	-4.0
1.3	12.7	-0.5	-4.9
0.8	3.6	-0.3	-1.4
1.2	17.4	-0.3	-4.4
1.1	8.0	-0.3	-2.2
1.0	13.9	-0.3	-4.2
1.0	12.0	-0.5	-6.0
1.4	29.8	-0.2	-4.3
1.1	22.3	-0.2	-4.1
0.7	19.7	-0.2	-5.6
0.5	12.8	-0.2	-5.1
0.8	38.3	-0.2	-9.6
0.4	6.6	-0.2	-3.3
0.9	17.6	-0.1	-2.0
1.7	25.3	0.0	0.0
0.4	6.8	0.1	1.7
0.7	15.9	0.1	2.3
-0.2	-4.5	0.1	2.3
1.6	15.7	0.1	1.0
0.1	1.2	0.0	0.0
2.5	25.8	-0.1	-1.0
2.1	13.4	0.1	0.6
0.4	7.2	-0.2	-3.6
0.4	9.4	0.0	0.0

2016 Phosphorus Report - LDMI			
Particulate Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Soluble Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field
0.5	5.5	-0.1	-1.1
2.7	80.7	-0.1	-3.0
0.8	9.2	-0.1	-1.2
0.5	19.4	-0.1	-3.9
0.3	4.6	0.0	0.0
0.8	9.4	0.0	0.0
1.8	31.5	0.1	1.8
0.0	0.0	0.1	2.0
0.5	13.0	0.1	2.6
1.5	30.0	0.1	2.0
0.5	17.0	0.0	0.0
0.4	14.0	0.0	0.0
0.2	3.9	0.0	0.0
0.3	5.5	0.6	10.9
0.3	3.0	0.5	5.0
2.8	69.2	0.6	14.8
1.0	2.9	0.7	2.0
2.1	47.3	1.7	38.3
2.1	8.4	0.6	2.4
3.8	118.2	1.0	31.1
1.4	19.6	0.7	9.8
0.7	9.8	0.9	12.6
0.7	7.0	0.8	8.0
0.4	8.3	0.4	8.3
1.0	9.9	0.9	8.9
0.2	0.9	0.2	0.9
0.1	0.5	0.1	0.5
0.2	0.8	0.2	0.8
0.2	1.1	0.2	1.1
0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0
0.4	0.8	0.0	0.0
0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0
0.1	1.8	0.2	3.7
-0.4	-0.6	0.1	0.2
0.85	Average	0.07	Average
Total P Reduction	1,034.2	Total P Reduction	81.4

Key points in this data set include:

- ✓ **The estimated annual phosphorus loss was reduced by (-1.0) to 4.8 lbs/acre through this manure application system, with the 2016 average reduction of 0.88 lbs per acre.**
- ✓ **Based on the 2016 data, the LDMI cost share program reduced phosphorus loss by 1,106 lbs.**
- ✓ **The cost of reducing the risk of phosphorus loss through LDMI was \$20 per acre divided by 0.88 pounds of P per acres = \$22.73 / pound.**
- ✓ **Total acres with manure applied with the LDMI system = 1,203 acres**
- ✓ **Total acres cost shared = 593 acres**
- ✓ **Acres planted without cost share in watershed = 610 acres**

Looking at the data based on phosphorus reduction for each reach of stream is in table 9 (below).

Stream Reach	Acres	Percentage of Acres	Total Phosphorus Reduction
66	40.0	3.33%	29.0 pounds
64	1,163	96.67%	1,076.7 pounds

Table 9 Phosphorus reductions by stream reach

3. Low Disturbance Deep Tillage and Cover Crop:

The low disturbance deep tillage and cover crop program was offered in 2016 because of the wet fall and the very high potential for soil compaction done on fields harvested during high soil moisture conditions. The program offered cost share assistance to farmers willing to implement deep tillage practices that were also low disturbance. The goal was to reduce the potential for aggressive deep tillage conducted within the watershed, which would increase the potential for soil erosion. The cost share program offered a payment of \$55 per acre with a 50 acre maximum for a total possible payment of \$2,750 per operation.

Based on the information contained in the SNAP+ program it was impossible to determine the impact of low disturbance deep tillage verses other methods of deep tillage. This tillage system is not contained in the SNAP+ so farmers and crop consultants had to identify a tillage system that produces similar results. There are several ways of doing this so identification of the fields selected for this cost share practices was not possible.

However, the 2016 YPF cost share dataset does contain a large number of fields where two practices were done on the same field (combined practices). The combined practices data set consists of fields that had cover crops as one practice, and then either strip tillage or LDMI as the second practice. Both strip tillage and LDMI are very similar to low disturbance deep tillage so the average reduction in phosphorus loss from the combined data set was used as basis for the low disturbance deep tillage and cover crop program.

The average reduction in predicted phosphorus loss from the implementation of two practices was 2.23 pounds/acre compared to the average reduction from cover crops of 1.48. Therefore, the impact of either low disturbance manure injection or strip tillage in combination with planting a cover crop reduced phosphorus loss an additional 0.75 pounds per acre.

The low disturbance deep tillage and cover crop cost share program had **8 participants** who implemented the practices on a total of **730 acres within the watershed**. The YPF cost share program paid on 378 of these acres with a total expenditure of \$ 20,790. The 730 acres with these practices implemented are included in the cover crop section of this report. Since evaluation of the low disturbance deep tillage verses conventional deep tillage is not possible within the current data set, we used the difference between the averages of combined practices and cover crops of develop a conservative estimate of phosphorus reduction.

Total acres planted with the LDDT plus cover crop system = 730 acres

Total acres cost shared = 378 acres

Acres planted without cost share in watershed = 392 acres

730 acres LDDT * 0.75 lbs. of phosphorus reduced over just cover crops = 547.5 pounds

A more accurate way to express the cost benefit of this program would be to take the total acres times the average of the combined practices and not include the acres in the cover crop portion of the report. **This program resulted in 730 acres * 2.23 pounds/acre = 1,628 lbs of phosphorus. At \$55/acre divided by 2.23 pounds/acre the program resulted in a \$24.66 /pound of phosphorus reduced.**

Of the eight farms participating in the LDDT + cover crop program seven were located in stream reach 64, while the other was in 63. The acres and phosphorus reductions are:

✓ Stream reach 64	650 acres	487.5 pounds of phosphorus
✓ Stream reach 63	80 acres	60 .0 pounds of phosphorus

Cover Crop Assistance Program:

Cover crops are grasses, legumes, small grains or other crops grown between regular grain crop production periods for the purpose of protecting and improving the soil. The most common cover crops are fall-seeded cereals, such as rye, barley or wheat, and fall-seeded annual ryegrass. Late summer-seeded spring oats or spring barley are sometimes used if winterkill is preferred to avoid spring termination by tillage or herbicide. One of the two major reasons for growing winter cover crops is to reduce soil erosion. In the Yahara Watershed a significant amount of the tillable acres has sufficient slope to be at risk for erosion if not adequately protected. Eroding soil particles not only fill in wetlands and streams, but they also carry particulate bound phosphorus to surface water.

Based on the data collected by the Yahara Pride Farms over the years of this cost share program, the use of cover crops is most effective when targeted to specific fields and farming systems. Cover crops have a high potential to reduce phosphorus loss on fields being harvested as corn silage with manure incorporated in the late summer or fall. Research has shown that fields with winter cover incorporated in the spring have 55 percent less water runoff and 50 percent less soil loss annually than do fields with no winter cover. More recent studies show soil losses from corn or soybeans no-tilled into a vigorous growth of rye or wheat to be 90-95 percent less than soil losses from corn and soybeans conventionally tilled.

Yahara Pride Farms began working with cover crops as a demonstration program in 2012. As the program gained publicity and recognition, farmers in the watershed became interested. Joining the program was also very easy, which was also very attractive to farmers. While not all the fields in the watershed planted into cover crops can be attributed to the Yahara Pride Farms program, it is clear that cover crops are becoming a recognized and accepted practice in the watershed. There are still a number of important considerations that need to be evaluated and addressed in regards to cover crops in this region of the state. Some of these include the cover crop species planted, the timing of planting, targeting fields that have the greatest potential for nutrient and sediment loss and targeting farming systems that have the greatest potential for nutrient and sediment loss.

In 2016 YPF worked with local crop consultants to get the information required to calculate the potential environmental benefits of all three cost shared practices. The information on the following pages for the cover crop program shows that in 2016 there were 290 fields with crop rotations and farming systems in the SNAP format. **This represented 100% of the total acres** planted with cover crops through the cost share program, though most of these acres were not cost shared. The wide range of farms and farming systems reflected in the data improves our understanding of the potential for cover crops to reduce phosphorus loss.

Based on the 290 fields, the **estimated annual phosphorus loss was reduced in the range of (-1.9 lbs increased P loss) to 10.7 lbs/acre (decreased P loss) by the adoption of planting cover crops, with an average reduction of 1.48 lbs per acre.**

Based on the field data collected during the 2016 seasons, the cover crop incentive demonstration program reduced phosphorus loss by 7,130 pounds (compared to 6,572 pounds in 2015). This reduction in the potential phosphorus delivery to surface water was an 8.5% increase over the 2015 cover crop program. The average reduction in phosphorus loss was almost 1.5 pounds per acre in 2016 compared to 1.8 lbs/acre in 2015. Care should be used when comparing year-to-year changes in the predictions of phosphorus loss because of changes to the SNAP+ program¹.

This year's phosphorus reduction = 7,130 lbs

Cost per pound of P reduced this year = \$40 / acre divided by 1.5 lbs / acre average phosphorus reduction = \$ 26.67/ lb.

Cost share program sponsored at \$40 / acre for a maximum of 50 acres

Total acres planted using a cover crop system (includes both the cover crop program and the low disturbance deep tillage with a cover crop) = 5,851 acres

Total estimated acres cost shared = 1,903 acres

Acres planted without cost share in watershed = 3,948 acres

32.5% of the acres planted to cover crops on YPF's land were cost shared

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016
Farms	20	37	35	37
Fields	80	53	160	290
Acres	2,382	4,732	4,908	5,851
Range in P reduction	-3.1 to 6.2	-0.6 to 6.2	-1.0 to 13.4	-1.9 to 10.7
Average	1.0 lbs / acre	0.8 lbs / acre	1.8 lbs / acre	1.5 lbs / acre
Total P reduction	1,957 lbs	3,786 lbs	6,572 lbs	7,130 lbs

¹ The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) maintains the soil survey data used by the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation 2 (RUSLE2) to estimate sheet and rill soil erosion. In 2014 NRCS began a national update of soil survey data including Tolerable (T) soil loss values and soil erodibility factors (K). The University of Wisconsin Soils Department annually updates the SNAP+ database to reflect the most current NRCS soil survey data. The edits to the SNAP+ soils database can cause changes to occur in the year-to-year predicted P loss values even when no other change to the farming system occurred. As a result, any comparison of year-to-year P loss values after 2014 must include an evaluation of SNAP+ soils data to determine if any edits occurred.

