

Tools and Concepts to Actively Manage Salinity

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Please read each question and circle the number or complete the response that most accurately reflects your thoughts and feelings.

1. County: **Trails (4)**
2. Male: **4** Female: **0**
3. What percentage of the land that you farm do you think is saline?
 0-10% 11-20% **(1)** 21-30% **(1)** >31%
4. Did you attend the Trails County Soil Health Field Day last year? YES **3** NO **1**
 - a) If yes, did you make any operational decisions or changes based on what you learned? YES **1** NO **1**
 - **Not yet**
 - b) Please let us know what you experimented with or what changes you made to your operation.
5. Do you soil test specifically for salinity (aka soluble salts, EC)? YES **2** NO **0**
6. Do you use cover crops in your operation? YES **0** NO **2 (not yet, only on PP acres)**

Listed below are several areas of knowledge regarding today's field day topics. First, please rate your level of knowledge on each statement from **before participation**. Next, please rate your level of knowledge on each statement **after participation**. Rate your knowledge on the scale of 1 to 5, with 1= low and 5= high.

Area of Knowledge		Low	Medium	High	Increase in Knowledge
7. My understanding of using cover crops to build soil health	Before Participation	1(0)	2(2)	3(2)	4(0) 5(0)
	After Participation	1(0)	2(0)	3(1)	4(3) 5(0)
8. My understanding of weed management	Before Participation	1(0)	2(0)	3(3)	4(0) 5(0)
	After Participation	1(0)	2(0)	3(1)	4(2) 5(0)
9. My understanding of using buffer strips to manage ditch effect salinity	Before Participation	1(0)	2(1)	3(0)	4(0) 5(0)
	After Participation	1(0)	2(0)	3(1)	4(0) 5(0)
10. My understanding of the benefits of using cereal rye as a cover crop	Before Participation	1(1)	2(1)	3(2)	4(0) 5(0)
	After Participation	1(0)	2(0)	3(1)	4(3) 5(0)

11. What is your role in agriculture:
 - a. Producer **2**
 - b. Consultant **1**
 - c. Educator
 - d. NRCS/SCD
 - e. Other: **1 (agronomy, edible beans)**
12. Please provide what you might do differently in your farm as a result of what you learned today.
 - **Cover Crops in corn/soybeans**