# MU Certified Strip Trial Program 2018 Termination Date Trial (Site 5) Harvest Report

Site Number: 5 (Calloway County)
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#### **Trial Harvest Summary**

This is a cover crop trial comparing the effect of yield on cover crop strips that are terminated on two different dates. The first termination date was April 20<sup>th</sup>, the second termination date was May 8<sup>th</sup>, and soybean was planted on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The second termination date was 18 days after the first termination date. There was a mean yield difference of 0.8 bushels per acre between the two termination dates, but the difference at this location was not statistically significant. See Table/Graph 1 for a summary of yield results.

Please note the section towards the end of the report that summarizes management information currently known about the trial. Missing information is highlighted in yellow. Please provide your extension contact the missing information as soon as possible and let us know if any other corrections or changes need to be made.

At the end of the report are two tables summarizing results from all of the cover crop termination date trials for the last three years. Please note that all of the analysis is preliminary.

The MU Strip Trial program will have meetings throughout Missouri in February of 2019. *More information on location and dates will be sent out soon.* We encourage you to attend the strip trial meeting that is closest to you. This will be an opportunity for discussion on what was learned across farms and multiple years of trials. It will also be an opportunity for you to give feedback on how the trial worked on your farm and provide ideas for future trials.

Please follow us on Twitter at @MUStripTrials!

Thank you for agreeing to do this trial! It is one of five termination date trials in 2018.

The mission of the MU Certified Strip Trial Program is to help farmers validate management decisions on their farm and document efficiency and environmental stewardship.

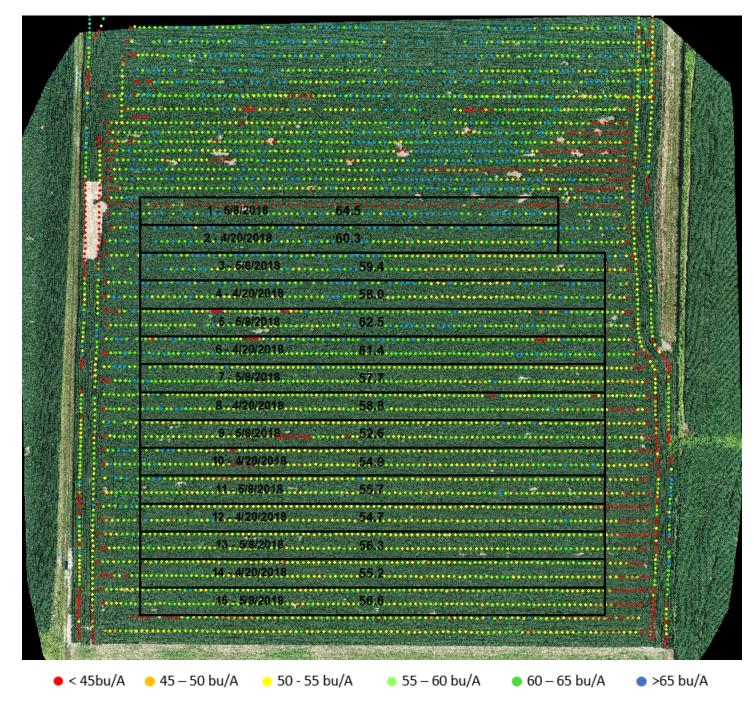
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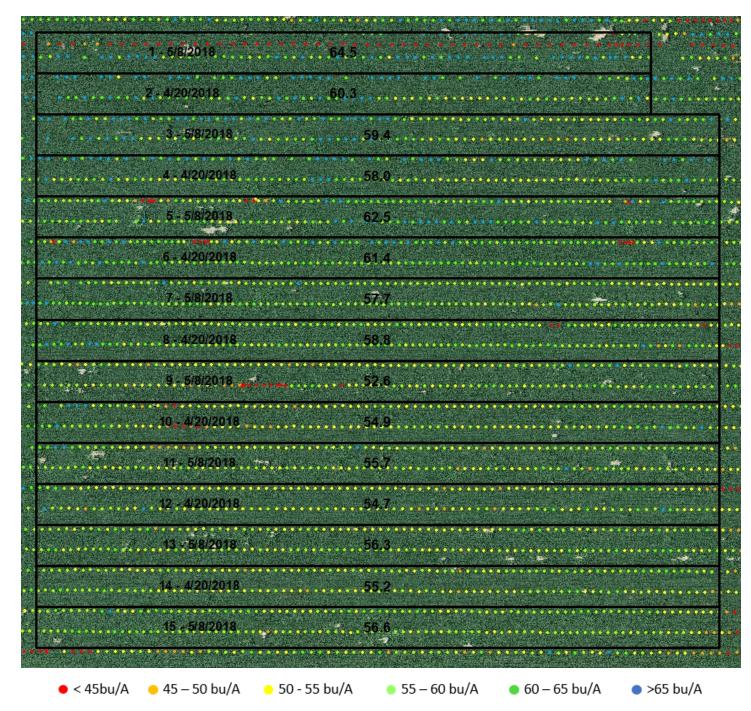