Table 10 Changes in phosphorus loss from planting cover crops

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC
1	2016 Phosphorus Report - Cover Crops																												
Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P PPM	Without Cover Crop						With Cover Crop						Pounds		Tolerable Soil Loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre	Critical Soil used	Soil Symbol	Soil used	Yahara Stream Reach Field is located			
					Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Without Cover Crops	With Cover Crops	Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre												
2																													
3	1.0	Piano	PRC2	9%	31	1	0	0.1	0.2	1	0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.0		Piano	PRC2	PRC2	64	
4	1.0	Piano	PRC2	9%	81	7.0	14.0	13.1	0.7	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.5	8.5	8.5	6.5	5.0	2.5	4	6.5	5.0	-1.5		Dodge	DRC2	DRC2	64		
5	1.8	Troxel	TRB	15%	37	3	3	2.3	0.6	3	3	2.1	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.3	0.6	5	2.5	2.3	-0.2		Griswold	GRD2	GRD2	63		
6	2.0	Ringwood	RHB	4%	103	2	4	3.1	0.6	2	4	3.0	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2	5	0.6	0.6	0.0		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
7	2.2	McHenry	MDC2	9%	74	4	8	3.8	0.5	4	8	7.2	0.5	0.6	1.3	2.4	2.3	1.3	5	2.4	2.3	-0.1		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
8	2.9	McHenry	MDC2	10%	25	2	4	3.7	0.2	2	2	1.8	0.1	2.0	5.7	2.0	1.5	5.7	4	2.0	1.6	-0.4		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
9	3.0	Piano	PRB	4%	82	3	6	5.9	0.5	2	6	5.3	0.6	0.5	1.5	0.5	1.7	1.5	4	1.7	1.6	-0.1		Piano	PRB	PRB	62		
10	3.1	Rodman	RPE	24%	125	4	7	6.0	0.5	4	6	5.8	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.6	4.1	0.6	2	4.6	4.1	-0.5		Rodman	RPE	RPE	64		
11	3.3	McHenry	PRC2	9%	68	3	8	7.9	0.4	3	8	7.7	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.7	1.3	0.2	5	1.3	1.3	0.0		Orian Var	OS	OS	64		
12	3.4	Orian Var	OS	1%	101	2	2	0.5	1.4	2	2	0.4	1.3	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.7	5	0.4	0.4	0.0		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
13	3.5	McHenry	PRB	8%	130	6.0	3.0	2.2	0.7	6.0	3.0	2.0	1.2	-0.3	-2.0	1.4	3.8	3.5	5	1.7	1.6	-0.1		Griswold	GWC	GWC	64		
14	3.5	Piano	PRB	8%	42	4	4	4.1	0.3	3	3	3.2	0.2	1.0	3.5	1.0	4.5	3.5	5	4.9	4.5	-0.4		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
15	3.5	Dodge	DRB	9%	42	4	4	4.1	0.3	3	3	3.2	0.2	1.0	3.5	1.0	4.5	3.5	5	4.9	4.5	-0.4		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
16	3.7	McHenry	KDC2	16%	73	3	4	3.2	1.1	3	4	2.4	1.1	0.8	3.0	0.8	1.4	3.0	5	1.4	1.5	0.1		Kidder	KDC2	KDC2	64		
17	3.7	McHenry	KDC2	9%	64	4	6	6.0	0.4	4	6	5.5	0.4	0.5	1.9	0.5	2.2	1.9	5	2.2	2.1	-0.1		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
18	4.0	Kidder	KDC2	9%	37	2	0	0.2	0.2	2	0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	5	1.3	1.3	0.0		Kidder	KDC2	KDC2	64		
19	4.0	Kidder	KFC2	28%	57	4	6	6.2	0.3	4	3	3.0	0.2	3.3	13.2	3.3	4.0	7.6	5	4.8	4.0	-0.8		Kidder	KFC2	KFC2	64		
20	4.0	McHenry	MDC2	9%	41	5	5	4.3	0.5	4	3	2.5	0.4	1.9	7.6	1.9	0.5	7.6	5	3.7	3.4	-0.3		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	62		
21	4.2	Griswold	GRD2	16%	21	1	1	0.6	0.1	1	1	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	4	0.5	0.6	0.1		Griswold	GRD2	GRD2	64		
22	4.2	Ringwood	RHB	4%	133	9.0	9.0	8.3	1.1	8.0	9.0	7.6	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.8	0.9	8.0	5	1.4	1.4	-0.2		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
23	4.2	Rockton	RDD2	11%	109	3	5	4.1	1.0	3	3	2.3	0.6	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.2	1.3	2	2.4	1.2	-0.2		Rockton	RDD2	RDD2	64		
24	4.2	St Charles	SCB	4%	78	3	3	2.4	0.6	3	3	2.1	0.6	0.3	1.3	0.3	2.4	1.3	5	2.4	2.3	-0.1		St Charles	SCB	SCB	64		
25	4.4	McHenry	MDC2	9%	59	4	9	8.5	0.5	4	9	8.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	2.3	2.2	5	2.3	2.2	-0.1		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
26	4.4	Elburn	EBB	2%	153	4	5	4.3	0.9	4	5	3.7	0.8	0.7	3.1	0.7	3.1	3.1	5	2.3	2.3	0.0		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
27	4.4	Ringwood	RHB	4%	115	9.0	11.0	8.9	1.8	8.0	9.0	7.6	1.4	1.7	7.5	1.7	7.5	7.5	5	4.6	4.4	-0.2		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
28	4.4	Griswold	GWC	8%	85	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5	0.2	0.1	-0.1		Griswold	GWC	GWC	64		
29	4.8	St Charles	SCB	4%	79	3	5	4.2	0.6	2	2	1.9	0.5	2.4	11.5	2.4	11.5	14.2	4	2.1	1.3	-0.8		St Charles	SCB	SCB	64		
30	4.9	Batavia	BBB	4%	116	3.0	6.0	5.4	0.6	3.0	3.0	2.7	0.4	2.9	14.2	2.9	2.3	2.9	5	2.9	2.3	-0.6		Batavia	BBB	BBB	64		
31	5.1	Keokua	KEB	4%	106	5	7	5.9	1.3	5	6	5.0	1.2	1.0	5.1	1.0	5.1	5.1	3	2.9	2.6	-0.3		Keokua	KEB	KEB	64		
32	5.3	St Charles	SCC2	10%	36	0	0	0.2	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.2	-0.3	-1.6	-0.3	0.4	2.2	5	0.2	0.7	0.5		St Charles	SCC2	SCC2	64		
33	5.4	Kidder	KDC2	12%	46	3	5	4.6	0.4	2	5	4.3	0.3	0.4	2.2	0.4	2.2	2.2	5	2.3	2.1	-0.2		Kidder	KDC2	KDC2	64		
34	5.5	McHenry	MDC2	16%	69	1	1	0.4	0.3	1	1	0.8	0.4	-0.5	-2.8	-0.5	0.4	1.3	5	0.4	1.3	0.9		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
35	5.5	St Charles	SCA	9%	13	4	7	6.7	0.1	3	3	3.2	0.1	3.5	19.3	3.5	19.3	19.3	5	6.0	4.7	-1.3		Kidder	KEC2	KEC2	69		
36	5.5	Dresden	DSB	1%	121	2	2	0.6	1.8	1	2	0.4	1.4	0.6	3.3	0.6	3.3	3.3	3	1.2	1.1	-0.1		Dresden	DSB	DSB	64		
37	5.7	Dodge	DRC2	9%	80	5	11	10.0	0.2	4	4	3.3	0.6	6.9	39.3	6.9	39.3	39.3	5	3.6	2.7	-0.9		Dodge	DRC2	DRC2	64		
38	5.9	Ringwood	RHB	4%	53	1	1	0.7	0.8	1	1	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.6	5	0.5	0.5	0.0		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
39	5.9	Batavia	BBB	2%	161	7	8	6.7	1.7	6	4	2.7	1.1	4.6	27.1	4.6	27.1	27.1	4	2.6	2.3	-0.3		Batavia	BBB	BBB	63		
40	5.9	St Charles	SCB	4%	69	2	2	2.0	0.4	2	1	0.9	0.4	1.1	6.5	1.1	6.5	6.5	5	1.0	0.7	-0.3		St Charles	SCB	SCB	64		
41	6.0	Boyer	BOB	4%	48	1	1	1.2	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.5	0.4	2.4	0.4	2.4	2.4	3	1.0	0.7	0.0		Boyer	BOB	BOB	64		
42	6.0	Griswold	GWC	9%	45	3	5	2.6	2.1	3	5	2.5	2.1	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.6	5	1.3	1.3	0.0		Griswold	GWC	GWC	62		
43	6.0	St Charles	SCB	9%	48	4	4	2.4	1.6	3	4	1.9	1.4	GWC	4.2	5	4.2	4.2	5	2.4	2.3	-0.1		Griswold	GWC	GWC	62		
44	6.0	Dodge	DRB	9%	34	4	5	4.4	0.2	3	4	3.5	0.2	0.9	5.4	0.9	5.4	5.4	5	4.9	4.5	-0.4		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
45	6.2	Edmund	EDB2	4%	163	4	5	3.5	1.3	3	3	1.3	1.6	1.9	11.8	1.9	11.8	11.8	1	1.6	0.7	-0.9		Edmund	EDB2	EDB2	64		
46	6.4	Piano	PRB	28%	66	7.0	18.0	17.5	0.5	5.0	8.0	7.5	0.4	10.1	64.6	5	7.8	5.6	5	7.8	5.6	-2.2		Kidder	KFC2	KFC2	64		
47	6.4	Whalan	WMD2	16%	82	4	8	7.4	0.7	4	7	6.5	0.7	0.9	5.8	0.9	5.8	5.8	2	4.5	4.0	-0.5		Whalan	WMD2	WMD2	64		
48	6.5	Watouska	WAB	4%	86	6	5	4.5	0.4	6	4	4.0	0.3	0.6	3.9	0.6	3.9	3.9	5	4.7	4.6	-0.1		Ringwood	RHB	RHB	64		
49	6.6	Virgil	VBB	3%	49	2	2	0.9	1.5	1	1	0.1	1.1	1.0	6.6	1.0	6.6	6.6	5	0.6	0.1	-0.5		Virgil	VBB	VBB	62		
50	6.8	St Charles	SCB	4%	15	3	3	2.4	0.1	3	1	1.3	0.1	1.1	7.5	1.1	7.5	7.5	5	2.7	2.5	-0.2		St Charles	SCB	SCB	64		
51	6.9	Kidder	KDC2	9%	90	3	4	3.1	0.7	2	3	1.7	0.6	0.5	3.5	0.5	3.5	3.5	5	2.6	2.4	-0.2		Kidder	KDC2	KDC2	64		
52	7.0	McHenry	MDC2	16%	23	3	4	4.5	0.3	2	3	2.9	0.1	1.8	12.6	1.8	12.6	12.6	5	1.8	2.0	0.2		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
53	7.0	McHenry	MDC2	9%	51	5	7	5.1	2.0	5	7	5.2	2.0	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	5	2.5	2.6	0.1		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	62		
54	7.0	McHenry	MDC2	9%	67	3	3	2.6	0.3	3	3	2.1	0.3	0.5	3.5	0.5	3.5	3.5	5	3.2	2.9	-0.3		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
55	7.0	Dresden	DSB	16%	33	3	10	9.3	0.6	1	3	2.8	0.5	6.6	46.2	6.6	46.2	46.2	3	3.4	1.4	-2.0		Dresden	DRD2	DRD2	64		
56	7.0	McHenry	MDC2	16%	33	3	5	4.8	0.1	2	3	3.4	0.1	1.4	9.8	1.4	9.8	9.8	5	2.9	2.2	-0.7		McHenry	MDC2	MDC2	64		
57	7.3	Dodge	DRC2	16%	11	3	6	5.6	0.1	2	2	2.2	0.1	3.4	24.8	3.4	24.8	24.8	5	3.7	2.4	-1.3		Kidder	KDC2	KDC2	64		
58	7.4	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	96	10	15	14.0	1.0	8	10	8.6	1.0	5.4	40.0	5.4	40.0	40.0	5	5.8	4.9	-0.9		Ringwood	RRC2	RRC2	63		
59	7.5	Piano	PRC2	16%	78	1	2	4.8	0.7	4.0	2	1.5	0.5	3.5	26.3	3.5	26.3	26.3	5	4.8	4.0	-0.8		Kidder	KDC2	KDC			

