



General Area Crop Progress

Cotton planting has started, corn side dressing and spraying is underway. Some late grain sorghum and soybeans replaced unplanted corn. There have also been some sunflower and sesame planting considered in our area. In walking fields keep an eye out for herbicide resistant ryegrass and other weeds/pests that can cause trouble. Below are recent pictures of a lone rye grass plant that survived a glyphosate application and also some overwintering sugarcane aphids on weedy Johnson grass.

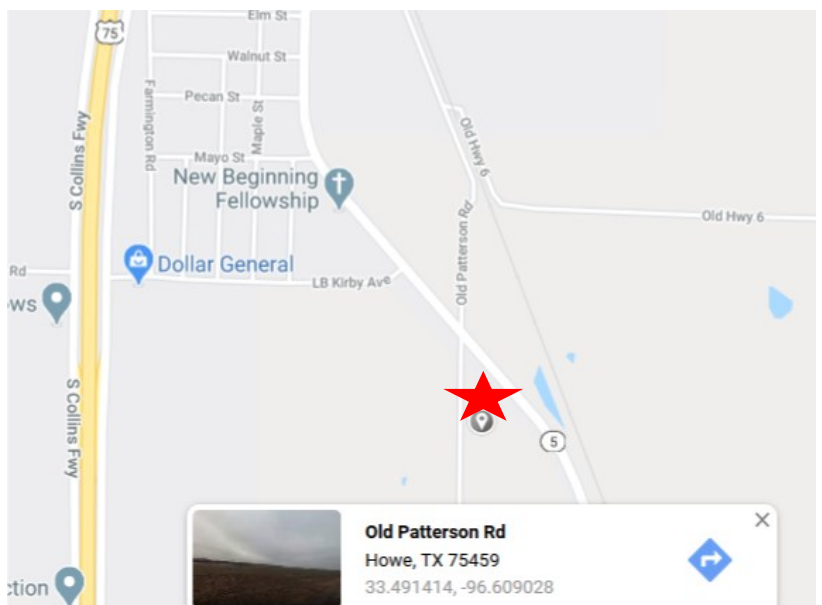
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Wheat continues to mature with lower levels of rust, pockets of true armyworms and other diseases including Septoria on leaves, glume blotch on spikes, and Fusarium head blight or head scab showing up. The continuous wet weather during flowering was favorable for Fusarium head blight and many heads are now showing the blight. See additional images on page 2.

Wheat Field Days have been cancelled due to Covid-19 precautions but producers can do a **Self Guided Field Tour** at our **Howe, TX** location. The plots have been marked and handouts will be available after Wednesday morning May 6th. Plot maps are also enclosed in this newsletter. See map to the right. Other trial location visits at Greenville and Fairlie, can be arranged for cooperators.



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Wheat spikes infected by *Fusarium* head blight in 2020, the fungus infects the open florets and then spreads through the head colonizing and shriveling up other florets and kernels. Yield is lost and there is the possibility of the fungus producing the deoxynivalenol (DON) vomitoxin, and contaminating the grain.



2019-20 Field Map for Wheat Studies at Howe, TX

Norman Farms, Cooperator

<p>Fungicide Profitability Study</p> <p>1-45</p>	<p>Fungicide Timing Study</p> <p><i>Dyna-Gro TV 8861</i> <i>USG 3120</i></p> <p>1-6</p>
<p>SRWW Variety Comparison with Selected HRWWs Study</p> <p>1-45</p>	

→→→→→ planting direction

Site Planted November 4, 2019 Site Harvested TBD

BORDERS: Milburn (2 on left of Fungicide Profitability & SRWW Variety Comparison, 2 on right of Fungicide Timing Study & 2 between each study)

Planting Note: All studies received Nachurs Triple Option 4-13-17-1S at planting (~ 2.3 lbs. N/~ 7.3 lbs. P₂O₅/~9.6 lbs. K₂O/~0.6 lbs. S)
(5 gal/Ac Nachurs + 5 gal/Ac H₂O = 10 gal/Ac) – 30 psi & 16 orifice

NOTE: 2 passes along the back and both sides, 3 passes along the front of site were planted with AGS 2055 as filler
(~ 10 ft along back and both sides, ~15 ft along front)

Planting Area for the Wheat Studies: 57 passes @ 5'/pass = 285' wide x 280' deep = ~ 1.8 Ac
Planted Area for the site: 305' x 305' = 2.1 Ac

December 18, 2019 applied 50 lbs/Ac Actual Nitrogen (34-0-0)
February 27, 2020 applied 50 lbs/Ac Actual Nitrogen (32%)

←-----Old Patterson Road-----→

20-02. 2019-20 Wheat @ Howe, TX (Norman Farms, Cooperator)
SRWW Variety Comparison with Selected HRWWs Study

