

# Nutrient Leaching Update from S. Florida

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**2005/06:**  
**Sod Source and Effect of N**  
**Timing on N Leaching**

# Materials and Methods

## Sod Types (2)

1. Mineral: T1 (2.4%); T2 (2.6%); T3 (2.7%)
2. Organic: T1 (82%); T2 (80%); T3 (58%)

## Fert. Trts. (3)

1. No fertilizer
2. 50 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> at trial initiation
3. 50 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> 30 days after initiation

## N Source:

6-6-6 (total N, 2.35% ammonium-N & 3.65% urea)

## Irrigation Trts. (2)

1. ALT: 0.25" 2X/Daily for 30 days,  
then 0.50" every other day for 30 days
2. WO: 0.25" 2X/Daily for 30 days,  
then 0.50" at sign of wilt for 30 days

## Replications (3)

## Total Plots (36)

## Trials (3)

## Trial Duration:

T1: 3/05-5/05; T2: 9/05-11/05; T3: 3/06-5/06

Approximately 2 months, then sod removed  
and plots left fallow for 2 months



# Construction phase





**Organic sod installed**

**Flow-weighted nitrate-N concentrations, mg L<sup>-1</sup> (mean  $\pm$  std. dev.)  
for each factor during the 3 trials.**

	TRIAL 1	TRIAL 2	TRIAL 3			
	0-30DAI	31-60DAI	0-30DAI	31-60DAI	0-30DAI	31-60DAI
<b>Fertilizer</b>						
None	<b>10.5 <math>\pm</math> 6.7</b>	<b>1.5 <math>\pm</math> 2.1</b>	<b>3.8 <math>\pm</math> 4.0</b>	<b>0.6 <math>\pm</math> 1.1</b>	<b>11.3 <math>\pm</math> 17.1</b>	<b>0.12 <math>\pm</math> 0.39</b>
0DAI	<b>21.7 <math>\pm</math> 11.7</b>	<b>0.8 <math>\pm</math> 0.8</b>	<b>15.5 <math>\pm</math> 11.2</b>	<b>2.7 <math>\pm</math> 4.7</b>	<b>20.1 <math>\pm</math> 18.9</b>	<b>0.01 <math>\pm</math> 0.04</b>
30DAI	n/a	<b>0.5 <math>\pm</math> 0.3</b>	n/a	<b>14.7 <math>\pm</math> 15.8</b>	n/a	<b>0.00 <math>\pm</math> 0.00</b>
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	ns	ns	ns	*	ns	ns
<b>Irrigation</b>						
ALT	n/a	<b>0.8 <math>\pm</math> 1.4</b>	n/a	<b>7.3 <math>\pm</math> 13.7</b>	n/a	<b>0.00 <math>\pm</math> 0.00</b>
WO	n/a	<b>1.0 <math>\pm</math> 1.4</b>	n/a	<b>4.6 <math>\pm</math> 8.2</b>	n/a	<b>0.08 <math>\pm</math> 0.32</b>
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	---	ns	---	ns	---	ns
<b>Sod</b>						
Organic	<b>14.5 <math>\pm</math> 10.2</b>	<b>1.0 <math>\pm</math> 1.5</b>	<b>7.9 <math>\pm</math> 8.9</b>	<b>4.1 <math>\pm</math> 6.7</b>	<b>12.0 <math>\pm</math> 20.9</b>	<b>0.00 <math>\pm</math> 0.00</b>
Mineral	<b>13.6 <math>\pm</math> 9.9</b>	<b>0.8 <math>\pm</math> 1.3</b>	<b>7.5 <math>\pm</math> 9.4</b>	<b>7.9 <math>\pm</math> 14.4</b>	<b>16.4 <math>\pm</math> 14.8</b>	<b>0.08 <math>\pm</math> 0.32</b>
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns

ns and \* = P>0.05 and P<0.05

Irrigation was not tested for 0-30 days after initiation (DAI) since irrigation treatments were not initiated until DAI.

**Nitrate-N leaching, mg m<sup>-2</sup> (mean  $\pm$  std. dev.)  
for each factor during the 3 trials.**

**TRIAL 1**

**TRIAL 2**

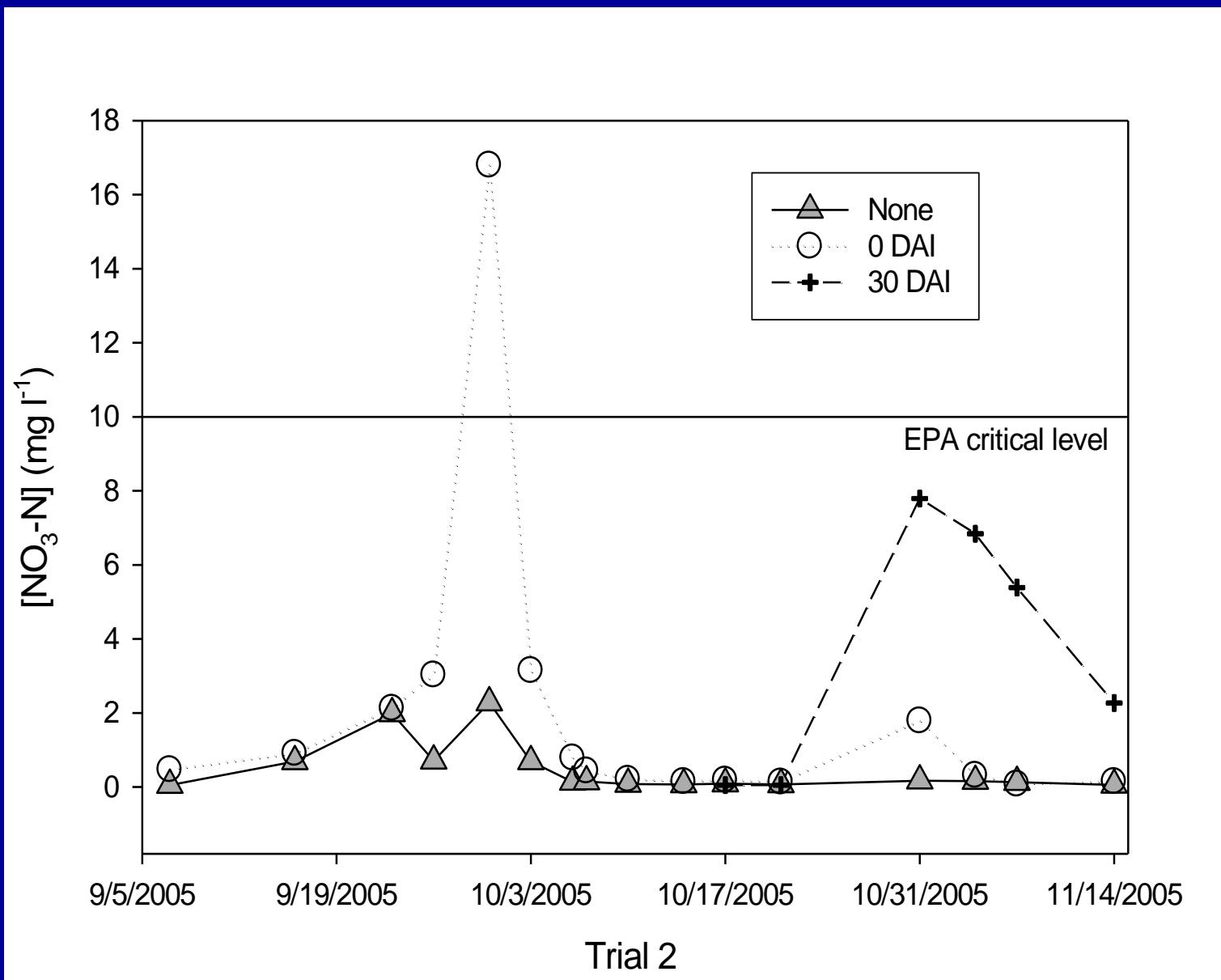
**TRIAL 3**

	0-30DAI	31-60DAI	0-30DAI	31-60DAI	0-30DAI	31-60DAI
<b>Fertilizer</b>						
None	581 $\pm$ 442	48 $\pm$ 80	543 $\pm$ 592	36 $\pm$ 56	1018 $\pm$	5.93 $\pm$ 20.3
0DAI	1040 $\pm$ 732	10 $\pm$ 5	2179 $\pm$	196 $\pm$ 361	1468	0.37 $\pm$ 1.23
30DAI	n/a	7 $\pm$ 9	1664 n/a	985 $\pm$ 1098	1818 $\pm$ 1698 n/a	0.02 $\pm$ 0.07
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	ns	ns	ns	*	ns	ns
<b>Irrigation</b>						
ALT	n/a	24 $\pm$ 50	n/a	519 $\pm$ 537	n/a	0.01 $\pm$ 0.06
WO	n/a	20 $\pm$ 51	n/a	292 $\pm$ 566	n/a	4.20 $\pm$ 16.6
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	---	ns	---	ns	---	ns
<b>Sod</b>						
Organic	678 $\pm$ 511	23 $\pm$ 52	1123 $\pm$	276 $\pm$ 443	1107 $\pm$	0.03 $\pm$ 0.14
Mineral	772 $\pm$ 653	22 $\pm$ 49	1269 1055 $\pm$ 1382	236 $\pm$ 999	1873 162 $\pm$ 1229	4.18 $\pm$ 16.6
<b>SIGNIF.</b>	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns

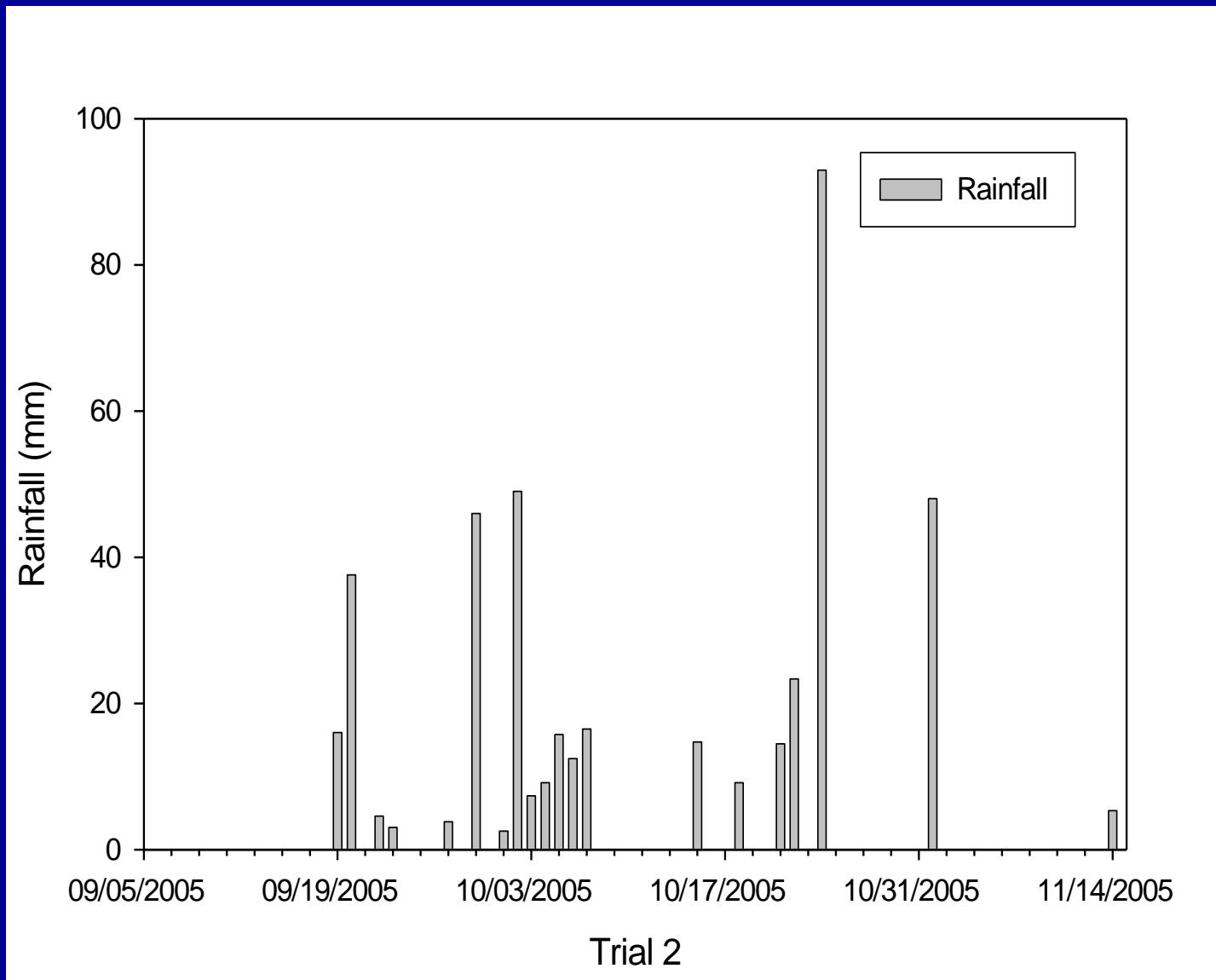
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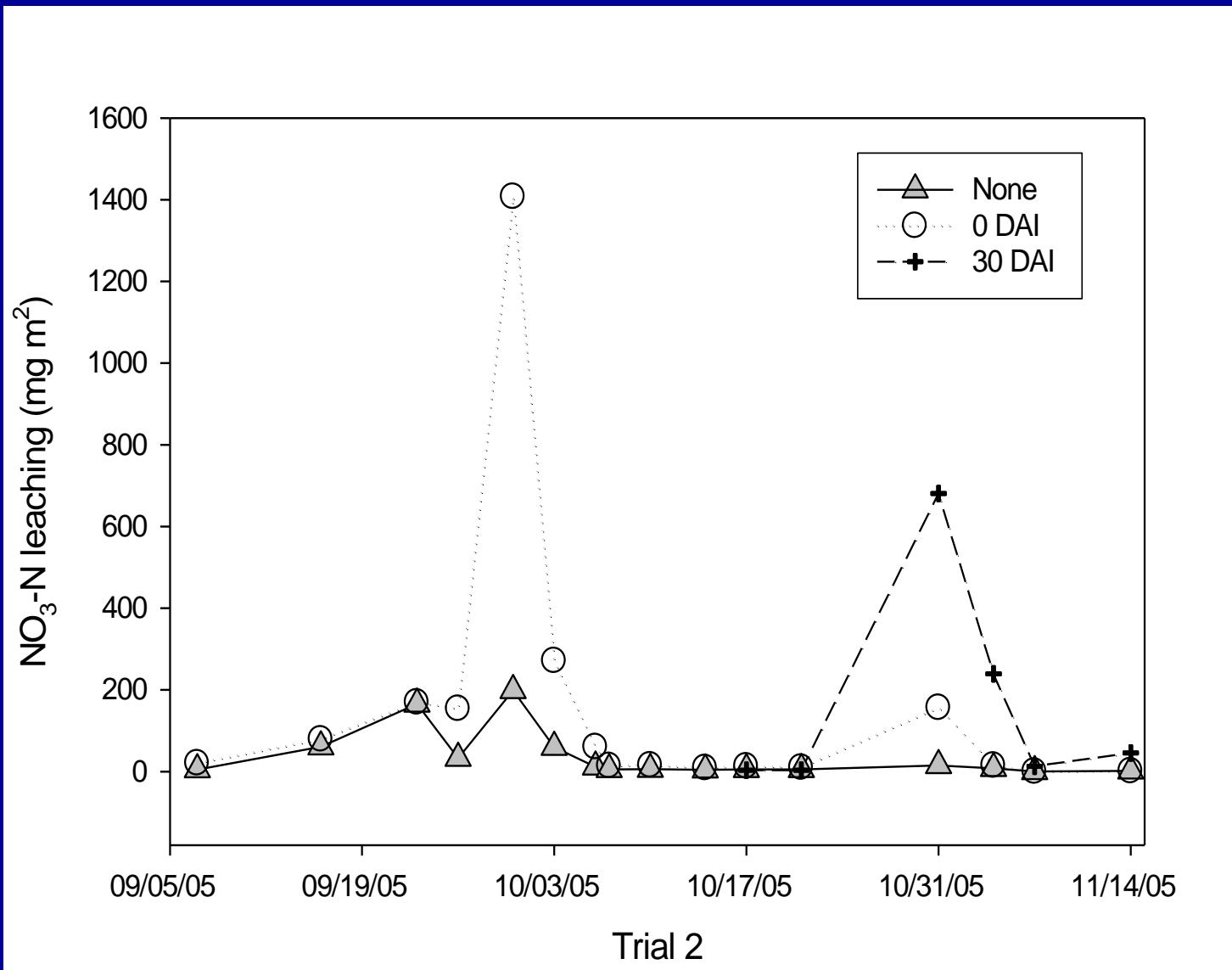
## Nitrate-N concentrations during Trial 2



# Trial 2 Daily Rainfall (mm)



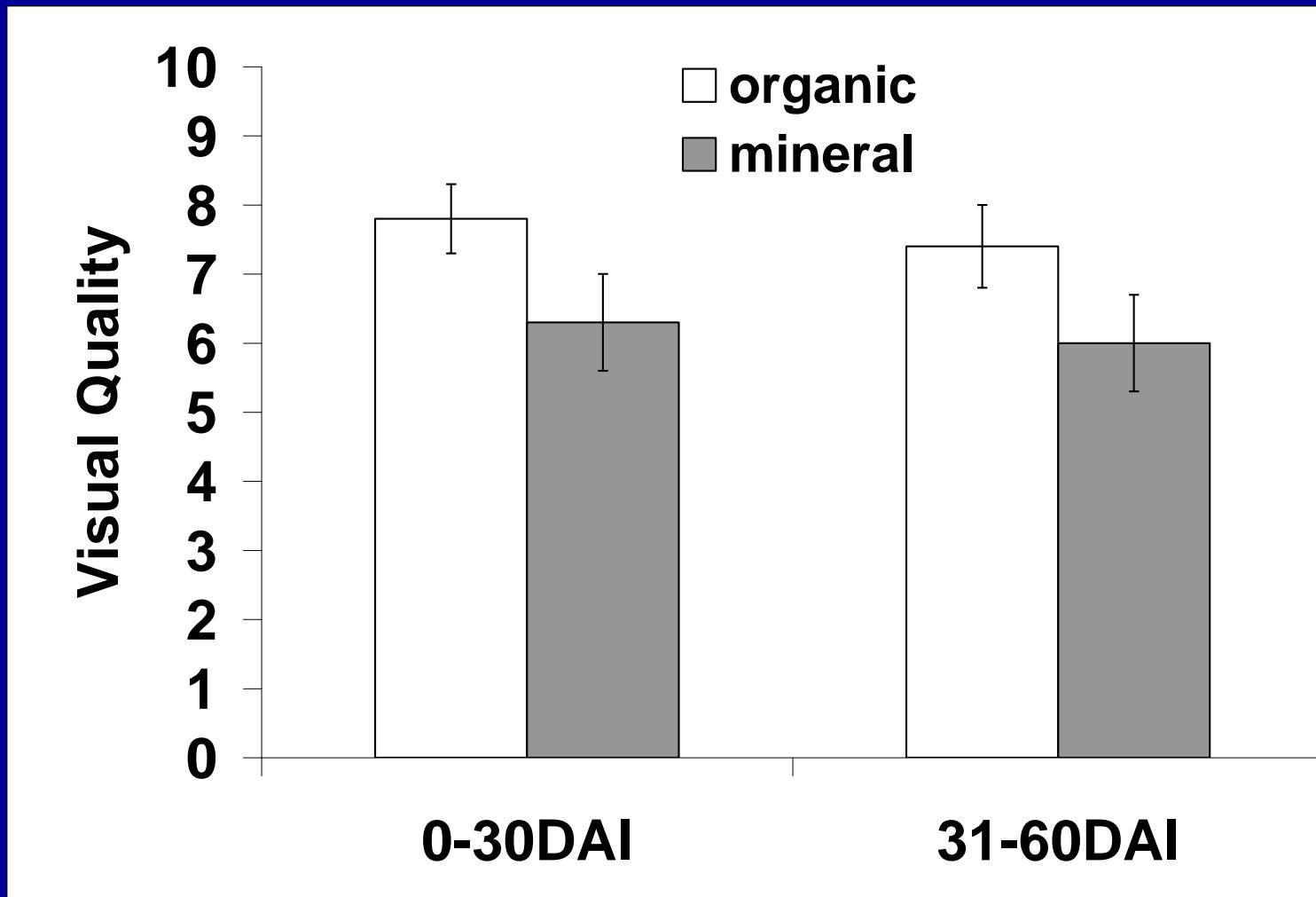
# Nitrate-N leaching during Trial 2





**Treatment differences**

# Trial 1 Visual Quality



# **Key Findings**

- Regardless of soil type, N mineralization from sod resulted in considerable nitrate-N leaching in the first 30 days.**
- The amount of nitrate-N leaching from fertilizing directly after sod installation mitigated the benefit of quality.**
- Evaluate other N sources?**