Table 10 cont. Changes in phosphorus loss from planting cover crops

1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB
	2016 Phosphorus Report - Cover Crops															Pounds		Cover Crops		With Cover Crops		Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop		Critical Soil used		Soil used		Yahara Stream Reach field is located
2	Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P PPM	Retest PI	Annual PI	Part. PI	Soluble PI	Retest PI	Annual PI	Part. PI	Soluble PI	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre									
61	7.5	Batavia	B88	4%	105	3	5	4.4	0.6	3	4	3.4	0.8	0.8	6.0	4	2.6	2.4	-0.2								63	
62	7.6	Kidder	KDC2	9%	39	2	3	0.2	0.7	2	3	2.1	0.7	0.1	0.8	5	1.1	0.9	-0.2								64	
63	7.7	Kidder	KDC2	9%	47	1	1	0.2	0.3	1	1	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	5	0.4	0.4	0.0								64	
64	7.7	Dresden	DSK2	9%	81	5.0	6.0	5.6	0.7	4.0	4.0	3.2	0.5	2.6	20.0	3	3.2	3.2	-0.8								64	
65	7.9	Griswold	GDW2	16%	27	1	1	0.6	0.0	1	1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	4	0.9	0.9	0.0								64	
66	7.9	Kidder	KDD2	16%	60	6	8	6.9	1.4	5	6	4.3	1.2	2.8	22.1	5	3.8	3.5	-0.3								64	
67	8.0	Whalan	WKD2	9%	41	4	4	4.0	0.5	4	4	3.6	0.5	0.4	3.2	2	3.5	3.3	-0.2								64	
68	8.0	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	75	5	13	10.1	2.5	4	7	5.0	2.2	5.4	43.2	5	2.4	2.0	-0.4								64	
69	8.0	Sable	SAA	1%	197	6	7	2.9	3.9	5	4	1.3	3.0	2.5	20.0	5	1.0	0.9	-0.1								63	
70	8.0	Kidder	KKE2	16%	51	6	5	4.7	0.2	6	5	4.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	5	6.0	6.0	0.0								62	
71	8.0	Poa	POA	9%	63	2	5	3.9	1	2	5	3.8	0.8	0.3	2.4	5	2.7	2.6	-0.1								64	
72	8.0	Ringwood	RRB	4%	107	2	3	2.8	0.5	2	3	2.1	0.8	0.4	3.2	4	0.8	0.7	-0.1								64	
73	8.1	Griswold	GDW2	16%	21	1	1	0.6	0.0	1	1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	5	0.6	0.6	0.0								64	
74	8.2	Dodge	DNC2	8%	136	4	2	1.0	0.8	4	2	0.9	1.0	-0.1	-0.8	5	2.3	2.3	0.0								64	
75	8.2	Dodge	DNB	4%	40	2	2	1.6	0.2	2	1	1.1	0.2	0.5	4.1	5	1.7	1.6	-0.1								64	
76	8.3	Dodge	DNB	9%	25	1	1	0.6	0.1	1	1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.8	5	0.6	0.6	0.0								64	
77	8.4	Whalan	WWD2	16%	90	4	9	6.9	1.6	4	5	3.6	1.4	3.5	29.4	2	2.1	2.0	-0.1								64	
78	8.4	St Charles	SCB	4%	13	3	2	2.2	0.1	3	2	1.1	0.4	1.2	10.1	5	2.7	2.3	-0.4								64	
79	8.5	Troxel	TRB	2%	90	4	3	2.4	0.6	3	2	1.1	0.4	1.5	12.8	5	2.6	2.2	-0.4								62	
80	8.6	Dodge	DNB	4%	21	0	1	1.6	0.1	1	1	1.3	0.1	0.3	2.6	5	0.6	0.3	-0.3								64	
81	8.7	Piano	PRB	15%	59	4	4	3.4	0.3	4	4	3.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	5	3.9	3.9	0.0								64	
82	8.7	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	19	2	2	2.1	0.1	2	2	1.7	0.2	0.3	2.6	5	1.2	1.1	-0.1								64	
83	8.7	Whalan	WXB	4%	33	1	2	1.5	0.3	1	2	1.4	0.2	0.2	1.7	2	2.0	2.0	0.0								64	
84	8.9	Kidder	KD2	15%	66	12	9	7.5	1.2	8	6	4.3	1.3	3.1	27.6	5	7.0	5.0	-2.0								62	
85	9.0	St Charles	SCB	4%	128	1	1	0.3	0.6	1	1	0.1	0.5	0.3	2.7	5	0.4	0.3	-0.1								66	
86	9.0	Mchenry	MD2	16%	48	4	8	8.2	0.3	3	8	8.0	0.3	0.2	1.8	5	3.0	2.8	-0.2								62	
87	9.1	Griswold	GWC	9%	67	5	12	11.5	0.4	5	12	11.5	0.4	0.0	0.0	5	5.1	5.1	0.0								64	
88	9.1	Dresden	DSB	2%	83	1	1	0.4	1.0	1	1	0.3	0.8	0.3	2.7	3	2.0	1.9	-0.1								64	
89	9.2	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	61	4	11	10.4	0.4	3	4	4.0	0.3	6.5	59.8	5	3.0	2.1	-0.9								64	
90	9.5	Ringwood	RRB	4%	104	3	2	1.4	0.7	3	2	1.1	0.7	0.3	2.9	5	6.0	5.8	-0.2								64	
91	9.5	Mchenry	MD2	16%	36	3	7	6.4	0.3	2	2	2.1	0.3	4.3	40.9	5	2.1	1.5	-0.6								62	
92	9.6	Whalan	WWD2	16%	25	2	5	3.6	1.0	1	1	0.3	0.2	3.6	34.6	2	1.6	0.7	-0.9								64	
93	9.7	Dodge	DNB	9%	21	1	1	0.6	0.1	1	1	0.5	0.1	0.1	1.0	4	1.0	0.9	-0.1								64	
94	9.8	Piano	POB	4%	170	7	11	9.2	1.6	7	10	8.5	1.8	0.5	4.9	5	3.3	3.0	-0.3								64	
95	9.8	Troxel	TRB	9%	108	4.0	9.0	8.7	0.3	3.0	3.0	2.9	0.2	5.9	57.8	5	3.2	2.1	-1.1								64	
96	9.8	Piano	PRC2	12%	68	2	2	1.4	0.4	2	2	1.3	0.3	0.2	2.0	5	2.1	2.1	0.0								64	
97	9.9	Piano	PRB	4%	56	6	5	4.7	0.5	5	2	2.0	0.3	2.9	28.7	5	4.3	3.8	-0.5								64	
98	9.9	Dodge	DNB	9%	33	4	9	7.6	1.0	3	5	4.0	1.0	3.6	35.6	5	3.3	2.7	-0.6								62	
99	10.0	Dodge	DNC2	9%	48	5	7	5.4	1.4	5	5	4.1	0.4	2.3	23.0	5	1.8	2.3	0.5								64	
100	10.0	Kidder	KDC2	9%	120	1	1	0.1	0.4	1	0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	5	0.1	0.1	0.0								66	
101	10.0	Piano	PIA	4%	17	2	3	2.4	0.2	2	3	2.5	0.2	-0.1	-1.0	5	1.9	1.9	0.0								69	
102	10.0	Piano	PRB	2%	92	4	4	3.5	0.9	4	2	1.6	0.7	2.1	21.0	5	2.1	1.8	-0.3								64	
103	10.0	Whalan	WWD2	8%	46	3	6	5.6	0.3	2	2	2.0	0.2	3.7	37.0	2	2.0	1.5	-0.5								64	
104	10.0	Dodge	DNC2	8%	123	9	20	17.7	1.9	7	9	7.5	1.5	10.6	106.0	5	4.6	3.5	-1.1								64	
105	10.1	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	74	3	6	5.4	0.3	3	3	1.9	0.2	3.6	36.4	5	2.0	1.4	-0.6								64	
106	10.2	Batavia	B8B	4%	97	6	5	4.6	0.7	5	3	2.5	0.4	2.4	24.5	4	5.4	4.5	-0.9								62	
107	10.3	Kidder	KD2	15%	58	10	9	8.5	0.9	8	9	7.7	0.9	0.8	8.2	5	6.3	5.1	-1.2								64	
108	10.3	Dodge	DNC2	9%	20	3	2	1.9	0.3	3	2	1.4	0.3	0.5	5.2	5	1.8	1.6	-0.2								64	
109	10.3	Piano	PRB	16%	106	3.0	6.0	5.5	0.3	3.0	5.0	5.2	0.3	0.3	3.1	5	3.0	2.8	-0.2								64	
110	10.4	Piano	POA	1%	133	4	6	4.1	2.2	4	5	3.0	2.2	1.1	11.4	4	1.6	1.3	-0.1								63	
111	10.5	Dodge	DNB	4%	33	6	7	6.0	1.5	5	4	2.9	1.3	3.3	34.7	5	5.9	5.3	-0.6								64	
112	10.6	Dodge	DNC2	9%	78	3	5	4.3	1.0	3	4	2.5	1.2	1.6	17.0	5	2.0	1.7	-0.3								64	
113	10.6	Mchenry	MD2	9%	12	1	1	0.2	1.0	1	1	0.9	0.2	0.1	1.1	5	0.9	0.8	-0.1								64	
114	10.7	Dresden	DSK2	8%	46	4	3	2.4	0.7	4	3	2.2	0.7	0.2	2.1	3	3.0	2.9	-0.1								64	
115	10.9	Piano	PRB	8%	52	2	3	2.8	0.3	2	3	2.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	5	2.2	2.2	0.0								64	
116	10.9	Waconia	Wa	4%	255	11	12	9.3	2.4	3.0	9	7.2	2.2	2.3	25.1	5	3.4	4.2	0.8								62	
117	11.0	Ringwood	RRC2	9%	96	4.0	10.0	9.4	0.4	3.0	5	4.5	0.3	5.0	55.0	5	3.9	3.0	-0.9								64	
118	11.0	Kidder	KD2	16%	52	3.0	3.0	2.9	0.5	3.0	3.0	2.9	0.5	0.0	0.0	2	2.5	2.5	0.0								64	