37	38	34	28	40	11	45	33	8	12	26	2	20	42	19	39	15	6	44	24	32	35	5	31	23	4	1	14	9	43	13
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18	4	9	15	3	32	19	10	38	29	43	42	21	13	33	22	17	41	7	12	1	44	34	25	2	45	35	37	39	28	36
501	502	503	504	505	506	507	508	509	510	511	512	513	514	515	516	517	518	519	520	521	522	523	524	525	526	527	528	529	530	531
29	11	13	20	14	24	26	5	18	40	41	25	22	1	27	33	45	4	6	32	37	39	43	36	28	16	30	7	21	42	35
401	402	403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431
7	23	19	31	29	32	41	28	43	37	15	36	18	17	21	45	27	24	1	26	5	40	30	12	38	3	14	39	8	6	22
301	302	303	304	305	306	307	308	309	310	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318	319	320	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	330	331
30	24	15	10	20	21	17	33	3	16	29	5	36	6	38	39	42	28	34	43	22	9	44	26	37	23	40	27	2	13	45
201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131

18	27	3	7	29	17	21	30	22	41	25	10	36	16
632	633	634	635	636	637	638	639	640	641	642	643	644	645
8	11	40	16	6	14	5	31	23	26	20	30	24	27
532	533	534	535	536	537	538	539	540	541	542	543	544	545
10	19	23	8	15	34	44	3	31	17	38	9	2	12
432	433	434	435	436	437	438	439	440	441	442	443	444	445
42	4	20	44	16	2	34	9	13	35	10	25	33	11
332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345
12	41	1	18	8	25	31	32	35	11	19	7	14	4
232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245
32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145

NOTE: plots 32-45 of each rep continue to the right of plots 31 of each rep
BORDERS: Milburn (2 on each side)
 Planting Date November 4, 2019
 December 18, 2019 applied 50 lbs/Ac Actual Nitrogen (34-0-0)
 February 27, 2020 applied 50 lbs/Ac Actual Nitrogen (52%)

VARIETIES (90 lbs/Ac)

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|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. TX15D9579 | 11. Pioneer 25R74 | 21. USG 3228 | 31. AGS 2055 | 41. Monsanto WB-Cedar (HRWW) |
| 2. TX15D9597 | 12. AgriPro SY Viper | 22. USG 3329 | 32. AGS 3040 | 42. TAM 205 (HRWW) |
| 3. TX16DDH579 | 13. AgriPro SY 547 | 23. USG 3536 | 33. Go Wheat GW 2032 | 43. Syngenta Grit (HRWW) |
| 4. Blackland 1812 | 14. Dyna-Gro 9002 | 24. USG 3539 | 34. Go Wheat GW 6000 (TX-EL2) | 44. Syngenta Monument (HRWW) |
| 5. Blackland 1825 | 15. Dyna-Gro 9012 | 25. USG 3640 | 35. #Fury (Progeny) | 45. Gallagher (HRWW) |
| 6. Blackland 1828 | 16. Dyna-Gro 9522 | 26. USG 3895 | 36. #Turbo (Progeny) | |
| 7. Blackland 1853 | 17. Dyna-Gro 9701 | 27. Monsanto WB-2418 | 37. Monsanto WB-4269 (HRWW) | |
| 8. Blackland 1889 | 18. Dyna-Gro 9811 | 28. Monsanto WB-2606 | 38. Monsanto WB-4303 (HRWW) | |
| 9. Pioneer 25R40 | 19. USG 3118 | 29. AGS 2024 | 39. Monsanto WB-4418 (HRWW) | |
| 10. Pioneer 25R61 | 20. USG 3230 | 30. AGS 2038 | 40. Monsanto WB-4699 (HRWW) | |

Forage Sorghum/Sudans Identified as Having Some Resistance to Sugarcane Aphid (SCA)

Texas A&M AgriLife Trial. 2017, Hunt County:

Sweeter N Honey II, Sweeter N Honey II BMR: Richardson Seed

Super Sugar DM: Gayland Ward

University of Georgia Trial Results, 2017:

Sweeter N Honey II, Sweeter N Honey II BMR: (under different name in Georgia)

Super Sugar DM: Gayland Ward

SP 6205 BD and Sordan Headless: Sorghum Partners

Surpass BMR dw (SGxS): Coffey Seeds

FullGraze BMR: Dyna-Gro

Marketed as Having Tolerance/Resistance by the Seed Company

Xtra Graze BMR Sudan Grass. Coffey Seed, Plainview, TX
Grow N Graze Defender: Warner Seed

Note:

Resistant/tolerant hybrids are NOT immune to SCA and must be inspected weekly to monitor infestations and may need to be treated with an insecticide or harvested early to avoid crop loss due to SCA damage.

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Calendar

May—Self Guided Wheat Field Tour - Howe, TX

July—Summer Crops Tour—Greenville, TX

For information on COVID-19

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is leading an education effort helping local governments with the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

See <https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/>

There are also courses for Child Care and Coronavirus at the same location.

Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN)

EDEN information on the Coronavirus can be found at:

<https://texashelp.tamu.edu/coronavirus-information-resources/>

USDA Resources can be found at:

<http://usda.gov/coronavirus>