# The Influence of Nitrogen Source and Application Timing on NO<sub>3</sub>-N Leaching and Agronomic Responses of St. Augustinegrass

Augustinegrass  
Neil Young :Master of Science



# Materials and Methods

Grass:	St. Augustinegrass
N Rate:	300 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> .
Irrigation:	0.25inch 3X/week
Reps:	3
Total Plots:	36
Design:	Randomized Complete Block

# MATERIALS AND METHODS (cont.)

## N sources and applications frequencies

Fertilizer Source	Fertilizer Description	% N	Rate Kg ha <sup>-1</sup>	Application Freq./year	Fertilizer Manufacturer
CRL 1	Methylene urea + triazole liquid	30	50	6	Georgia-Pacific, Inc. Decatur, GA
CRL 2	Methylene urea + triazole liquid	30	100	3	Georgia-Pacific Inc. Decatur, GA
CRL 3	Methylene urea + triazole liquid	30	150	2	Georgia-Pacific Inc. Decatur, GA
PCU 1	Polymer coated urea	42	50	6	Pursell Inc., Sylacauga, AL
PCU 2	Polymer coated urea	42	100	3	Pursell Inc., Sylacauga, AL
PCU 3	Polymer coated urea	42	150	2	Pursell Inc., Sylacauga, AL
UPCU 1	PCU: urea	44	50	6	Pursell Inc. & PCS Sales, Inc
UPCU 2	PCU: urea	44	100	3	Pursell Inc. & PCS Sales, Inc
Urea	Urea	46	50	6	PCS Sales, Inc. Northbrook, IL
BS1	Composite bio-solid	6	50	6	Milorganite, Milwaukee, WI
BS2	Composite bio-solid	6	100	3	Milorganite, Milwaukee, WI
BS3	Composite bio-solid	6	150	2	Milorganite, Milwaukee, WI

# Results: Mean Flow-weighted NO<sub>x</sub>-N (MFWN) Averaged per Cycle for 49 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> Sources

- Mean weighted-flow = total NO<sub>x</sub>-N leached / total mean percolate.
- MCL = 10 mg L<sup>-1</sup> as N (Safe Drinking Water Act, 1974).

TREATMENT	2007					2008					
	--- Wet Season ---			- Dry Season -		--- Wet season ---			--- Dry Season ---		
	C1	C2	C3	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10	C11	C12
mg [NO <sub>x</sub> -N] L <sup>-1</sup>											
BSD1	0.62	0.44	0.47	0.40	0.39	0.75	0.59	0.46	0.40	0.30	0.33
PCU1	0.64	0.43	0.43	0.41	0.30	0.48	0.59	0.44	0.38	0.29	0.31
CRL1	0.54	0.73	0.43	0.76	0.45	0.47	1.51	0.50	0.42	0.32	0.45
UPCU1	0.62	1.81	0.41	0.40	0.40	0.51	0.62	0.50	0.43	0.32	0.39
UREA1	6.40	3.09	0.38	0.41	0.32	2.32	0.59	0.50	0.34	0.25	0.95
<b>CONTRAST</b>											
UREA1 vs. OTHERS	*	***	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
UREA vs. UPCU1	*	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
PCU1 vs. BS1	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
CRL1 vs. BS1 & PCU1	NS	NS	NS	**	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

NS, \*, \*\*, \*\*\* = P>0.05, P<0.05, P<0.01, P<0.001

## MWFN Averaged per Cycle for 98 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> Sources.

TREATMENT	2007			2008		
	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
mg [NO <sub>x</sub> -N] L <sup>-1</sup>						
BSD2	0.55	0.43	0.39	0.50	0.41	0.34
PCU2	0.53	0.55	0.35	0.48	0.43	0.26
CRL2	1.03	0.43	1.29	1.21	0.49	0.47
UPCU2	10.49	0.40	1.75	0.52	0.36	0.36
<b>CONTRAST</b>						
UPCU2 vs. OTHERS	**	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
CRL2 vs. BSD2 & PCU2	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
BSD2 vs. PCU2	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

NS, \*, \*\*, \*\*\*, = P>0.05, P<0.05, P<0.01, P<0.001

## MFWN Averaged per Cycle for 147 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> Sources.

TREATMENT	--- 2007 ---		----- 2008 -----	
	Wet Season		Dry Season	
	C1	C3	C4	
mg [NO <sub>x</sub> -N] L <sup>-1</sup>				
BSD	0.48	0.47	0.52	
PCU3	0.50	0.53	0.32	
CRL3	1.20	2.85	2.43	
<b>CONTRAST</b>				
CRL3 vs. BSD3 & PCU3	*	NS	**	
BSD3 vs. PCU3	NS	NS	NS	

NS, \*, \*\*, \*\*\*, = P>0.05, P<0.05, P<0.01, P<0.001

# Nitrogen budget of inputs vs. N accounted for by leaching and N uptake for C1 (April 30 - June 30, 2007).

SOURCE	N INPUTS		INORGANIC-N RECOVERED					
	FERT†	IRRIG‡	NO <sub>x</sub> -N	NH <sub>4</sub> -N	TN§	NUP¶	NL††	REC‡‡
		kg ha <sup>-1</sup>						%
BSD1	49	0.93	0.34	0.55	0.89	2.93	1.8	7.6
PCU1	49	0.93	0.35	0.57	0.93	1.16	1.9	4.2
CRL1	49	0.93	0.29	0.49	0.78	1.56	1.6	4.7
UPCU1	49	0.93	0.34	0.54	0.88	1.98	1.8	5.7
UREA1	49	0.93	2.75	0.49	3.25	3.41	6.5	13.3
CV (%)			23.4	17.1	21.7	40.4		26.2
<b>CONTRAST</b>								
UREA VS. OTHERS			**	NS	**	NS		**
UREA VS. UPCU1			*	NS	*	NS		*
CRL1 VS. BSD1, PCU1			NS	NS	NS	NS		NS
BSD1 VS. PCU1			NS	NS	NS	NS		NS

NS, \*, \*\*, \*\*\*, = P>0.05, P<0.05, P<0.01, P<0.001

† FERT: Fertilizer N applied per application cycle.

‡ IRRIG: N supplied via irrigation + precipitation.

§ TN: Total N (NO<sub>x</sub>-N plus NH<sub>4</sub>-N leachates).

¶ NUP: Relative Nitrogen uptake.

††NL: Nitrogen leached.

‡‡REC: Relative N recovery, the percent of inorganic-N recovered compared to N inputs.

# Nitrogen budget of inputs vs. N accounted for by leaching and N uptake for C2 (July 1 - August 31, 2007).

SOURCE	N INPUTS		INORGANIC-N RECOVERED					
	FERT†	IRRIG‡	NOx-N	NH4-N	TN§	NUP¶	NL††	REC‡‡
			kg ha⁻¹					%
<b>BSD1</b>	49	0.62	0.23	0.31	0.54	12.6	1.1	26.5
<b>PCU1</b>	49	0.62	0.23	0.34	0.57	5.26	1.2	12.2
<b>CRL1</b>	49	0.62	0.40	0.39	0.79	4.25	1.6	9.7
<b>UPCU1</b>	49	0.62	0.99	0.31	1.30	10.96	2.6	24.7
<b>UREA1</b>	49	0.62	2.31	0.60	2.91	15.43	5.9	36.9
<b>CV (%)</b>			16.8	22.7	13.2	12.0		13.8
<b>CONTRAST</b>								
<b>UREA VS. OTHERS</b>			**	**	**	*		NS
<b>UREA VS. UPCU1</b>			NS	**	NS	NS		NS
<b>CRL1 VS. BSD1, PCU1</b>			NS	NS	NS	NS		NS
<b>BSD1 VS. PCU1</b>			NS	NS	NS	NS		NS

NS, \*, \*\*, \*\*\*, = P>0.05, P<0.05, P<0.01, P<0.001

† FERT: Fertilizer N applied per application cycle.

‡ IRRIG: N supplied via irrigation + precipitation.

§ TN: Total N (NOx-N plus NH4-N leachates).

¶ NUP: Relative Nitrogen uptake.