Table 10 cont. Changes in phosphorus loss from planting cover crops

2016 Phosphorus Report - Cover Crops																										Without Cover Crop						With Cover Crop						Pounds				Without Cover Crops		With Cover Crops		Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop		Critical Soil used		Soil used		Yahara Stream Reach fields located	
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC																									
Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P ppm	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre																																			
119	11.0	Mcherry	MMD2	9%	32	2	1.8	0.1	2	3	2.8	0.2	-1.1	-12.1	5	3.2	3.2	0.0	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						62																										
120	11.0	Mcherry	MMD2	16%	35	5	10	9.1	0.6	3	1.2	0.6	7.9	86.9	5	3.3	2.3	-1.0	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						64																										
121	11.2	Plano	PKC2	15%	37	1.0	3.0	2.1	0.4	1.0	3.0	2.2	-0.1	-1.1	4	1.0	1.0	0.0	Griswold	GMWD2	GMWD2						64																										
122	11.5	Griswold	GMWD2	15%	53	2.0	3.0	2.2	0.5	3.0	2.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	4	1.9	0.9	-1.0	Griswold	GMWD2	GMWD2						64																										
123	11.7	Mcherry	MMD2	16%	113	2	6	5.9	0.5	2	3	2.9	0.5	35.1	5	1.9	1.3	-0.6	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						64																										
124	11.8	Ringwood	RnB	4%	51	2	1	0.8	0.4	2	1	0.7	0.4	0.1	1.2	5	1.2	1.2	0.0	Ringwood	RnB	RnB						64																									
125	11.8	St Charles	SeB	4%	78	3	4	3.9	0.6	2	2	1.7	0.6	2.2	26.0	5	1.9	1.7	-0.7	St Charles	SeB	SeB						63																									
126	12.0	Plano	PKC2	25%	79	2	1.2	0.9	0.2	2	3	1.8	1.1	-9.6	2	2.6	2.2	0.1	Whalan	WMK2	WMK2						63																										
127	12.0	Griswold	GMWD2	16%	26	3	6	5.9	0.2	3	6	5.8	0.1	0.2	2.4	5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						64																									
128	12.1	Plano	PnB	4%	77	2	3	2.4	0.3	3	3	2.9	0.5	-0.7	-8.5	5	1.2	1.4	0.2	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						64																									
129	12.3	Dodge	DMC2	9%	47	3	4	3.5	0.2	2	1	1.2	0.3	2.2	27.1	5	2.2	1.8	-0.4	Dodge	DMC2	DMC2						64																									
130	12.5	Plano	PnB	15%	39	3	4	2.6	1.3	2	2	1.8	0.6	1.5	18.8	4	1.7	1.7	0.0	Griswold	GMWD2	GMWD2						64																									
131	12.7	Troxel	TrB	2%	96	5	7	4.7	1.9	5	6	3.9	1.9	0.8	10.2	5	1.4	1.2	-0.2	Troxel	TrB	TrB						63																									
132	12.7	Mcherry	MMD2	16%	87	5	10	9.4	0.4	5	7	6.5	0.5	2.8	35.6	5	5.9	5.3	-0.6	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						62																									
133	12.7	Kidder	KK2	16%	76	5	10	9.1	0.6	5	10	9.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	5	5.0	5.0	0.0	Kidder	KK2	KK2						62																									
134	12.7	Dodge	DMC2	4%	71	4	12	11.4	1	4	12	11.1	1	0.3	3.8	5	2.2	2.1	-0.1	Dodge	DnB	DnB						63																									
135	12.8	Ringwood	RnB	4%	97	2	1	0.8	0.4	2	1	0.4	0.6	0.2	2.6	5	0.8	0.9	0.1	Ringwood	RnB	RnB						64																									
136	12.9	Dresden	DMC2	9%	82	5	11	10.8	0.5	3	5	4.0	0.9	6.4	82.6	3	4.4	2.5	-1.9	Dresden	DMC2	DMC2						64																									
137	13.0	Dodge	DMC2	16%	27	9	24	23.3	0.8	6	13	12.8	0.6	10.7	139.1	5	7.6	5.7	-1.9	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						62																									
138	13.1	Kidder	KK2	7%	41	1	1	0.6	0.1	1	1	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	5	0.9	0.9	0.0	Kidder	KKD2	KKD2						62																									
139	13.2	Whalan	WMK2	9%	16	2	2	1.8	0.4	2	0	0.1	0.1	2.0	26.4	2	2.2	1.7	-0.5	Whalan	WMK2	WMK2						64																									
140	13.5	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	71	4.0	5.0	4.1	0.5	4.0	5.0	4.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	5	3.4	3.5	0.1	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						64																									
141	13.6	Dodge	DMC2	9%	47	8	13	12.5	0.5	6	5	4.5	0.6	7.9	107.4	5	4.3	3.2	-1.1	Dodge	DMC2	DMC2						64																									
142	13.6	Mcherry	MMD2	9%	59	3	3	3.2	0.2	3	3	3.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	5	4.7	4.7	0.0	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						62																									
143	13.7	Griswold	GMWD2	4%	46	1	2	1.7	0.2	1	1	1.3	0.2	5.5	5.5	5	1.5	1.3	-0.2	Plano	PnB	PnB						64																									
144	13.8	Mcherry	MGK2	8%	36	4	3	3.1	0.3	4	3	3.0	0.3	0.1	1.4	5	8.0	8.0	0.0	Mcherry	MGK2	MGK2						62																									
145	14.0	Kidder	KKC2	9%	25	4	3	1.8	0.8	4	2	1.6	0.8	0.2	2.8	5	3.3	3.3	0.0	Kidder	KKC2	KKC2						64																									
146	14.0	Virgil	VnB	4%	30	2	2	1.2	0.3	1	1	0.3	0.3	0.9	12.6	5	0.6	1.2	-0.4	Virgil	VnB	VnB						66																									
147	14.0	Kidder	KKC2	9%	91	1	1	0.3	0.3	0	0	0.1	0.3	0.2	2.8	5	0.5	0.2	-0.3	Kidder	KKC2	KKC2						66																									
148	14.0	Plano	PKC2	9%	82	5	8	7.6	0.9	4	3	2.6	0.6	5.3	74.2	5	3.4	2.9	-0.6	Plano	PKC2	PKC2						64																									
149	14.0	Eblum	EBB	3%	69	6	4	3.6	0.7	6	2	1.6	0.6	2.1	29.4	5	3.2	2.8	-0.3	Eblum	EBB	EBB						64																									
150	14.0	Griswold	GMWB	15%	64	2	3	2.7	0.6	2	3	2.7	0.6	0.0	0.0	4	1.4	1.4	0.0	Griswold	GMWD2	GMWD2						64																									
151	14.1	Plano	PnB	9%	52	1	2	1.3	0.3	1	2	1.2	0.3	0.1	1.4	5	0.8	0.9	0.1	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						64																									
152	14.3	Grays	GSB	4%	93	6	7	6.1	0.8	6	5	4.2	0.7	2.0	28.6	5	2.4	2.2	-0.2	Grays	GSB	GSB						64																									
153	14.4	Mcherry	MGK2	9%	27	4	4	3.6	0.1	4	2	2.3	0.1	1.3	18.7	5	4.0	3.7	-0.3	Mcherry	MGK2	MGK2						64																									
154	14.5	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	132	8	15	14.4	0.6	8	14	13.0	0.9	1.1	16.0	5	7.0	6.3	-0.7	Plano	PKC2	PKC2						64																									
155	14.6	Dresden	DMC2	9%	74	9	9	8.2	0.6	2	2	1.7	0.7	6.4	93.4	3	2.4	1.7	-0.7	Dresden	DMC2	DMC2						64																									
156	14.8	St Charles	SeB	4%	11	2	3	3.0	0.1	2	3	2.6	0.1	0.4	5.9	5	1.9	1.8	-0.1	St Charles	SeB	SeB						64																									
157	14.9	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	58	4.0	10.0	10.0	0.2	4.0	10.0	9.5	0.2	0.5	7.5	5	4.0	3.9	-0.1	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						62																									
158	15.0	Plano	PKC2	14%	53	3	2	2.1	0.4	3	2	1.8	0.4	0.3	4.5	3	2.9	2.5	-0.4	Military	MMD2	MMD2						62																									
159	15.0	Sebewa	Se	1%	47	3	2	0.9	0.8	3	1	0.8	0.7	0.2	3.0	3	1.9	1.9	0.0	Sebewa	Se	Se						69																									
160	15.0	Mcherry	MMD2	14%	50	2	2	2.0	0.4	2	2	1.9	0.4	0.1	1.5	5	1.8	1.8	0.0	Mcherry	MMD2	MMD2						62																									
161	15.2	Kidder	KKC2	9%	52	1	1	0.4	0.2	1	1	0.3	0.2	0.1	1.5	5	1.2	1.2	0.0	Kidder	KKC2	KKC2						62																									
162	15.5	Kidder	KKC2	8%	109	5	6	5.0	0.8	3	3	2.4	0.5	2.9	45.0	5	5.6	4.7	-0.9	Kidder	KKC2	KKC2						62																									
163	15.8	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	116	5	5	4.5	0.9	4	4	3.3	0.9	1.2	19.0	5	3.0	2.8	-0.2	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						64																									
164	15.9	Mcherry	MGK2	16%	20	2	3	3.2	0.1	2	2	3.2	0	0.6	9.5	5	1.2	1.4	0.2	Mcherry	MGK2	MGK2						64																									
165	16.0	Griswold	GMWC	8%	58	2	3	2.7	0.4	2	3	2.2	0.5	0.4	6.4	5	2.2	2.0	-0.2	Griswold	GMWC	GMWC						64																									
166	16.0	Eblum	EOA	2%	64	1	1	0.5	0.8	2	1	0.5	0.8	0.0	0.0	5	0.6	0.6	0.0	Eblum	EOA	EOA						69																									
167	16.0	Dresden	DMD2	9%	70	4	7	6.4	0.6	4	3	2.8	0.4	3.8	60.8	3	3.6	3.1	-0.5	Dresden	DMD2	DMD2						61																									
168	16.1	Radford	RnA	2%	69	3	4	2.4	1.7	3	3	1.3	1.3	1.5	24.2	5	1.8	1.6	-0.2	Radford	RnA	RnA						64																									
169	16.2	Wacousta	Wa	4%	148	6.0	7.0	3.9	2.7	6.0	6.0	3.6	2.7	0.3	8.2	3	2.8	2.4	-0.4	Dresden	DSB	DSB						62																									
170	16.3	Kidder	KKD2	16%	133	2	2	1.0	1.4	2	2	0.8	1.1	0.5	8.2	5	2.6	2.7	0.1	Kidder	KKD2	KKD2						64																									
171	16.3	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	142	9	18	16.5	1.4	8	12	10.2	1.4	6.3	102.7	5	5.3	4.5	-0.8	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						64																									
172	16.4	Troxel	TrB	16%	151	11.0	16.0	14.7	1.2	7.0	8.0	6.9	1.0	8.0	131.2	3	2.9	2.0	-0.9	Dresden	DMD2	DMD2						64																									
173	16.4	Dodge	DMB	9%	17	1	1	0.6	0.1	1	1	0.5	0.1	0.1	1.6	5	0.9	0.9	0.0	Mcherry	MGK2	MGK2						64																									
174	16.7	Plano	PnB	9%	165	3	4	2	1.9	4	4	1.6	2	0.3	5.0	2	1.1	1.0	-0.1	Griswold	GMWC	GMWC						63																									
175	16.7	Whalan	WMK2	9%	40	1	3	2.2	0.4	1	2	1.3	0.4	0.9	15.0	2	1.9	1.3	0.6	Whalan	WMK2	WMK2						64																									
176	17.1	Dodge	DMC2	28%	98	6.0	17.0	16.0	0.9	5.0	7.0	6.5	0.6	9.8	167.6	5	5.7	4.3	-1.4	Kidder	KKC2	KKC2						64																									

