

NJ Soybean Board News

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Are High Oleic Soybeans Right for You?

As you select seed for the 2016 growing season, be sure that you are aware of all the options available. If you live in the southern half of New Jersey, you may be eligible to grow high oleic soybean varieties that come with the potential for additional premiums upon delivery.

High oleic soybeans offer higher-functioning oil compared with traditional soybean varieties. This oil meets the needs of food and industrial customers, expanding market potential for U.S. soy.

Rick Stern, a former NJSB director and farmer in Cream Ridge, was among the first farmers in New Jersey to plant high oleic soybeans.

“They’re just extremely impressive-looking soybeans,” says Stern. “We’re very pleased with where they’re at so far, and I’m looking forward to seeing how they yield in comparison with our commodity soybeans.”

If you’re considering growing high oleic soybeans, Stern says on-farm storage is a must. Delivery of the high oleic soybeans may be delayed until after harvest. And you need to be equipped to store the high oleic soybeans separately from any stored commodity soybeans.

If you do decide to grow high oleic soybeans, you won’t have to worry about missing out on the traits traditional soybean varieties have to offer. High oleic soybean varieties come with the same genetic and herbicide-resistance packages that you have come to expect from traditional varieties. In addition, farmers who already grow high oleic varieties have reported yields comparable with their other varieties.

High oleic contracts are currently available from Perdue Agribusiness. Farms located in the following counties have local delivery points:

- Atlantic
- Burlington
- Camden
- Cape May
- Cumberland
- Gloucester
- Ocean
- Salem

“I grow high oleic soybeans because I believe that this is the future of the soybean industry,” says Stern. “I served



on the United Soybean Board during the development of these soybeans, when we weren’t even sure if something like this was even possible. But now it’s clear these soybeans are the future. As long as the yields are competitive to traditional commodity soybeans, I’m going to continue to grow them.”

To find a processor near you that accepts high oleic soybeans, visit www.SoyInnovation.com. If you are interested in growing high oleic soybeans, consult with your seed rep or local processor.

“I encourage New Jersey farmers to give high oleic soybeans a real hard look,” says Stern. “Our checkoff dollars have been committed to making the high oleic industry go and, now that it’s here, farmers need to support it.”



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NJSB Updates

Biotech University

The New Jersey Soybean Board (NJSB) recently awarded scholarships to journalism students studying at New Jersey colleges to attend the 2015 Biotech University in Phoenix, Arizona. While there, these future consumer influencers learned more about agriculture's use of biotechnology through educational seminars.



FFA Awards

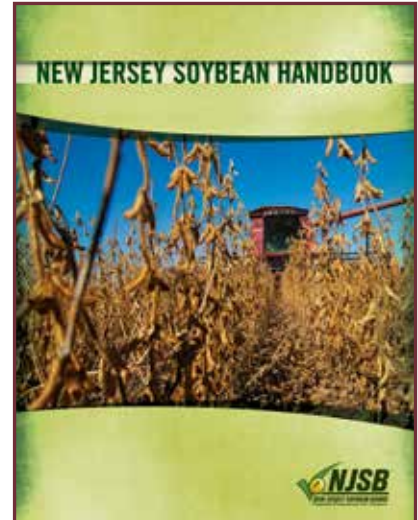
The New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc., annually honors students who have completed Supervised Agricultural Experiences in order to gain working knowledge for their future. Top awards were sponsored by NJSB. This year's honorees include:

1st place: Allentown FFA-Jeremy Posluszny, Rebecca Carmeli-Peslak and Aluxus Brown

2nd place: Northern Burlington FFA-Colton Wharton, Kenny Hamner and Ashley Lucas

Soybean Handbook

The New Jersey Soybean Handbook has been updated for 2015. Find the revised handbook on the NJSB website at www.njssoybean.org.



Preparing for Success in 2016

Harvest is just around the corner! While it may mark the end of this year's growing season, it doesn't mean that you can't be setting yourself up for a productive season in 2016 at the same time. Ensuring nutrient availability is the first step toward a successful crop, so be sure you are soil sampling regularly.



When soil sampling, keep the following best practices in mind:

- Use a soil probe to take subsamples at a 6- to 8-inch depth.
- Gather 12 to 16 subsamples per field sample.
- Gather subsamples in a zigzag pattern to ensure accurate representation of the field sample area.
- Take soil samples once every two to four years.
- Take soil samples at the same time of year to maintain consistent results over time. Aim to sample in the fall to allow enough time to make necessary fertilizer applications for next year's crops.
- Maintain accurate records with field maps, crop and fertilizer history and other management activities.

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