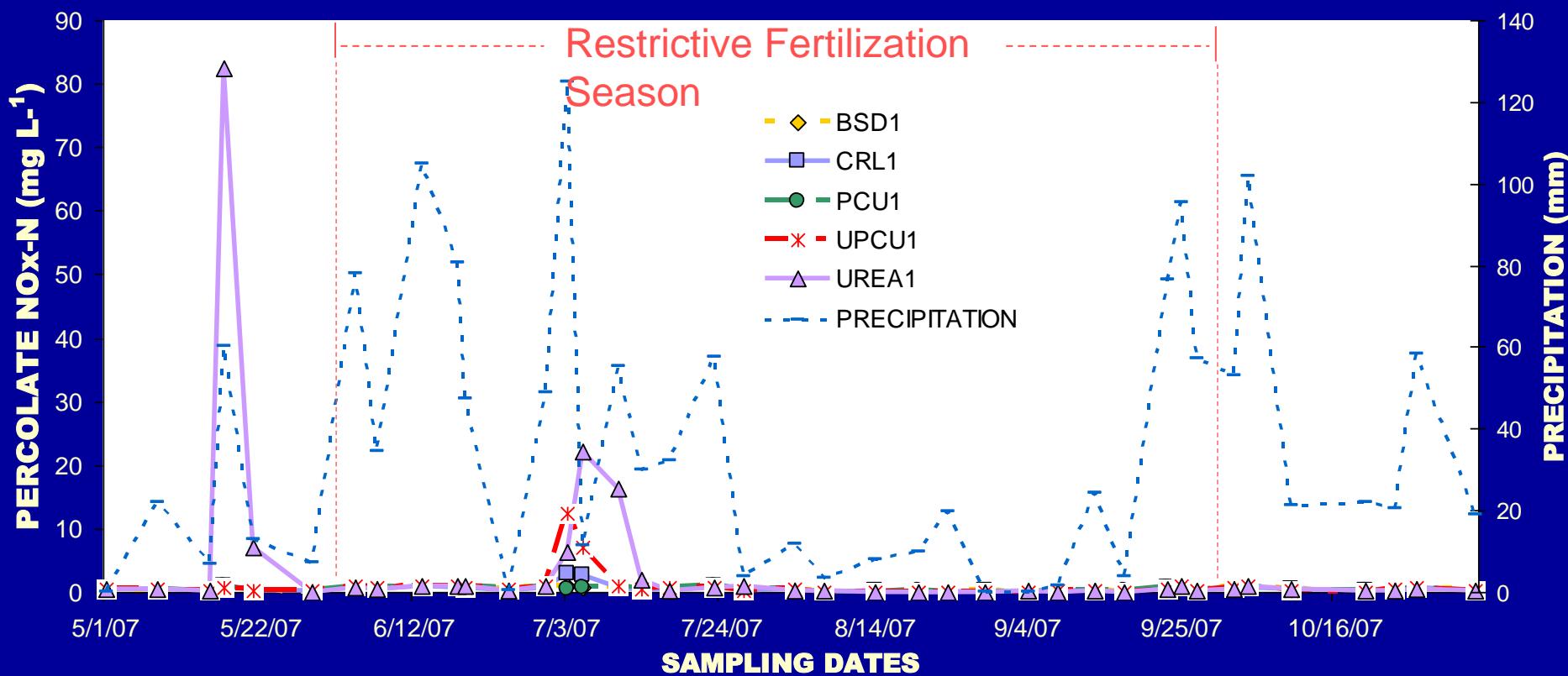
††NL: Nitrogen leached.

‡‡REC: Relative N recovery, the percent of inorganic-N recovered compared to N inputs.

# Nitrogen budget of inputs vs. N accounted for by leaching and N uptake for C4 (May 16 – Sept. 6, 2008).

SOURCE	N INPUTS		INORGANIC-N RECOVERED					NL††	REC‡‡ %
	FERT†	IRRIG‡	NO <sub>x</sub> -N kg ha <sup>-1</sup>	NH <sub>4</sub> -N	TN§	NUP¶			
<b>BSD2</b>	98	1.7	0.424	0.413	0.837	19.1	0.8	20.0	
<b>PCU2</b>	98	1.7	0.402	0.446	0.848	50.7	0.9	51.7	
<b>CRL2</b>	98	1.7	1.018	0.642	1.661	3.5	1.7	5.2	
<b>UPCU2</b>	98	1.7	3.185	0.370	3.555	27.5	3.6	31.2	
CV (%)			29.2	11.9	19.3	17.1		13.7	
<b>CONTRAST</b>									
<b>UPCU2 VS. OTHERS</b>			NS	NS	NS	NS		NS	
<b>CRL2 VS. BSD2, PCU2</b>			NS	*	NS	***		***	
<b>BSD2 VS. PCU2</b>			NS	NS	NS	**		**	

# Individual Sampling Event Percolate [NO<sub>x</sub>-N] Conc. for N sources at 49 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> (April 30 – October 30, 2007).



**St. Augustinegrass response from Polygon® 42 applied at 1 lb N 1000ft<sup>-2</sup> on 60 day application intervals. Application dates were 04/30/07, 06/30/07, and 08/30/08.**



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06/20/07



07/11/07



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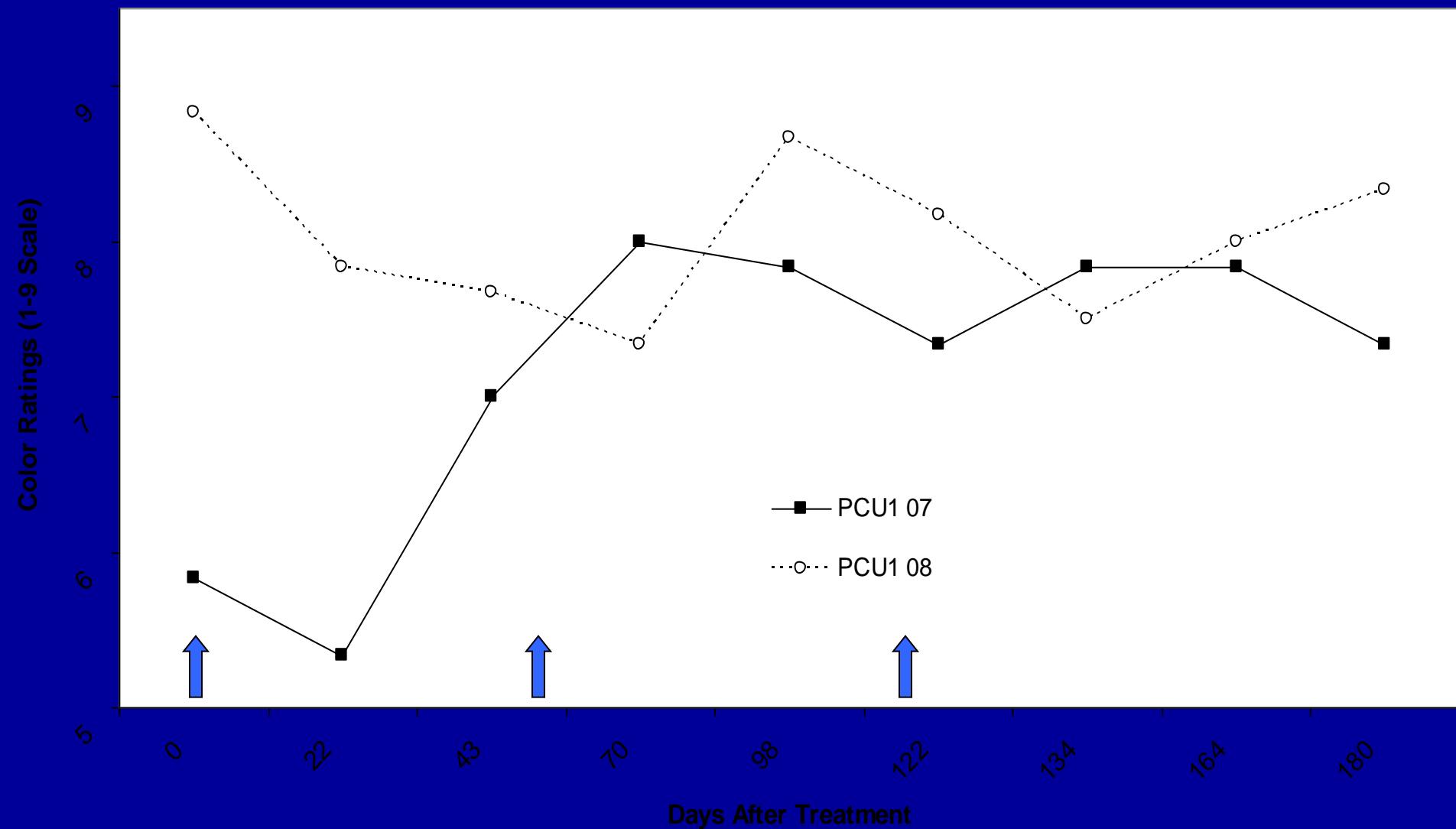


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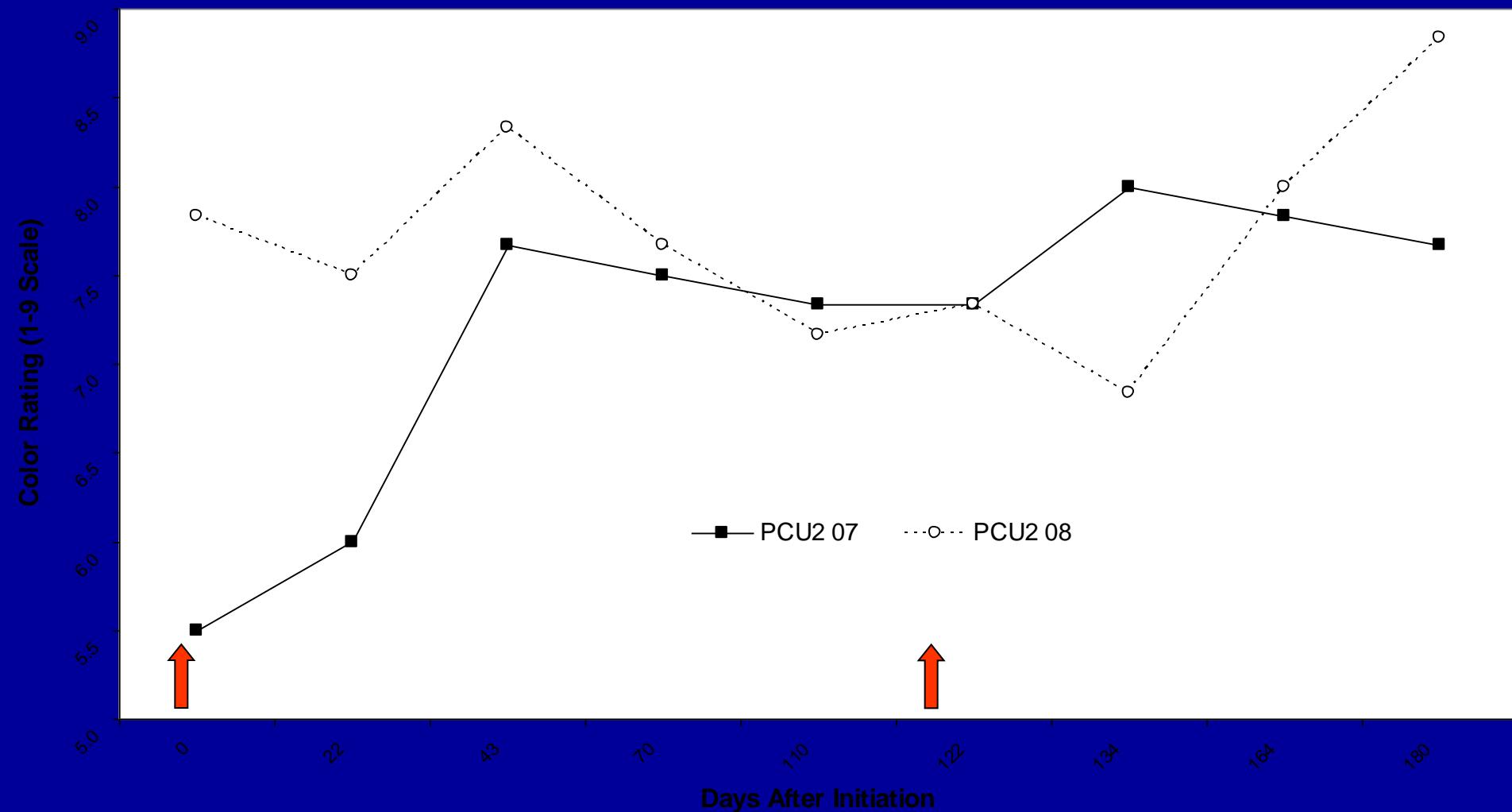