Table 10 cont. Changes in phosphorus loss from planting cover crops

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB			
1	2016 Phosphorus Report - Cover Crops																Without Cover Crop				With Cover Crop				Pounds		Critical Soil used		Soil used		AC
2	Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P PPM	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre												
177	17.3	Griswold	GWC	8%	29	1	1	0.5	0.7	1	1	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	5	0.6	0.7	0.1												
178	18.0	Griswold	GWB	16%	19	5	4	4.1	0.1	5	4	3.6	0.1	0.5	9.0	1	4.8	4.7	-0.1												
179	18.0	Ringwood	RnB2	4%	33	5	15	14.2	0.6	4	5	4.4	0.3	10.1	181.8	5	5.2	5.0	-0.2												
180	18.0	Dodge	DnB	9%	71	9	7	4.5	2.7	9	7	4.1	2.6	0.5	9.0	5	5.7	5.5	-0.2												
181	18.3	Dodge	DnB	4%	44	3	2	1.8	0.7	3	2	1.7	0.6	0.2	3.7	5	1.6	1.6	0.0												
182	18.4	Kegonsa	KeB	16%	60	5	11	10.2	0.5	4	5	4.5	0.3	5.9	108.6	3	5.4	4.1	-1.3												
183	18.4	Seaton	Smb	12%	42	3	5	4.4	0.4	3	5	4.3	0.4	0.1	1.8	5	2.6	2.6	0.0												
184	19.0	Ringwood	RnB	4%	44	1	2	1.6	0.6	1	1	1	0.2	1.0	19.0	5	0.7	0.6	-0.1												
185	19.2	Batavia	BbB	9%	89	4	3	2.9	0.4	2	1	0.6	0.7	2.0	38.4	3	2.4	1.3	-1.1												
186	19.2	St Charles	ScB	4%	15	3	2	1.4	0.1	3	1	1.3	0.1	0.1	1.9	4	3.2	2.9	-0.3												
187	19.2	Plano	PoB	4%	54	2	2	1.5	0.2	1	1	1.1	0.3	0.3	5.8	5	1.4	1.2	-0.2												
188	19.5	Ringwood	RnB2	15%	50	7	7	6.9	0.4	4	2	1.9	0.4	5.0	97.5	5	5.5	3.1	-2.4												
189	19.6	Kegonsa	KeB	9%	98	5	6	6.1	0.4	4	6	5.8	0.4	0.3	5.9	3	2.8	2.1	-0.7												
190	19.9	Batavia	BbB	2%	173	7	6	4.3	1.3	6	5	3.0	1.6	1.0	19.9	4	2.5	2.2	-0.3												
191	20.0	Plano	PnB	4%	96	2	1	1.0	0.4	2	1	0.9	0.4	0.1	2.0	5	0.7	0.6	-0.1												
192	20.0	Plano	PnA	9%	46	1	2	1.5	0.2	1	2	1.3	0.2	0.2	4.0	5	1.3	1.2	-0.1												
193	20.0	Plano	PoB	4%	57	4	4	3.2	0.5	4	4	3.2	0.5	0.0	0.0	4	3.5	3.3	-0.2												
194	20.0	Ringwood	RnB	4%	50	4	6	5.0	0.5	3	5	4.8	0.5	0.2	4.0	5	3.3	2.6	-0.7												
195	20.0	Elburn	EgA	9%	58	7	9	6.2	2.8	6	6	3.6	2.7	2.7	54.0	3	3.7	3.4	-0.3												
196	20.0	Batavia	BbB	9%	130	6	9	7.8	0.8	5	5	3.9	0.6	4.1	82.0	3	3.2	2.6	-0.6												
197	20.0	Mchenry	MdC2	9%	91	1	0	0.1	0.3	1	0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	5	0.1	0.1	0.0												
198	20.0	St Charles	ScB	3%	49	3	2	1.3	0.2	3	2	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	5	3.1	3.1	0.0												
199	20.0	Mchenry	MdC2	9%	27	3	4	3.9	0.4	3	4	3.6	0.5	0.2	4.0	5	3.0	2.5	-0.5												
200	20.0	Mchenry	MdC2	9%	20	4	5	4.4	0.2	3	4	3.7	0.2	0.7	14.0	5	4.8	4.5	-0.3												
201	20.3	Plano	PoA	4%	60	5	5	4.0	0.5	5	4	3.2	0.5	0.8	16.2	4	5.2	4.8	-0.4												
202	20.6	Waconia	Wa	1%	94	3	3	0.9	2.2	2	2	0.4	1.8	0.9	18.5	5	1.0	0.9	-0.1												
203	20.9	Warsaw	WnC2	4%	45	10	2.0	1.3	0.3	10	1.0	1.8	0.3	-0.5	-10.5	1	1.1	1.3	0.2												
204	21.0	St Charles	ShC2	9%	14	4	8	7.6	0.1	2	1	1.0	0.1	6.6	138.6	4	3.8	2.5	-1.3												
205	21.0	Plano	PnB	8%	85	2	3	2.3	0.6	2	2	1.6	0.8	0.5	10.5	5	0.8	0.7	-0.1												
206	21.1	Dresden	DsC2	8%	106	3	8	7.3	1.1	2	6	5.4	1.0	2.0	42.2	3	1.3	1.1	-0.2												
207	21.2	St Charles	ScB	9%	39	2	4	4	0.2	2	4	4.1	0.2	0.1	-2.1	2	2.8	2.9	0.1												
208	21.3	Griswold	GWB	9%	48	7	7	6.2	0.4	5	6	6.0	0.4	0.2	4.3	3	7.1	5.9	-1.2												
209	21.3	Dresden	DsC2	9%	20	4	8	7.4	0.5	4	7	6.1	0.7	1.1	23.4	3	2.6	2.4	-0.2												
210	21.4	Rockton	RoD2	21%	51	3	2	1.8	0.4	3	1	0.9	0.5	0.8	17.1	2	2.7	2.3	-0.4												
211	22.0	Plano	PoA	4%	76	2	4	4.2	0.3	2	5	4.4	0.3	-0.2	-4.4	4	1.3	1.4	0.1												
212	22.0	St Charles	ScB	16%	47	3	8	7.3	0.5	3	7	6.5	0.6	0.7	15.4	5	2.9	2.8	-0.1												
213	22.1	Ringwood	RnB	4%	61	4.0	5.0	4.0	0.5	4.0	4.0	3.2	0.4	0.9	19.9	5	3.1	3.0	-0.1												
214	22.2	Plano	PnC2	9%	22	2	1	1.0	0.2	1	1	0.6	0.2	0.4	8.9	5	1.2	1.1	-0.1												
215	22.6	Elburn	EfB	3%	83	2	5	4.1	0.9	2	3	1.8	0.7	2.5	56.5	5	1.3	1.0	-0.3												
216	23.0	Rockton	RoC2	9%	37	1	2	1.3	0.2	1	2	1.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	2	1.5	1.6	0.1												
217	23.5	Kegonsa	KeB	2%	167	2	2	0.8	1.4	2	2	0.5	1.1	0.6	14.1	3	1.6	1.2	-0.4												
218	23.9	Plano	PnB	9%	45	5	4	4.3	0.2	5	4	4.1	0.2	0.2	4.8	5	4.1	4.0	-0.1												
219	24.0	Griswold	GwD2	15%	33	4	7	6.8	0.5	3	3	2.8	0.3	4.2	100.8	4	2.7	2.3	-0.4												
220	24.0	Ringwood	RnB	9%	42	5	7	6.3	0.4	4	3	2.7	0.3	3.7	88.8	5	4.4	3.5	-0.9												
221	24.0	Ringwood	RnB	4%	74	2	3	3	0.4	2	3	2.5	0.6	0.3	7.2	5	0.8	0.7	-0.1												
222	24.4	Plano	PoB	9%	80	3	3	2.4	0.4	2	2	2.0	0.4	0.4	9.8	5	1.8	1.6	-0.2												
223	24.4	MdC2	MdC2	9%	33	3	4	3.4	0.1	3	2	2.2	0.2	1.1	26.8	5	3.0	2.8	-0.2												
224	24.5	Virgil	VfB	4%	163	4.0	5.0	4.7	0.7	4.0	5.0	4.0	1.1	0.3	7.4	4	1.7	1.6	-0.1												
225	24.9	Whalan	WvB	9%	23	4	5	4.9	0.2	3	4	3.9	0.2	1.0	24.9	5	4.9	4.5	-0.4												
226	26.0	Plano	PnB	4%	77	1	1	0.3	0.5	1	1	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	5	0.3	0.3	0.0												
227	26.5	Plano	PoB	4%	129	8.0	10.0	8.8	0.8	6.0	9.0	8.6	0.8	0.2	5.3	3	4.8	4.1	-0.7												

Table 10 continued Changes in phosphorus loss from planting cover crops

1		A	B	C	D	E	Without Cover Crop				With Cover Crop				Pounds		Without Cover Crops		With Cover Crops		W	X	Y	Z	AA	AC	
2016 Phosphorus Report - Cover Crops																											
Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P PPM	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Rotat. Pl	Annual Pl	Part. Pl	Soluble Pl	Annual P change per acre	Annual P change for field	Tolerable Soil Loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Calculated Soil loss for the field tons/acre	Change in Soil Loss from Cover Crop tons/acre									
2																											
235	27.5	Dresden	DsC2	9%	113	2	3	1.7	1.0	2	2	0.8	1.1	0.8	22.0	4.8	2.9	-1.9	Dresden	DsC2	DsC2						
236	28.0	Piano	PnB	4%	91	3	5	4.2	0.6	2	1	1.0	0.4	3.4	95.2	2.4	1.9	-0.5	Piano	PnB	PnB						
237	28.0	Piano	PnB	4%	90	3	2	1.8	0.3	2	2	1.3	0.7	0.1	2.8	2.6	2.4	-0.2	Piano	PnB	PnB						
238	28.0	Piano	PnB	4%	64	3	2	1.7	0.2	2	2	1.1	0.4	0.4	11.2	2.7	1.4	-1.3	Piano	PnB	PnB						
239	28.0	Ringwood	RnB2	9%	19	4	6	5.7	0.2	3	3	2.7	0.1	3.1	86.8	4.5	3.6	-0.9	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
240	28.1	Elburn	EgA	9%	78	2	3	1.3	1.9	2	2	0.7	1.2	1.3	36.5	1.7	3.9	-0.8	Boyer	BsC2	BsC2						
241	28.1	Grinstead	GwD2	16%	23	2.0	4.0	4.0	0.1	2.0	1.0	0.9	0.1	3.1	87.1	1.7	1.8	0.1	Whalan	WmD2	WmD2						
242	28.8	Keokosha	KeB	4%	133	10	12	10.4	1.3	6	5	3.9	0.8	2.1	201.6	6.3	5.1	-1.2	Keokosha	KeB	KeB						
243	29.3	McHenry	MdD2	6%	29	2	4	3.5	0.3	2	2	1.4	0.3	2.1	61.5	1.6	1.3	-0.3	McHenry	MdD2	MdD2						
244	29.6	Huntsville	HuB	4%	87	2	5	3.7	1.1	2	2	1.3	0.7	2.8	82.9	1.4	1.1	-0.3	Huntsville	HuB	HuB						
245	29.9	Piano	PnB	16%	76	8.0	11.0	10.2	0.4	7.0	6.0	5.8	0.4	4.4	131.6	7.4	6.6	-0.8	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2						
246	30.0	Whalan	WwC2	9%	40	2	4	3.2	0.4	2	2	1.8	0.4	1.4	42.0	2	2.5	-1.5	Whalan	WwC2	WwC2						
247	30.0	Piano	PnB	8%	64	2	2	1.7	0.7	2	2	1.4	0.6	0.4	12.0	5	1.0	0.0	Grinstead	GwC	GwC						
248	30.0	Piano	PnB	9%	23	4	12	11.8	0.3	4	11	10.5	0.4	1.2	36.0	3	3.3	-0.3	piano	PnC2	PnC2						
249	30.8	Piano	PnB	4%	140	7	11	9.8	1.4	6	9	8.0	1.2	2.0	61.6	4	3.6	-0.3	piano	PnB	PnB						
250	30.9	Ringwood	RnB	15%	62	2	3	1.6	1.0	2	2	1.7	0.3	0.6	18.5	5	1.3	0.0	Grinstead	GwC	GwC						
251	31.1	Orion Var	Os	1%	77	3	3	2.1	1.4	3	2	1.0	1.1	1.4	43.5	5	1.1	-0.2	Orion Var	Os	Os						
252	31.1	Ringwood	RnC2	2%	75	4	5	4.5	0.6	4	2	2.0	0.4	2.7	84.0	5	3.4	-0.4	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
253	31.8	Troxel	TtB	2%	145	7	8	5.7	1.9	6	6	4.0	1.6	2.0	63.6	5	3.0	-0.2	Troxel	TtB	TtB						
254	32.1	Hayfield	HaA	9%	72	3	2	1.7	0.5	4	4	3.6	0.5	-1.9	-61.0	4	3.2	3.7	0.5	McHenry	MdC2	MdC2					
255	33.8	Grinstead	GwD2	16%	19	0	0	0.2	0.1	0	0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	Grinstead	GwD2	GwD2					
256	34.0	St Charles	SsB	4%	49	1	2	1.6	0.3	1	2	1.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	5	1.3	0.1	0.1	St Charles	SsB	SsB					
257	35.1	Grinstead	GnC2	8%	15	1	1	0.9	0.5	2	1	0.7	0.5	0.2	7.0	4	0.7	0.8	0.1	Grinstead	GnC2	GnC2					
258	35.6	Piano	PnB	9%	90	4.0	4.0	3.2	0.4	3.0	3.0	2.4	0.7	0.5	17.8	5	2.2	2.1	-0.1	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2					
259	36.9	Dresden	DsC2	12%	54	8	12	12.1	0.4	7	6	5.6	0.3	0.6	243.5	3	6.7	-0.9	Dresden	DsC2	DsC2						
260	37.0	Piano	PnB	4%	82	3	3	2.8	0.5	3	3	2.2	0.6	0.5	18.5	5	1.8	1.7	-0.1	Piano	PnB	PnB					
261	38.0	Piano	PnA	9%	68	5	4	3.3	0.8	5	4	3.1	0.9	0.1	3.8	2	3.0	-0.2	Ripon	RnC2	RnC2						
262	38.4	Wacoosta	Wa	1%	125	2	3	0.3	2.5	2	2	0.2	2.0	0.6	23.0	5	0.9	0.8	-0.1	Wacoosta	Wa	Wa					
263	38.9	St Charles	SsC2	8%	35	2	3	3.1	0.2	2	3	2.9	0.2	0.2	7.8	5	1.5	1.5	0.0	St Charles	SsC2	SsC2					
264	39.0	Ringwood	RnB	9%	126	4	6	5.4	0.7	4	5	3.8	0.8	1.5	58.5	5	2.8	-0.2	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
265	39.1	Dresden	DsC2	9%	118	6	9	8.0	1.2	4	4	3.5	0.9	4.8	187.7	3	4.3	-1.0	Dresden	DsC2	DsC2						
266	40.0	Piano	PnB	4%	50	2	1	0.7	0.3	2	1	0.7	0.4	-0.1	-4.0	5	1.2	0.2	Piano	PnB	PnB						
267	41.0	Piano	PnB	9%	46	3	4	3.6	0.3	2	3	2.7	0.3	0.9	36.9	2	2.1	1.8	-0.3	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2					
268	41.8	Piano	PnB	4%	111	7.0	8.0	6.2	2.2	6.0	4.0	3.0	1.2	4.2	175.6	5	4.4	-0.5	Piano	PnB	PnB						
269	44.1	St Charles	SsB	5%	135	5	6	5.2	1.0	3	3	2.5	0.6	3.1	136.7	5	5.8	-0.8	St Charles	SsB	SsB						
270	45.3	Dresden	DnD2	16%	25	1	1	0.8	0.3	1	1	0.3	0.3	0.5	22.7	3	0.9	-0.4	Dresden	DnD2	DnD2						
271	46.0	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	20	2	1	1.1	0.1	1	1	0.8	0.1	0.3	13.8	5	1.8	-0.4	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
272	46.0	St Charles	SsB	9%	50	5	10	8.9	0.8	5	9	7.6	1.0	1.1	50.6	5	3.8	-0.2	Dodge	DnC2	DnC2						
273	46.1	Piano	PnA	4%	160	12	18	16.6	1.5	11	15	13.6	1.4	3.1	142.9	4	4.7	-0.3	Batavia	BnB	BnB						
274	49.0	Piano	PnB	4%	26	2	3	2.5	0.3	2	2	1.9	0.4	0.5	24.5	5	1.3	-0.1	Piano	PnB	PnB						
275	55.0	Piano	PnB	4%	119	2	2	0.9	0.7	2	2	0.8	0.7	0.1	5.5	5	1.4	1.4	0.0	Piano	PnB	PnB					
276	55.1	Kidder	KdD2	16%	17	2	3	3.1	0.2	2	2	2.1	0.2	1.0	55.1	5	2.6	2.3	-0.3	Kidder	KdD2	KdD2					
277	57.0	Kidder	KeB2	4%	46	1	2	1.6	0.3	1	2	1.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	5	1.5	1.6	0.1	Kidder	KeB2	KeB2					
278	60.0	Rockton	RnC2	9%	58	2	1	0.7	0.3	2	1	1	0.4	-0.4	-24.0	2	1.1	1.2	0.1	Rockton	RnC2	RnC2					
279	63.0	Piano	PnB	9%	62	2	2	1.3	0.4	1	1	0.8	0.4	0.5	31.5	5	1.6	-0.4	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
280	65.0	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	39	1	1	1.0	0.1	1	1	0.9	0.1	0.1	6.5	1.3	1.1	-0.2	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2						
281	67.0	Piano	PnB	4%	26	2	2	1.4	0.2	2	2	1.2	0.2	0.2	13.4	5	1.4	1.3	-0.1	Grinstead	GnB2	GnB2					
282	68.2	Kidder	KeB2	9%	15	2	3	2.6	0.2	1	1	1.2	0.1	1.5	102.3	2.6	2.1	-0.5	Kidder	KdC2	KdC2						
283	72.0	Ringwood	RnB2	8%	44	4	6	5.8	0.4	4	3	2.6	0.3	3.3	237.6	4	3.5	-0.1	Grinstead	GnC2	GnC2						
284	75.0	St Charles	SsB	9%	32	3	2	2.1	0.2	2	2	1.7	0.2	0.4	30.0	5	3.9										