**Figure 1a**. Whole field showing soybean dry yield data reported as bushels per acre (bu/A). Strips are labeled with their mean yield and the date of termination. The field was harvested October 17, 2018.









**Figure 1b**. Close-up of strips showing soybean dry yield data reported as bushels per acre (bu/A). Strips are labeled with their mean yield and the date of termination.







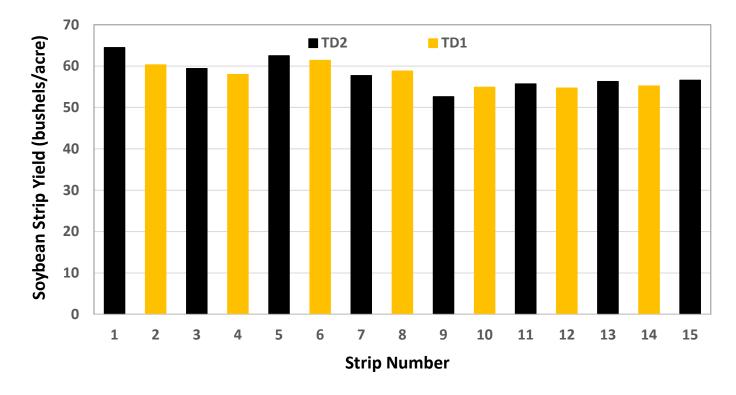
#### **Table 1/Graph 1**. Strip means of soybean yield.

#### Mean soybean yields:

Mean of all Strips: 57.9 bushels/acre
Termination Date 1 (TD1) 4/20/18 Strips: 57.6 bushels/acre
Termination Date 2 (TD2) 5/8/18 Strips: 58.4 bushels/acre
Treatment difference: 0.8 bushels/acre

Preliminary analysis shows that this difference was not statistically significant.

Strip	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Treatment	TD2	TD1	TD2												
Yield (Bushels/Acre)	64.5	60.3	59.4	58.0	62.5	61.4	57.7	58.8	52.6	54.9	55.7	54.7	56.3	55.2	56.6









## **Cover Crop Management Information**

	Termination Date 1	Termination Date 2		
Cover crop	Cereal Rye	Cereal Rye		
Planting date	11/4/2017	11/4/2017		
Seeding rate	35 lbs/Acre	35 lbs/Acre		
Termination date (TD)	4/20/2018	5/8/2018		
Height/stage at termination	8", vegetative	24", head emerging		
Herbicides applied	Power Max 32 oz/Acre	Metrabuzin 4 oz/Acre Authority Maxx 6.4 oz/Acre Power Max 32 oz/Acre		
Herbicide extent	TD 1 Strips only			

## **Grain Crop Management Information**

Planting Date	Variety	Seeding Rate	Harvest Date		
5/5/2018	Asgrow Ag 38X6	136,000	10/17/2018		
Crop Rotation	Cereal rye, hairy vetch, soybean				
Tillage System		No Till			

## **Other Input Information**

Date	Type of Input	Product Name	Rate Applied		
6/14/2019	Herbicide	Extenda Max	22 oz/Acre		
6/14/2018	Herbicide	Abundant	32 oz/Acre		
7/9/2018	Insecticide	Declare	1.28 oz/Acre		
7/9/2018	Fungicide	Fittness	6 oz/Acre		

## **Equipment Specifics**

Equipment	Туре	Width (in feet)	
Planter	Kinze 3110	20	
Sprayer	Hagie 284	58	
Combine	JD 9650	30	
Yield Monitor	AgLeader Insight		