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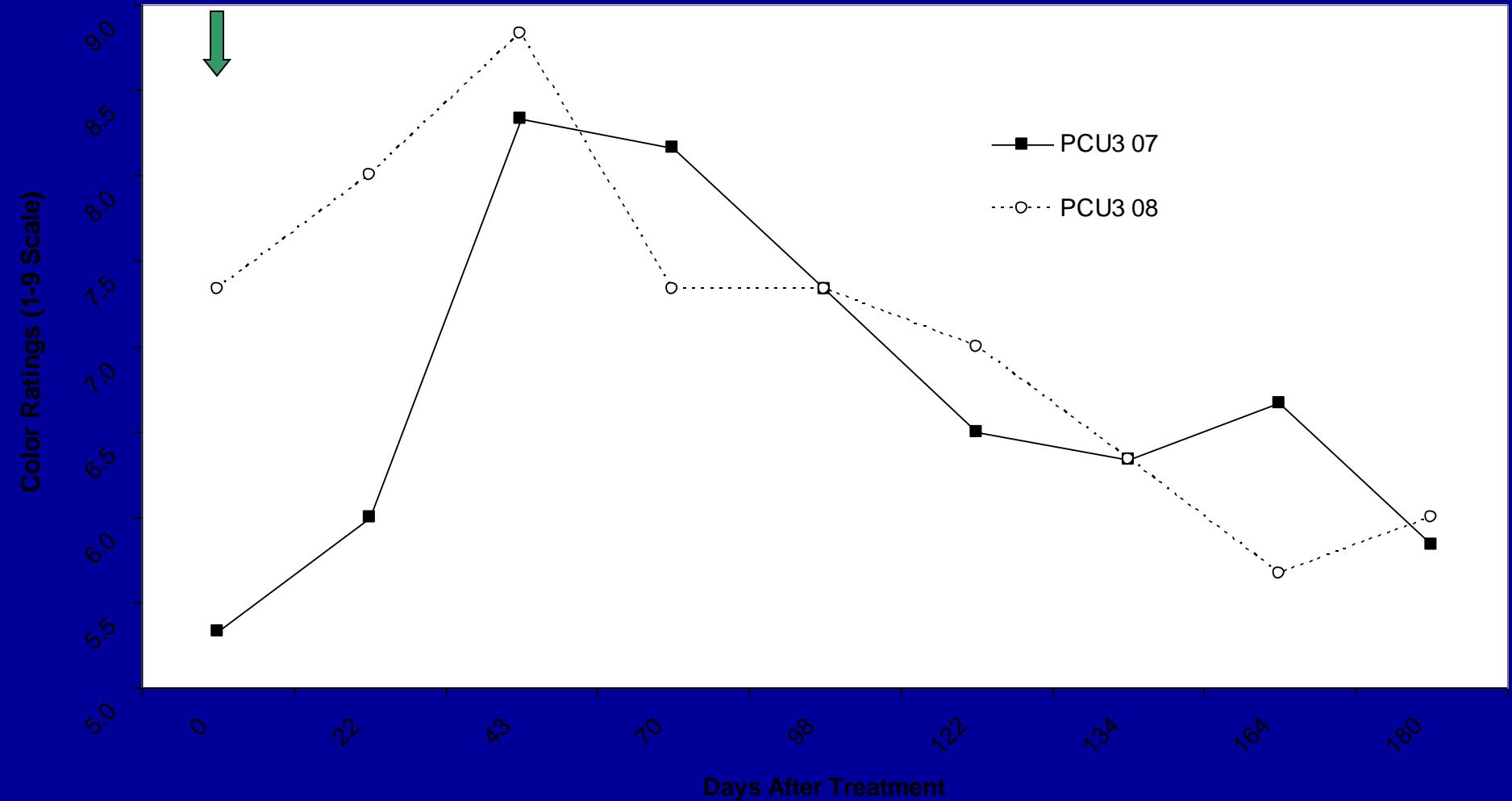
**Comparison of St. Augustinegrass color response from  
Polyon® 42 @ 1 lb N 1000ft<sup>2</sup> over three, 60 day cycles from  
the summers of 07 and 08. Blue arrows indicate fertilization**



**Comparison of St. Augustinegrass color response from  
Polyon® 42 @ 2 lb N 1000ft<sup>2</sup> over two, 120 day cycles from  
the summers of 07 and 08. Red arrows indicate fertilization  
events.**



**Comparison of St. Augustinegrass color response from Polygon® 42 @ 3 lbs N 1000ft<sup>2</sup> over a 180 day cycle from the summer of 07 and 08. Green arrows indicate fertilization events.**



# **2008: Nitrogen Leaching on Established St. Augustinegrass and Bahiagrass as Affected by N Rate and Irrigation**

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**FLREC Field Day 2008**

# Materials and Methods

**Grasses:** St. Augustinegrass, Bahiagrass

**N Rates:** St. Aug. 98, 196, 294, and 588 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>.  
Bahiagrass 49, 98, 196, and 294 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>.

**N Source** Urea

**Application:** Bi-monthly

**Irrigation:** 0.5 inch 3X/week

0.1 inch daily & shut off when rain

**Reps:** 4

**Total Plots:** 64

# Experimental design

## Randomized complete block split plot

Irrigation regime (main plot (8 x 8 m)

X

N rates → (subplots 2 x 4 m)

X

4 Reps

# Maintenance

- Phosphorous and potassium applied at 196 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> and 392 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>, respectively
- Experiment plots were maintained at a height of 75 mm using a rotary mower
- Pesticides were applied according to their label when required
- Grass clippings were removed

# St. Augustinegrass quality Year 1

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
Irrigation Regime	-----Quality (1-10)-----					
Low	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.1
High	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.1	7.1	7.0
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	98	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.4
	196	6.8	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.8
	294	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.3
	588	7.5	7.9	8.0	8.3	7.9
Sig.	**	**	**	**	**	**
Irr. x N interaction	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

\*\*, and NS refer to  $P < 0.01$ , and  $P > 0.05$ , respectively.

# St. Augustinegrass volume-weighted average Year 1

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
†Irrigation Regime	-----NO <sub>3</sub> -N mg L <sup>-1</sup> -----					
Low	0.08	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.11
High	0.50	0.10	0.23	0.10	0.18	0.07
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> ). 98	0.10	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.07
196	0.20	0.14	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.09
296	0.80	0.12	0.40	0.16	0.20	0.15
588	0.08	0.12	0.10	0.07	0.12	0.06
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Irr. X N Interaction						
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

\*, and NS refer to  $P < 0.05$ , and  $P > 0.05$ , respectively

# St. Augustinegrass Leaching Year 1

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
Irrigation Regime	-----NO <sub>3</sub> -N mg m <sup>-2</sup> -----					
Low	9.9a	4.2	0.3a	3.0a	5.1a	1.8a
High	45.3b	15.0	2.1b	4.7b	14.7b	2.7b
Sig.	*	NS	*	*	**	**
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )						
98	1.2	1.1	0.2	0.9	2.9	1.0
196	2.1	1.6	0.2	1.4	1.6	3.3
296	0.7	0.7	0.1	1.1	3.2	0.7
588	9.0	9.7	1.2	1.6	5.6	0.8
Sig.	*	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Irr. X N Interaction						
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

\*, and NS refer to  $P < 0.05$ , and  $P > 0.05$ , respectively

# Bahiagrass Quality Year 1

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
Irrigation Regime	-----Quality (1-10)-----					
Low	7.1	7.0	6.7	7.1	7.1	7.2
High	7.1	6.8	6.7	7.3	7.1	7.0
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	6.9	6.3	6.3	6.9	6.9	6.8
49	7.0	6.8	6.7	7.2	7.0	7.0
98	7.2	7.0	7.8	7.2	7.1	7.3
196	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.6	7.3	7.3
294	**	**	**	**	**	**
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Irr. X N Interaction	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

\*\*, and NS refer to  $P < 0.01$ , and  $P > 0.05$ , respectively.