As shown in the summary data the minimum change in predicted phosphorus loss was (-1.9 lbs)/acre while the maximum change in predicted phosphorus loss was 10.7 lbs/acre. The next question is how much is particulate versus soluble?

Particulate ² Average ² Annual ¹ Change/Acre	Total ² Phosphorus ² Reduction ²	Average ² Annual ¹ Change/Acre	Total ² Phosphorus ² Reduction ²
1.43	7,865.2	0.05	266.0
Max	10.5	Max	1.0
Min	-1.9	Min	-0.5

Table 12 Changes in Particulate versus soluble phosphorus

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Table 13 Soil Test Phosphorus Levels at different changes in P Loss

How much influence do soil test phosphorus levels have on predicted phosphorus losses? The first column in table 13 shows the predicted change in phosphorus loss when comparing a field with and without a cover crop. The second column is the average soil test P_2O_5 , followed by the maximum and minimum soil test levels from fields with similar phosphorus reductions. The final column in the table shows the percentage of the total acres in cover crops in each of the categories.

Change in P	Ave Soil Test P	Max Soil Test P	Min Soil Test P	Percentage of total acres
<0	59.9	136	16	6.8%
0	51.1	120	19	15.4%
0.1-1.0	65.0	173	11	46.1%
1.1-2.0	70.7	163	13	10.9%
2.1-3.0	88.4	255	29	5.5%
3.1-4.0	58.4	160	11	6.5%
4.1-5.0	90.1	161	33	2.9%
5.1-6.0	84.2	108	60	1.5%
6.1-7.0	78.6	142	14	2.1%
7.1-8.0	77.7	151	35	0.9%
8.1-9.0	81.0	81	81	0.3%
9.1-10.0	98.0	98	98	0.3%
>10	62.3	123	27	0.8%
				100.0%

The data in table 13 shows that 22.2% of all the cropland planted to cover crops had either a negative or no reduction (first two lines) in phosphorus loss. This means that 77.8% of the fields planted to cover crops had reductions in phosphorus loss, with reductions predicted to be between 0.1 – > 10.0 lbs/acre. Fields with reductions between 0.1 – 1.0 had slightly higher average soil test P levels than those with negative or no reduction, and were the majority of the fields.

There were not a significant number of fields with greater than 4-pound reductions in phosphorus loss (about 8.8% of the total acres in the program) so care should be taken in evaluating the influence of soil test P because of the limited number of fields. Two of the categories (8.1 – 9 and 9.1 10) had only one field each. Comparing this data to the reductions in particulate versus soluble phosphorous, it appears that tillage and slope play larger roles in predicting phosphorus delivery.

Looking at the data based on phosphorus reduction for each reach of stream is in table 14 (below).

Stream Reach	Acres	Percentage of Acres	Total Phosphorus Reduction
62	618.5	10.57	1,296.5 pounds
63	394.1	6.74	471.0 pounds
64	3,338.0	57.05	4,447.4 pounds
65	20.0	0.34	0 pounds
66	47.0	0.80	18.1 pounds
69	1,433.8	24.5	897.3 pounds

Table 14 Phosphorus reductions by stream reach

Table 15 Change in phosphorus loss from headland stacking solid dairy manure

Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope %	Soil test PPM	Winter Spreading					Headland Stacking					Pounds	
					Rotational	Annual	Partial	Soluble		Rotational	Annual	Partial	Soluble		Annual change per acre	Annual change per field
13.6	Dodge	DnC2	9%	47	6	3	0.6	2.8		6	1	0.5	0.8		2.1	28.6
22.2	Plano	PnC2	9%	22	2	3	0.2	2.3		1	0	0.1	0.3		2.1	46.6
14.6	Dresden	DsC2	9%	74	3	4	1.6	2.5		2	2	1.4	0.5		2.2	32.1
3	Fields															
49.4	Total Acres														Average Annual Change/Acre	Total Phosphorus Reduction
															2.13	107.3

4. Headland Stacking Manure

Based on data collected at the Discovery Farms and Pioneer Farms, winter runoff events that occur as a combination of increased temperatures and rainfall, along with frozen soils and deep snow cover, produces a high potential for surface runoff from fields. Livestock producers who make manure applications to cropland during this high-risk period need to understand that spreading manure during snowmelt does have an extremely high risk of runoff. Studies from farms cooperating in the Discovery Farm Program indicate that manure applied to snow covered and/or frozen soils during conditions of snowmelt or rain on frozen soils **can contribute the majority of the annual nutrient losses. One inappropriately timed manure application can generate large losses of phosphorus to surface waters.**

Yahara Pride Farms decided to provide an incentive to farmers who sometimes have to clean out lots with solid manure during this critical runoff period. The goals of this program were to reduce the risk of manure run off by:

- Offering an incentive to farmers for stacking, reloading and spreading manure during a low risk runoff period.
- The incentive payment is offered to help offset the cost of double handling manure.

Calculating the predicted reductions in phosphorus loss from headland stacking during critical runoff periods can be accomplished using the SNAP+ program by comparing the risk of a manure application in the winter (surface applied) and in the spring (incorporated). The predicted reductions in phosphorus loss are shown in table 15.

There was one farm that cooperated in the headland-stacking program in 2016. This farm stacked about 500 tons of solid dairy manure on a site approved for stacking. If the manure had been applied to cropland during the critical runoff period, the application would have covered about 50 acres.

As shown in table 15, stacking manure during the critical runoff period reduced the loss of phosphorus by 2.13 pounds per acre. Headland stacking showed a greater reduction in the risk of phosphorus loss than any other single practice. It is also important to note that headland stacking of manure during the critical runoff period is the only practices where soluble phosphorus losses are the dominant form of phosphorus reduction. The predicted reductions in soluble phosphorus from each of the three fields in this study were two pounds per acre.

Manure application rates were the same on each field, the only variable was whether manure was spread during the winter on frozen and/or snow covered ground or during the spring and incorporated within 72 hours. This one operation stacking just 500 tons of manure reduced the predicted risk of phosphorus loss to nearby surface water by 107.3 pounds.

Practices that reduce losses of soluble phosphorus are of particular importance because once phosphorus is in runoff water there is little that can be done to remove it prior to reaching nearby surface water. Most conservation practices are designed to capture and slow water running off of fields so that particulate soil particles fall out of the runoff and remain in the buffers settling basins and wetlands. However, soluble phosphorus is not tied to particles and therefore flows with the water. Keeping soluble phosphorus out of runoff is a critical factor in reducing the overall phosphorus loads to the Madison chain of lakes.

All of the fields impacted by this year's stacking program are in stream reach 64.

6. Combined Practices

The incredible cooperation of the local crop advisors and farmers provided YPF with an adequate data allowed us to evaluate "How does stacking different best management practices impact the potential for phosphorus loss"? **This question was evaluated on 35 fields in 2016 and the data is contained in table 16 on page 28.**

To determine the impact of applying more than one best management practice, we first ran the SNAP calculation with all the practices in place. Then one practice was removed from the field and the numbers were entered into the table for that practice. Then the practice that was removed was added back to the field and the second practice was removed. Those numbers were then entered into the spreadsheet for that practice. Finally both best management practices were removed from the field and the impact on the potential phosphorus loss was recorded. The data contained in table 16 are from a single year and compare fields with and without both practices. The phosphorus reductions for these fields appear in the individual practice sections of the report (LDMI, strip tillage and cover crops) so the reductions in predicted phosphorus loss for each single practice are not provided using the data in table 16.

