Field Crops
Research Protocols

Fungicide and Plant Growth Regulator Trial for Cereal Rye Seed Production

Objective: Determine the agronomic and economic effect of a fungicide and plant growth regulator on seed yield of cereal rye.

Farmer-cooperator will:
- Take photos throughout the project.
- Keep in contact with PFI with updates and questions.
- Fall 2015, plant cereal rye seed crop in 3 fields.
- Spring 2016, establish a minimum of 4 replications in each field as shown in the diagram below with randomized and replicated strips as follows:

  - Field 1
    - Treatment: Fungicide
    - Control: No fungicide
  - Field 2
    - Treatment: Plant Growth Regulator
    - Control: No PGR
  - Field 3
    - Treatment: Fungicide+PGR
    - Control: No fungicide or PGR

- Strips will be 30 feet wide and run the length of each field.
- Summer 2016, harvest cereal rye in strips from each field, record yield of each strip.
- Turn in data to Practical Farmers of Iowa at the end of project.

Practical Farmers of Iowa will:
- Help set up monitoring protocol, monitor progress of project and provide support when needed
- Publish results in a PFI research report, on PFI website, and potentially other outlets
- Provide $550 compensation for each field ($1,650 total) at conclusion of the project in 2016

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