# Bahiagrass volume-weighted average Year 1

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
Irrigation Regime	-----NO <sub>3</sub> -N mg L <sup>-1</sup> -----					
Low	0.20	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05
High	0.80	0.30	0.09	0.07	0.10	0.05
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )						
49	0.40	0.11	0.05	0.09	0.08	0.05
98	1.40	0.50	0.06	0.05	0.09	0.06
196	0.08	0.06	0.13	0.05	0.07	0.05
296	0.09	0.11	0.06	0.07	0.11	0.5
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Irr. X N Interaction						
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

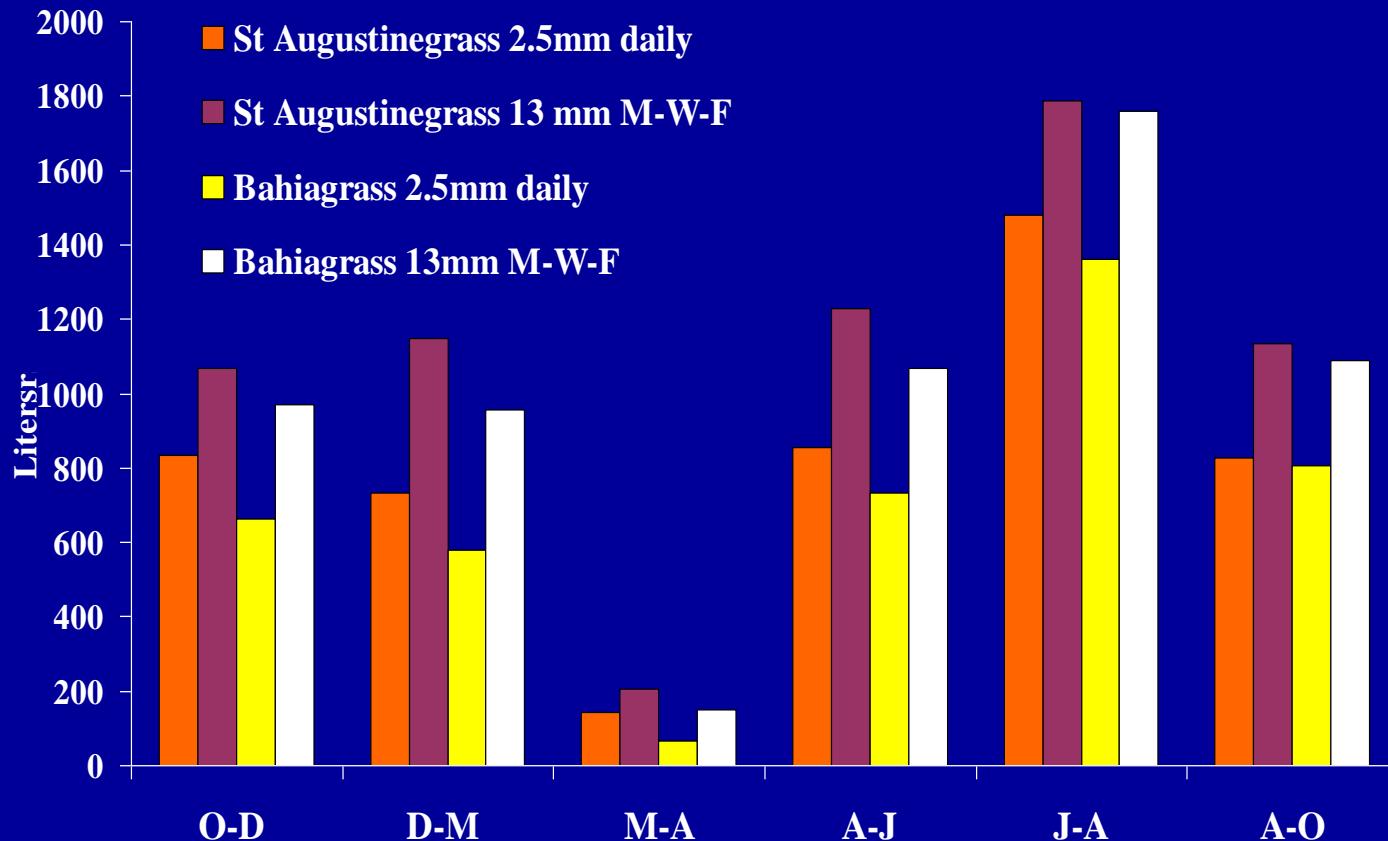
NS refer to  $P > 0.05$ , respectively.

# Bahiagrass leaching

Factor	O-D	D-M	M-A	A-J	J-A	A-O
Irrigation Regime	-----NO <sub>3</sub> -N mg m <sup>-2</sup> -----					
Low	0.7a	0.7	0.1a	0.7	1.4	0.6a
High	1.2b	0.6	1.2b	1.2	1.6	1.9b
Sig.	*	NS	**	NS	NS	**
N rate (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> ).						
49	0.6	0.8	0.1	0.7	1.4	1.2
98	1.0	0.8	0.1	1.4	1.7	0.8
196	1.0	0.7	0.1	0.9	1.4	2.2
296	1.3	0.5	0.1	0.6	1.4	0.8
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Irr. X N Interaction						
Sig.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

\*, and NS refer to  $P < 0.05$ , and  $P > 0.05$ , respectively.

# Total percolate



## Bahiagrass rates



# **2009 SUMMER BLACKOUT TEST**

# **Summer Blackout Test**

## **Materials and Methods**

<b>Grass:</b>	<b>St. Augustinegrass</b>
<b>N Rate:</b>	<b>2.0 lbs. N/1000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Irrigation:</b>	<b>0.25inch 3X/week unless voided by rain event</b>
<b>Reps:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total Plots:</b>	<b>36</b>

# N sources and manufacturers

Code	Description	%N	Manufacturer
URE	granular urea	46	PCS Sales, Inc. Northbrook, IL
UXCU	70:30 urea:xcu	45	
BS	sewage sludge bio-solid	5	Milorganite, Milwaukee, WI
PCU	polymer coated urea	41	Agrium Advanced Tech, AL
XCU	polymer coated urea	43	Agrium Advanced Technologies, AL

# Turfgrass quality ratings

TREATMENT	5/18	6/15	6/22	6/25	7/2	7/10	7/20	8/6
URE	6.8	7.8a	7.9a	8.2bc	7.3b	7.0	7.2a	6.6b
UXCU	6.8	7.8a	7.9a	8.6ab	8.1a	6.7	7.0a	6.8ab
BS	6.7	6.9bc	7.2b	7.8c	7.2b	7.3	7.3a	6.7b
PCU	6.7	6.5c	5.8c	5.7d	6.1c	6.8	7.3a	7.2a
XCU	6.5	7.2b	8.1a	9.0a	8.4a	6.9	7.4a	6.8ab
CHK	6.7	6.5c	6.0c	5.8d	5.7c	6.3	5.8b	5.4c
Signif.	ns	**	**	**	**	ns	**	**

ns and \*\* = P > 0.10 and P < 0.01

# Turfgrass quality ratings (cont.)

TRT	8/21	9/3	9/18	10/2	11/2	12/4
URE	6.4b	6.5ab	6.8b	6.7b	6.1b	6.1ab
UXCU	6.5b	6.2b	6.4b	6.4b	5.8b	5.7bc
BS	6.8b	6.7ab	7.2ab	6.8ab	6.3b	6.1ab
PCU	7.4a	7.0a	7.7a	7.5a	7.2a	6.3a
XCU	6.8b	6.6ab	6.7b	6.5b	6.2b	5.8bc
CHK	5.6c	5.4c	5.5c	5.3c	5.2c	5.4c
Signif.	**	**	**	**	**	**

ns = P > 0.10

# Turfgrass color ratings

TRT	5/18	6/15	6/22	6/25	7/2	7/10	7/20	8/6
URE	6.4	8.1a	8.3a	8.2b	7.7b	7.2	7.3a	6.7b
UXCU	6.6	8.0a	8.3a	8.4ab	8.5a	6.8	7.2a	7.1ab
BS	6.3	7.3b	7.4b	7.4c	7.4b	7.7	7.4a	7.0ab
PCU	6.3	6.8bc	6.3c	5.6d	6.3c	7.1	7.5a	7.4a
XCU	6.3	7.2b	8.6a	9.0a	8.6a	7.3	7.7a	7.3a
CHK	6.5	6.5c	6.1c	5.5d	5.8c	6.3	6.0b	5.6c
Signif.	ns	**	**	**	**	ns	**	**

ns and \*\* = P>0.10 and P<0.01

# Turfgrass color ratings (cont.)

TRT	8/21	9/3	9/18	10/2	11/2	12/4
URE	6.7b	6.8b	6.8b	6.2b	5.7a	6.5ab
UXCU	6.9b	6.6b	6.6b	5.9b	5.7a	6.2b
BS	6.9b	6.8b	7.1ab	6.3b	5.8a	6.6ab
PCU	7.4a	7.5a	7.5a	7.2a	5.9a	6.8a
XCU	7.0b	6.8b	6.9ab	6.2b	5.6ab	6.7a
CHK	6.1c	5.8c	5.8c	5.3c	5.3b	6.3ab
Signif.	**	**	**	**	*	+

\*\*, \*, and + = P<0.01, P<0.05, and P<0.10

# Turfgrass density ratings

TRT	5/18	9/3	9/18	10/2
URE	5.8	6.3b	6.7b	6.3b
UXCU	5.5	6.1b	6.4b	6.1bc
BS	5.5	6.3b	6.8ab	6.4b
PCU	5.8	7.1a	7.5a	7.3a
XCU	5.7	6.5b	6.5b	6.4b
CHK	5.8	5.2c	5.3c	5.8c
Signif.	ns	**	**	**

ns and \*\* = P>0.10 and P<0.05

# Turfgrass clipping yields (grams)

TRT	6/15	6/22	7/2	7/10	7/20
URE	15.6a	27.8a	46.2ab	36.8a	38.5b
UXCU	14.1a	23.2a	42.4b	33.1a	33.7b
BS	8.0b	11.9b	27.6c	30.0a	34.2b
PCU	7.8b	5.8b	10.1d	13.9b	21.4c
XCU	10.5ab	21.9a	55.3a	41.1a	48.7a
CHK	7.8b	3.9b	8.1d	8.2b	9.1d
Signif.	*	**	**	**	**