Table 16 Changes in Phosphorus loss from combining practices

2016 Phosphorus Report: Farm Combination Practices																							
		Without Tillage / cover crops						With Tillage / Cover Crops						Pounds			Without practices	With practices	Changes from 2016				
Acres	Soil Type	Soil Symbol	Slope	Soil Test P (ppm)	Rotated PI	Annual PI	Part (PI)	Soluble P (%)	Rotated PI	Annual PI	Part (PI)	Soluble P (%)	Annual Change (lb/acre)	Annual Change (lb/field)	Tolerable Soil Loss (ton/acre)	Calculated Soil Loss (ton/acre)	Calculated Soil Loss (ton/acre)	Soil Loss from 2016 (ton/acre)	Critical Soil	Soil Symbol	Soil Used	Yahr's Stream	
4.0	Kidder	KrC2	28%	57	4	6	4.8	0.8	3	3	2.6	0.2	2.8	11.2	5	4.7	4.0	-0.7	Kidder	KrC2	KrC2	64	
6.8	St Charles	ScB	4%	15	3	3	2.8	0.1	3	1	1.1	0.1	1.7	11.6	5	2.8	2.3	-0.5	St Charles	ScB	ScB	64	
7.9	Griswold	GWD2	16%	27	4	9	8.2	0.3	1	1	0.6	0	7.9	62.4	4	4.5	0.9	-3.6	Griswold	GWD2	GWD2	64	
8.1	Griswold	GWD2	16%	21	3	8	7.5	0.3	4	1	0.6	0	7.2	58.3	4	4.0	0.6	-3.4	Griswold	GWD2	GWD2	64	
8.4	Whalan	WxO2	16%	90	6	15	12.6	1.9	4	5	3.6	1.4	9.5	79.8	2	3.5	2	-1.5	Whalan	WxO2	WxO2	64	
8.4	St Charles	ScB	4%	13	3	3	2.6	0.1	3	1	1	0.1	1.6	13.4	5	2.8	2.3	-0.5	St Charles	ScB	ScB	64	
9.1	Dresden	DsB	2%	83	1	2	0.6	1.1	1	1	0.3	0.9	0.5	4.6	3	2.2	1.8	-0.3	Dresden	DsB	DsB	64	
9.8	Plano	PnB	4%	170	8	12	10.5	1.1	7	11	9	1.6	1.0	9.8	4	3.3	3.0	-0.4	Plano	PnB	PnB	64	
9.9	Plano	PnB	4%	56	6	4	2.8	1.1	5	2	1.8	0.2	1.9	18.8	5	4.2	3.8	-0.4	Plano	PnB	PnB	64	
10.0	Plano	PnB	2%	92	5	4	2.3	1.3	4	2	1.6	0.5	1.5	15.0	5	2.1	1.8	-0.3	Plano	PnB	PnB	64	
14.0	Plano	PnC2	9%	82	5	5	3.6	1.1	4	2	2.1	0.4	2.2	30.8	5	3.4	2.8	-0.6	Plano	PnC2	PnC2	64	
14.0	Elburn	EfB	3%	69	6	4	2.4	1.4	6	2	1.6	0.5	1.7	23.8	5	3.2	2.9	-0.3	Elburn	EfB	EfA	64	
14.5	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	132	8	15	14.4	0.6	8	14	12.9	0.9	1.2	17.4	5	6.3	5.7	-0.6	Plano	PnC2	PnC2	64	
16.0	Elburn	EoA	2%	64	2	1	0.7	0.7	1	1	0.5	0.8	0.1	1.6	5	0.6	0.6	0.0	Elburn	EoA	EoA	69	
20.1	McHenry	MdO2	10%	25	2	2	1.8	0.5	2	1	1.3	0.1	0.9	18.1	5	1.8	1.6	-0.2	McHenry	MdO2	MdO2	64	
20.3	Plano	PoA	4%	60	5	5	5.1	0.3	5	4	3.9	0.5	1.0	20.3	4	5.2	4.8	-0.4	Plano	PoB	PoB	64	
23.5	Kegonsa	KeB	2%	167	2	2	1.5	0.9	2	2	0.5	1.1	0.8	18.8	3	2.1	1.2	-0.9	Kegonsa	KeB	KeB	64	
27.5	Dresden	DsC2	9%	113	3	3	1.9	0.7	2	2	0.8	1.1	0.7	19.3	3	8.1	2.9	-5.2	Dresden	DsC2	DsC2	64	
28.0	Plano	PnB	4%	90	3	2	1.8	0.3	3	2	1.2	0.3	0.5	16.8	5	2.6	2.4	-0.2	Plano	PnB	PnB	64	
28.0	Plano	PnB	4%	64	3	2	1.7	0.2	2	1	1.1	0.3	0.6	14.0	5	2.7	1.4	-1.3	Plano	PnB	PnB	64	
30.0	Whalan	WxO2	9%	40	3	7	6.8	0.4	1	1	0.9	0.4	5.9	17.0	2	5	2	-3.0	Whalan	WxO2	WxO2	64	
31.1	Ringwood	RnC2	9%	75	5	12	10.1	1.5	4	6	5.9	0.5	5.2	16.7	5	3.4	3.0	-0.4	Ringwood	RnC2	RnC2	64	
34.0	St Charles	SaB	4%	49	2	5	4.3	0.2	1	2	1.6	0.3	2.6	88.4	5	1.3	1.4	0.1	St Charles	SaB	SaB	69	
38.4	Dresden	DsB	1%	115	2	3	0.4	2.8	2	2	0.2	2.2	0.8	30.7	5	1	0.8	-0.2	Dresden	DsB	DsB	64	
39.1	Dresden	DsC2	9%	118	8	13	11.1	1.4	4	4	3.5	0.9	8.1	316.7	3	6.2	3.3	-2.9	Dresden	DsC2	DsC2	64	
55.0	Plano	PfB	4%	119	2	2	1.2	0.6	2	2	0.8	0.7	0.3	16.5	5	1.4	1.4	0.0	Plano	PfB	PfB	69	
55.1	Kidder	KdO2	16%	17	6	5	5.2	0.3	2	2	2.1	0.2	3.2	176.3	5	6	2.3	-3.7	Kidder	KdO2	KdO2	64	
57.0	Kidder	KeB2	4%	46	3	5	4.4	0.2	2	2	1.7	0.3	2.6	148.2	5	1.5	1.6	0.1	Kidder	KeB2	KeB2	69	
90.0	Plano	PIA	1%	48	1	1	0.4	0.2	1	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	18.0	5	0.3	0.3	0.0	Plano	PoA	PoA	69	
99.0	Dresden	DsB	4%	47	1	1	0.8	0.1	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.5	49.5	3	0.7	0.8	0.1	Dresden	DsB	DsB	69	
110.0	Batawa	BBA	9%	16	2	1	0.7	0.1	0	1	0.5	0.1	2.2	22.0	4	1.4	1.5	0.1	Batawa	BbC2	BbC2	69	
114.0	St Charles	SaB	4%	27	3	4	3.7	0.1	1	2	1.4	0.2	0.2	230.8	5	1.3	1.4	0.1	St Charles	SaB	SaB	69	
117.0	Plano	PmA	1%	40	1	1	0.4	0.2	1	0	0.3	0.2	0.1	11.7	4	0.4	0.5	0.1	Plano	PmA	PmA	69	
121.0	Plano	PIA	4%	40	1	1	1.1	0.2	1	1	0.5	0.2	0.6	72.6	5	0.4	0.4	0.0	Plano	PIA	PIA	69	
153.0	Dresden	DsB	4%	33	2	1	1.1	0.2	1	1	0.7	0.2	0.4	61.2	3	1.2	1.2	0.0	Dresden	DsB	DsB	69	
35	Fields																						
			Average Soil Test P	66.29													Average Change in Soil Loss	-0.88	Acres Stream Reached				
100,432.0	Total Acres												2.23	100,067.1					62	0.0			
			Maximum	170.0													Greatest Increase in Soil Loss	0.1	63	0.0			
			Minimum	13.0													Greatest Decrease in Soil Loss	-5.2	64	466.0	32.5%		
													0.1						65	0.0			
																	#Fields Increasing Soil Loss	6	66	0.0			
																	#Fields Decreasing Soil Loss	5	69	966.0	67.46%		
																		Total	69	1432.0			

However, for the purposes of the discussion the three cost shared practices (cover crops, low disturbance manure injection and strip tillage) were evaluated on fields that had multiple practices applied. The 2016 data set did not contain any fields that had all three practices and in all cases one of the practices was cover crops in combination of either LDMI or strip tillage.

The 35 fields totaled 1,432 tillable acres and contained a range in estimated phosphorus reduction for these fields of 0.1 to 9.5 lbs per acres (all positive). Of the 35 fields none showed a negative potential phosphorus reduction. **The average phosphorus reduction for these fields was 2.23 lbs per acre.** If we take the averages for the three practices included in the combined data it appears that conducting two practices on a field produces less phosphorus reduction than the combination of each practice:

- Strip Tillage Average P reduction = 0.89 pounds per acre
- LDMI Average P reduction = 0.88 pounds per acre
- Cover Crops Average P reduction = 1.48 pounds per acre

Farm	Average impact of cover crop (lbs/acre)	Average impact of tillage (lbs/acre)	Predicted impact of both practices (lbs/acre)	Difference between CC+tillage and implementing both practices (lbs/acre)	Acres with both practices	Change from adopting 2 practices (pounds for the farm)	Stream Reach	Additional Phosphorus Reduction in Stream Reach
1	0.02	0.54	1.70	1.14	966.0	1101.2	69	1101.2
2	0.00	1.80	7.55	5.75	16.0	92.0	64	-16.7
3	0.25	0.30	0.55	0.00	56.0	0.0	64	
4	0.80	0.87	1.07	-0.60	44.6	-26.8	64	
5	2.91	2.20	2.31	-2.80	103.1	-288.7	64	
6	1.15	0.20	1.65	0.30	15.2	4.6	64	
7	1.63	1.19	3.69	0.88	231.1	202.2	64	
					1432.0	1084.6		

Table 17 Phosphorus reductions for the 7 farms with two practices on a field

However, using the averages for all the farms participating in the cover crop, strip tillage and the low disturbance manure injection programs would lead to an incorrect conclusion. The data in table 17 was derived from each of the 35 fields participating in the combination of practice program. The data shows the averages by farms instead of each field. Six of the seven farms had a reduction in phosphorus loss through the adoption of cover crops, one farm saw no benefits to cover crops on these fields. All of the farms had a reduction in phosphorus loss through the adoption of reduced tillage with the range being from 0.2 to 2.20 pounds per acre. All of the farms also had a reduction in phosphorus loss through the adoption of two practices with the range being from 0.55 to 7.55 pounds per acre. The center column shows the difference between adopting two practices and the sum of the cover crop and reduced tillage programs. **For the 7 farms in this program:**

- ✓ Two had a lower predicted phosphorus loss than the sum of cover crops and tillage,
- ✓ One had no difference between the combination of practices and the sum of the 2 practices,
- ✓ Four had higher predicted phosphorus loss than the sum of cover crops and tillage.

It is important to note here that combining practices had a higher average (2.23 lbs per acre) than any one of the individual practices (strip tillage = 0.89; LDMI = 0.91; and cover crops = 1.48 lbs per acre). This information is exactly what the YPF's board had expected but had never previously calculated. However, after running many of these calculations it cannot be said that combining practices will in every case increase the potential for phosphorus reduction. Reductions are strongly influenced by tillage, slope and the practices being replaced.

There are some general conclusions that can be derived from this data set:

- **YPF needs to continue promoting the use of more than one conservation practice on a field in order to have adequate sample numbers to clearly identify the impact of two or more practices,**
- **The range in the difference between the combination of practices and the sum of two practices is wide (-2.8) to 5.75 and more work needs to be done to determine on what types of farms and fields the implementation of two practices is most beneficial,**
- **The combination of practices provided the greatest reduction in phosphorus loss at 2.23 pounds per acre,**
- **The combination of practices reduced phosphorus losses in 2016 by 1,085 pounds over the sum of the individual practices.**

The seven farms participating in the combination of practices received a bonus payment. This year's bonus was \$15 per acre for up to 103 acres of cropland with a total bonus payment of \$5,100.

The cropland enrolled in this program reduced phosphorus loss by 1,085 pounds over what was provided by the individual practices. Therefore the cost per pound of phosphorus was:

\$5,100 in bonus payments / 1,085 pounds of phosphorus reduced =

\$ 4.70 per pound of phosphorus

7. Multiple Years of Best Management Practices

A. Multiple Years of one practice:

The final question that YPF decided to evaluate was “How important are continuous multiple years of practice implementation”? In other words, instead of thinking about cost sharing a practice for one or two years, what happens if the practice becomes an integral part of the farming system? That’s what happened on many farms that experimented with no-till. The first few years were often challenging, but the farmers determined that the benefits to this farming system out-weighed the negatives and they worked to perfect the system on their farms.

Table 19 (pages 32 – 35) contains the data from the 22 fields that have cooperated in the YPF cost share program and have implemented the same practice on a field for at least 3 years in a row. The fields in this analysis were planted to a variety of crops but many of the fields in this data set were planted to continuous corn silage. The use of a cover crop lowered the soil losses and the Phosphorus Index to an acceptable level for many of these fields and to continue to harvest corn silage some conservation practices need to be adopted.

There are probably several ways to calculate the impact of multiple year implementation of a practice but for this project the reductions in the potential loss of phosphorus were only taken on the 2016 crop year. When looking at the data in table 19, the initial year is the field without the practice being implemented. The second line (2016) shows the implementation of the practice and the changes to annual soil loss, rotational Phosphorus Index, annual Phosphorus Index, annual particulate phosphorus loss and annual soluble phosphorus loss. The lines following the 2016-year show the impact of adopting the practices in prior year on the field in 2016. There were reductions in phosphorus loss in each of the preceding years (2012 – 2014), but for the purpose of this analysis these reductions are not credited.

Table 18 contains a summary of the average phosphorus reduction on these 22 fields, the total reduction per field and the total reduction for the multiple year single practice program.

P reduction per acre	P reduction for field	P reduction per acre	P reduction for field	P reduction per acre	P reduction for field	Average P reduction / acre
0.2	1.5	0.9	26.4	0.2	2.0	1.03
0.0	0.0	2.7	37.8	3.6	20.5	
0.9	4.4	1.2	16.8	0.5	10.0	Total P reduction in pounds
4.0	30.8	0.5	4.9	0.2	2.1	
0.4	12.4	1.1	6.5	1.0	7.4	296.9
0.2	6.7	0.2	1.6	2.5	40.8	
-0.1	-5.5	0.5	15.9			90.5 lbs in S.R. - 63
1.8	47.7	0.2	6.2			206.4 lbs in S.R. - 64

Table 18 Average phosphorus reductions per acre and total phosphorus reduction in field for multiple years of one practice

Table 19 Phosphorus reductions for multiple years of implementing one practice

Multiple Years of Implementing a Practice											
Field Size	Slope	Tolerable Soil Loss	Year of Cover Crop	Actual Soil Loss	Rotational PI	Annual PI	Particulate Phosphorus	Soluble Phosphorus	Impact of CC over preceding Year	Phosphorus reduction in 2016 practice section	Change Due to Multiple Years
7.5	1%	2	None	0.1	1	2	0.3	1.7			0.2
			2016	0.1	1	1	0.3	1.2	0.5		per acre
			2015	0.1	1	1	0.3	1.2	0.0		
			2014	0.1	1	1	0.2	1.2	0.1		1.5
									0.6	0.4	field
26.7	1%	5	None	0.2	1	1	0.1	1.3			0.0
			2016	0.3	1	1	0.1	1.3	0.0		per acre
			2015	0.3	1	1	0.1	1.3	0.0		
			2014	0.3	1	1	0.1	1.3	0.0		0.0
									0.0	0.0	field
4.9	4%	4	None	6.1	7	7	6.4	0.6			0.9
			2016	5.5	6	3	3.0	0.5	3.5		per acre
			2015	4.9	6	3	2.8	0.4	0.3		
			2014	4.8	5	3	2.8	0.4	0.0		4.4
			2013	4.2	5	3	2.8	0.4	0.0		field
7.7			2012	3.5	4	3	2.8	0.4	0.0		
									3.8	2.9	
	9%	3	None	6.5	9	10	9.6	0.7			4.0
			2016	5.5	8	4	3.6	0.5	6.2		per acre
			2015	4.2	6	4	3.2	0.5	0.4		
			2014	3.2	4	4	3.2	0.5	0.0		30.8
									6.6	2.6	field
31.1	1%	5	None	1.5	4	4	2.3	1.6			0.4
			2016	1.3	3	2	1.0	1.3	1.6		per acre
			2015	1.2	3	2	0.9	1.2	0.2		
			2014	1.0	3	2	0.9	1.2	0.0		12.4
			2013	0.9	3	2	0.9	1.2	0.0		field
								1.8	1.4		

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Table 19 continued Phosphorus reductions for multiple years of implementing one practice

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Table 19 continued Phosphorus reductions for multiple years of implementing one practice

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One point that should be made from the data in table 19 is that while the reductions in phosphorus loss on a field for the most recent year of the practice (2016) generally peak out after three years (meaning that the influence of a practice appears to carry forward about 3 years), the impact on the annual losses each year shows up in the change in actual soil loss and the rotational Phosphorus Index numbers. As this data clearly shows the more years of practice adoption the lower the actual soil loss and rotational Phosphorus Index numbers.

The average predicted reduction in phosphorus loss based on this data is continuing to increase, however this is influenced by the slope and tillage system used on the farm. Farmers who have a field or two that they want to harvest as continuous corn silage may find that inserting a cover crop in between the corn crops and using a no-till corn planting system may help the field achieve acceptable levels of soil and phosphorus loss.

One challenge in this watershed is that many of the fields have hay in the rotation, which reduces the number of years for crediting the cover crop. A suggestion for YPF board to consider is to look at providing an incentive to farmers to maintain a living crop on the field throughout the rotation. Fields planted to corn, soybeans and small grain crops would require a cover crop after harvest to be considered in compliance with the program, while fields during the hay rotation are considered in compliance.

B. Multiple years of two practices

The data in tables 20 and 21 comes from those farms and fields that implemented two or more practices continuously on the same fields for 3 or more years. This data comes from a limited number of farms and represents only 12 fields so crop rotation and slope have a major impact on several of these fields. However, this data has a similar finding to the combined practices data.

One caution is that the 2016 cost share program data has been evaluated over a long period of time and in a number of different ways. This probably had an impact on the annual phosphorus reduction numbers from cover crops and strip tillage that were subtracted from the multiple years and multiple practices reduction figure. The author accepts all criticisms and can only say that the analysis and the ways to analyze the data underwent a significant number of revisions in an attempt to accurately represent the data. With multiple years and practices the impact of a practice on the year following implementation is large, however YPF is evaluating only the cost share year. Yahara Pride Farms needs a few more years of data in the multiple years and practices to be able to clearly draw conclusions.

Table 20 Phosphorus reductions from multiple years and practices

Multiple Years of implementing two practices											
Field Size	Slope	Tolerable Soil Loss	Year of Cover Crop	Actual Soil Loss	Rotational Pl	Annual Pl	Particulate Phosphorus	Soluble Phosphorus	Impact of CC over preceding Year	Phosphorus reduction in 2016 practice section	Change Due to Multiple Years
23.5	2%	3	None	3.8	3	3	1.6	1.0			-0.1
			2016	3.6	3	2	1.2	0.9	0.5		per acre
			2015	3.2	2	2	1.0	0.8	0.3		
			2014	2.6	2	2	1.0	0.8	0.0		-2.4
			2013	2.2	2	2	1.0	0.8	0.0		field
									0.8	0.9	
16.0	2%	5	None	1.2	2	3	2.0	0.6			0.3
			2016	1.1	2	2	1.9	0.5	0.2		per acre
			2015	0.9	2	2	1.8	0.5	0.1		
			2014	0.8	2	2	1.8	0.5	0.0		4.8
										0.0	per field
34.0	4%	5	None	3.4	2	3	2.5	0.2			0.6
			2016	2.6	2	1	1.2	0.2	1.3		per acre
			2015	2.5	2	1	1.1	0.2	0.1		
			2014	1.6	2	1	1.1	0.2	0.0		20.4
									1.4	0.8	per field
55.0	4%	5	None	2.9	3	4	3.9	0.5			0.4
			2016	2.8	3	4	3.6	0.5	0.3		per acre
			2015	2.1	3	4	3.5	0.4	0.2		
			2014	2.0	2	4	3.5	0.4	0.0		22.0
									0.5	0.1	per field
57.0	4%	5	None	3.8	3	2	1.4	0.2			-0.6
			2016	3.0	3	1	1.2	0.2	0.2		per acre
			2015	2.9	2	1	1.2	0.2	0.0		
			2014	1.9	2	1	1.2	0.2	0.0		-34.2
									0.2	0.8	field
90.0	1%	5	None	0.5	1	1	1.0	0.2			0.3
			2016	0.5	1	1	0.9	0.2	0.1		per acre
			2015	0.4	1	1	0.8	0.2	0.1		
			2014	0.3	1	1	0.8	0.1	0.1		27.0
									0.3	0.0	per field

Table 20 continued Phosphorus reductions from multiple years and practices

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Table 21 is a summary of the impacts of multiple years and practices on the field in 2016. This table contains that difference in reduction estimates from the annual cover crops and tillage changes and the additive impacts of multiple years.

P reduction in (lbs./ acre)	P reduction for field (pounds)	P reduction in (lbs./ acre)	P reduction for field (pounds)	Average P reduction / acre
(-0.1)	(-2.4)	0.1	9.9	0.18
0.3	4.8	1.0	110	
0.6	20.4	(-0.7)	(-79.8)	Total P reduction in pounds
0.4	22.0	0.6	70.2	
(-0.6)	(-34.2)	0.1	12.1	190.6
0.3	27.0	0.2	30.6	
				-2.4 lbs in S.R. - 64
				193.0 lbs in S.R. - 69

Table 21 Average phosphorus reductions per acre and total phosphorus reduction in field for multiple years and practices

Conclusion:

The 2016 Yahara Pride Cost Share Program has engaged a large number of farmers in one or more of the five cost share programs. This report provides information on the predicted reductions in phosphorus loss by farmers adopting one or more of these practices. The report provides both a total for the entire watershed and the reductions for each of the six stream reaches that Yahara Pride Farms is working with farmers on adoption of conservation systems.

The analysis of phosphorus reduction for the multiple year data probably under estimates the impact of the conservation systems. It focuses only on the last year of the rotation and doesn't take into account other changes in the field. Future analysis will attempt to do a better job of working to understand the impacts of multiple year and multiple practices on a field.

The headland-stacking program is the only program that has a dramatic potential reduction in soluble phosphorus loss. Consider that on a total of 50.4 acres of cropland, there was a 100.8 pound reduction in soluble phosphorus loss, while on 5,851 acres planted to cover crops we saw a 266 pound reduction in soluble phosphorus loss.

Finally, the estimated cost per pound of phosphorus reduced provided in this report reflect only the cost associated with the cost share. These numbers do not reflect the cost that farmers bare in adopting these conservation systems. The cost of seed, planting, killing and impact of the cover crop on yield have not been examined. The cost of handling manure twice and hauling to an approved stacking site and then to the field, also need to be considered. A report evaluating the cost to farmers for adoption should be done to accurately reflect the total cost of these programs. Protecting water quality is important to everyone, and everyone needs to be part of the solution.