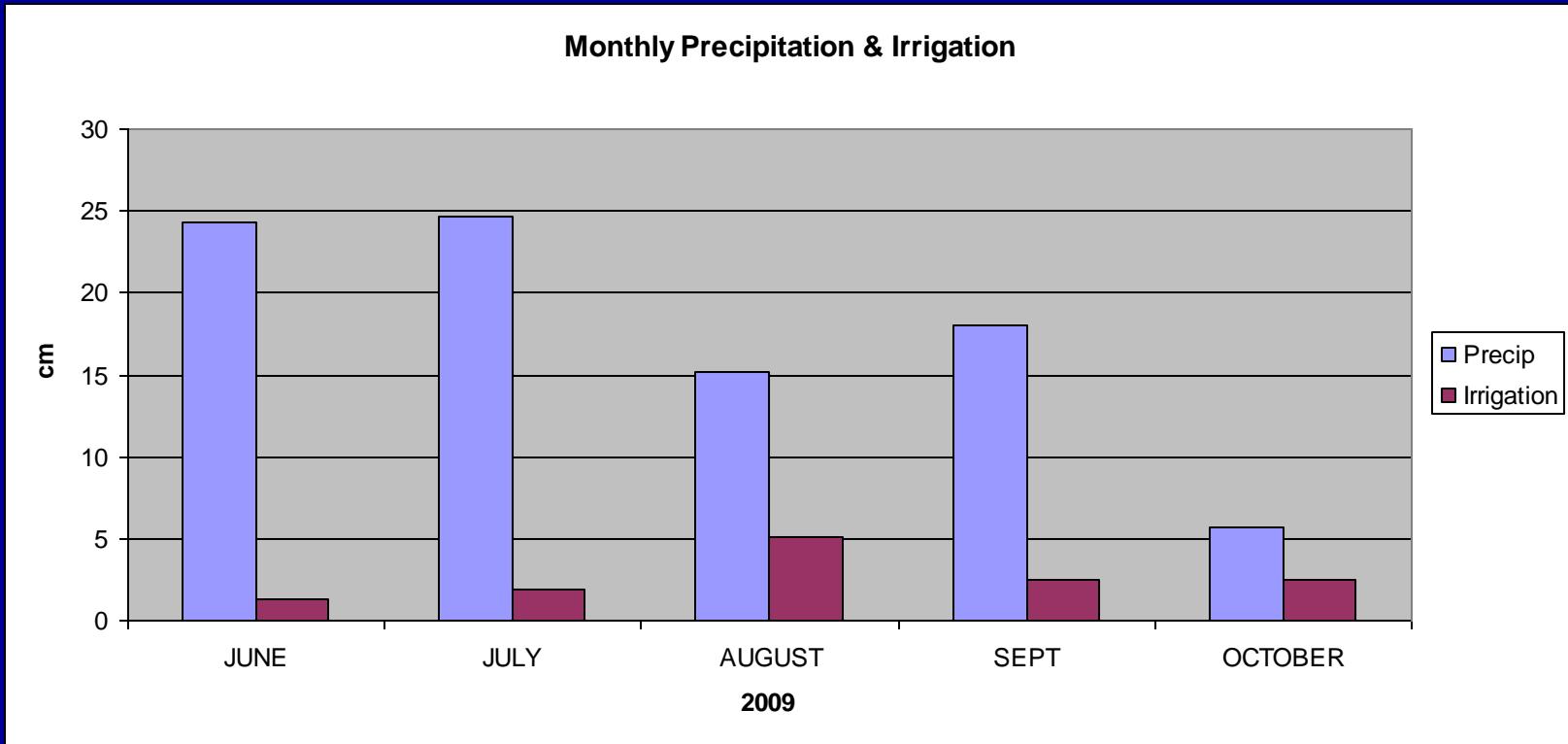
\* and \*\* = P<0.05 and P<0.01

# Turfgrass clipping yields (cont.)

TRT	8/6	8/21	9/3	9/18	10/2	11/2	12/9
URE	37.5b	36.8ab	13.8b	48.8b	34.6b	47.8ab	12.4
UXCU	31.5b	34.8b	12.1b	43.5b	32.2b	38.0b	5.8
BS	35.2b	37.3ab	15.8b	48.8b	35.1b	45.4ab	8.7
PCU	32.1b	48.5ab	27.9a	70.1a	53.6a	56.3a	9.9
XCU	51.4a	50.7a	18.5b	52.1b	35.1b	43.9b	6.6
CHK	8.8c	9.4c	3.9c	24.1c	14.2c	25.1c	4.5
Signif.	**	**	**	**	**	**	ns

\*\* and ns = P<0.01 and P>0.01

# Monthly ppt. & irrigation (cm)



# $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ leached ( $\text{mg m}^{-2}$ )

TRT	6/8	6/10	6/15	6/17	6/24	6/29
URE	9.3	6.5	1107.3a	799.5a	985.6a	24.7
UXCU	3.1	2.8	565.1ab	127.0b	522.4ab	38.7
BS	13.2	8.2	55.6b	28.4b	50.9b	24.5
PCU	5.1	5.3	22.7b	3.8b	34.4b	7.1
XCU	4.4	1.5	34.4b	18.6b	189.7b	32.9
CHK	0.8	0.3	4.5b	0.0b	9.1b	0.8
Signif.	ns	ns	**	**	**	ns

ns and \*\* =  $P>0.10$  and  $P<0.01$

# Total leached (mg m<sup>-2</sup>)

## 6/8/09—10/6/09

TRT	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	NH <sub>3</sub> -N	TOTAL N
URE	3111.2a	264.47a	3375.67a
UXCU	1596.4b	155.96b	1752.36b
BS	408.7bc	143.21b	551.91c
PCU	307.4bc	145.08b	452.48c
XCU	541.4bc	165.19b	706.59bc
CHK	20.5c	159.94b	180.34c
Signif.	**	+	**

ns and + = P>0.10 and P<0.10

Means with the same letter within a column are not significant according to Duncan's Multiple Range Test.



Pre-experiment: May 2009



July 2009



Post-experiment: December 2009

**2008-2010**

**Base Line Levels of Phosphorous Leaching  
from Soils with Varying Soil Test Levels**

# OBJECTIVES

- To determine the amount of phosphorous leached from soils categorized as: very low, low, medium, high and, very high by the UF Extension lab

# Experimental design

## Randomized complete block

P soil levels

(subplots 2 x 0.5 m)

X

4 Reps

# Grass Selected



- St Augustinegrass  
“cv. Floratam”



# Treatments

- 5 x Phosphorous soil levels determined by UF Extension Lab
  - 1.) V. Low soil P,
  - 2.) Low soil P,
  - 3.) Medium soil P,
  - 4.) High soil P,
  - 5.) V. High soil P,

# Materials and Methods



# Material and Methods cont.



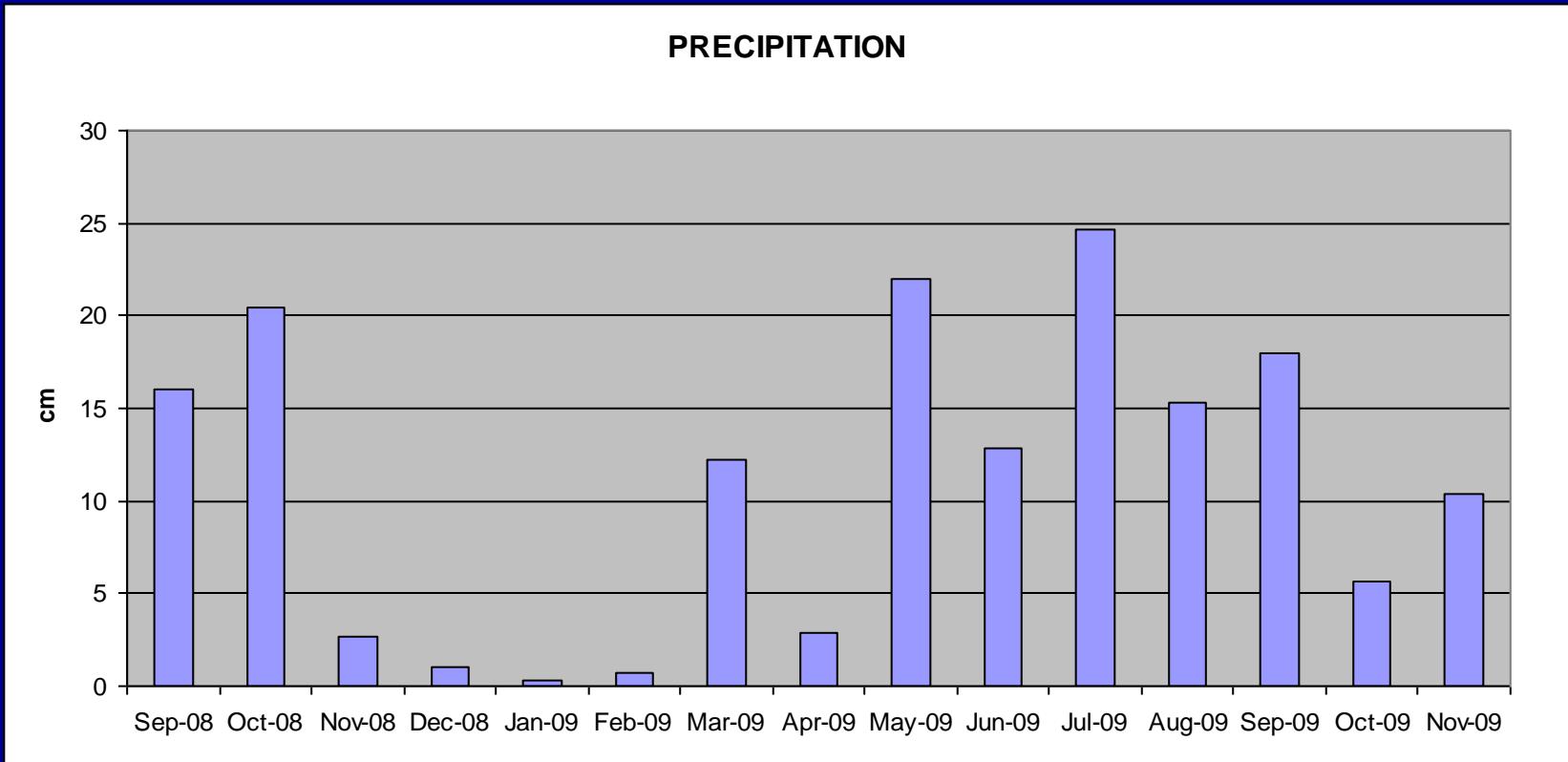
# Materials and Methods



# Materials and Methods cont.



# Precipitation (cm) during experimental period.



## Extension Soil Testing Lab soil P (ppm) results

SOIL TRT	8/30/08	4/1/09	10/10/09	4/22/10
V. LOW	7.5d	12.3b	9.3c	7.0b
LOW	11.3cd	14.3ab	9.5c	8.5b
MED	19.5c	30.5ab	11.5c	13..5b
HIGH	33.5b	34.0a	18.5b	14.0b
V. HIGH	55.5a	33.5a	31.8a	29.5a
Signif.	**	*	**	**

\*\* and \* = P<0.01 and P<0.05

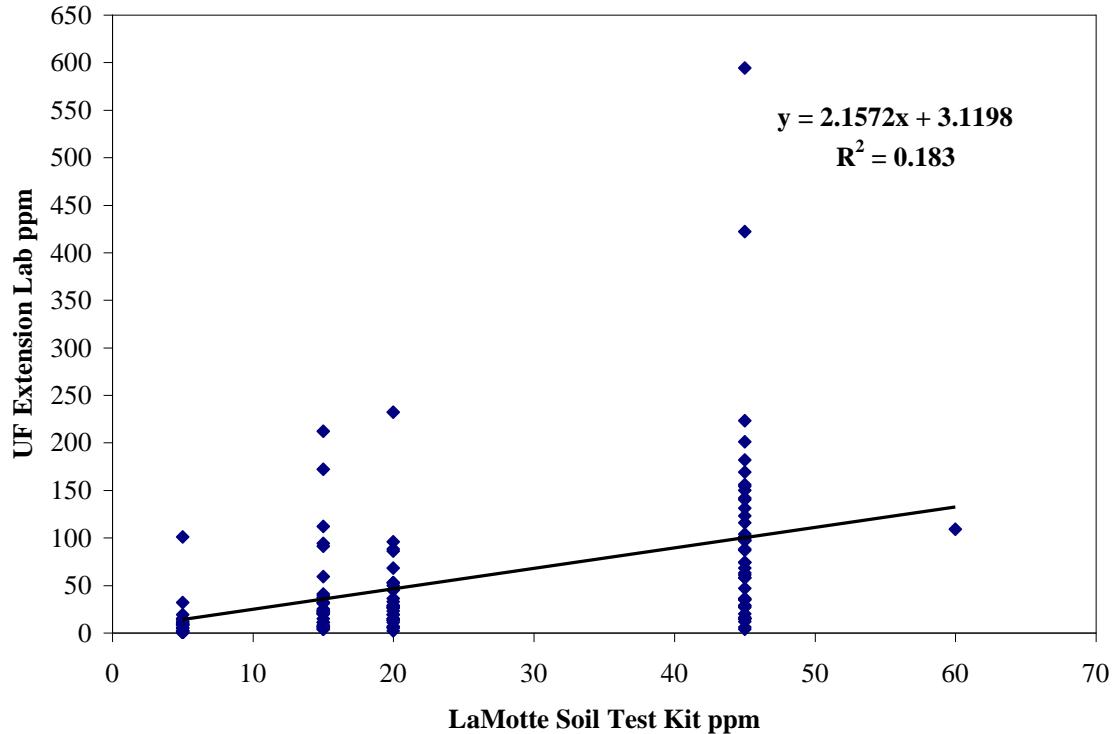
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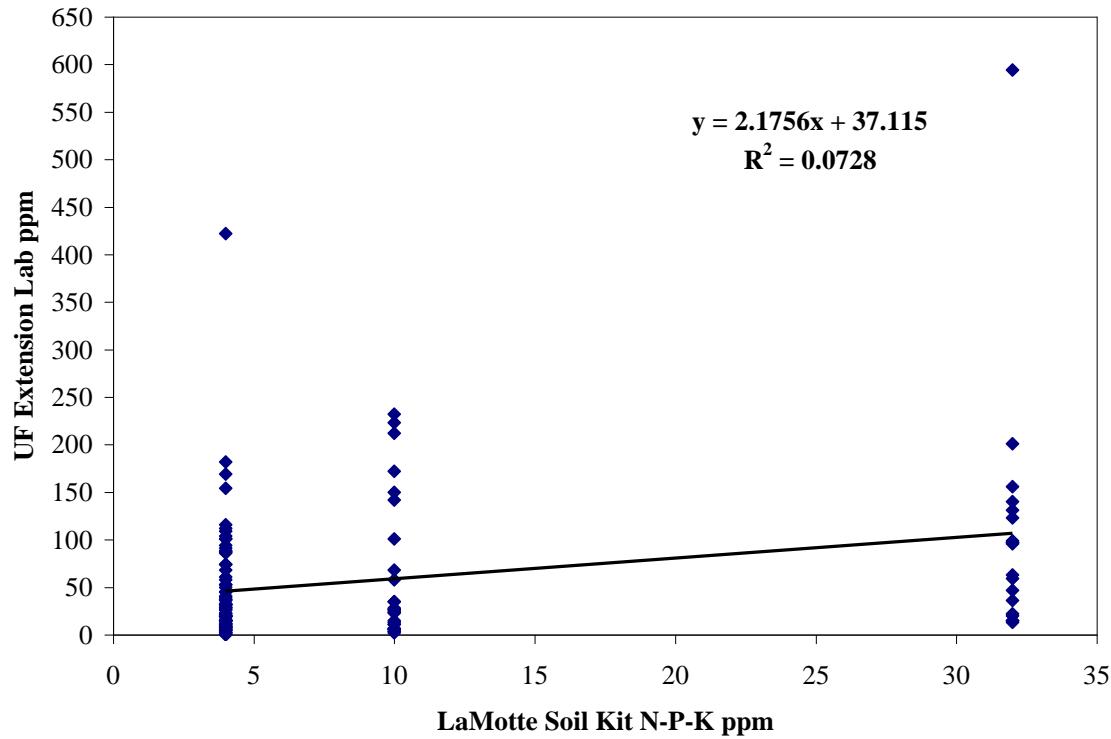
**P SOIL TEST KIT EXPERIMENT:**  
**An Evaluation of Phosphorus Soil Analyses Kits**  
**for Judging Phosphorus**  
**Fertilization Requirements for Home Lawns**

**The rates of low, medium and high for the UF extensions lab and the soil test kits.**

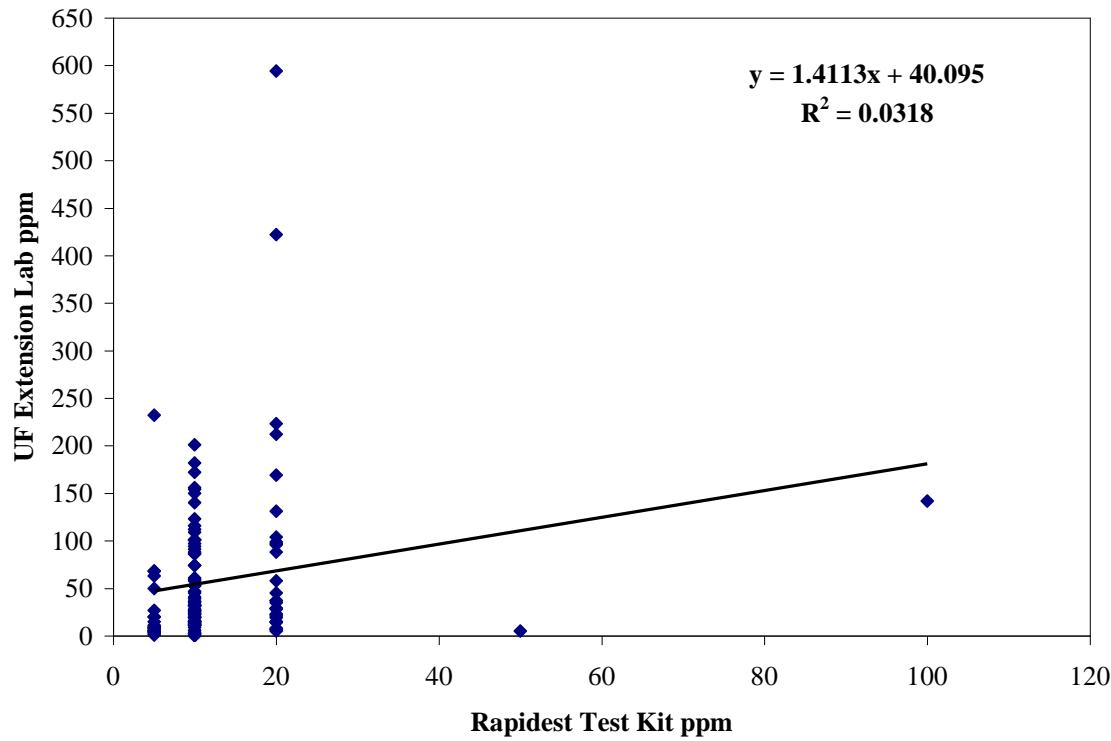
	<b>University of Florida Extension Lab (ESTL)</b>	<b>LaMotte Model EL</b>	<b>LaMotte N.P.K</b>	<b>Rapitest Soil Test</b>
<b>V. Low</b>	<b>0-10</b>	<b>ppm</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Low</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>0-25</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Medium</b>	<b>15-30</b>	<b>25-50</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>High</b>	<b>30-60</b>	<b>50+</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>40</b>



Correlation of [P] from soils sent to ESTL with [P] from soils used in LaMotte Soil Test



**Correlation of [P] from soils sent to ESTL with [P] from soils used in LaMotte Soil Kit N-P-K Test Kit.**



- Correlation of [P] from soils sent to ESTL with [P] from soils used in Rapitest Soil Test Kit.