

Each trainee was asked to “rank your comfort level with the following topics on a scale of 1-5”. (1=no knowledge or experience, 3= comfortable with topic but need to learn more, 5=very knowledgeable, I could teach this!)

Topic	Average pre-series	Average post-series
Understanding how soil biology affects chemical and physical soil properties	2.7	3.5
Management of cover crops (selection, planting timing & options, termination)	3.5	4.5
Successful no-till & strip-till equipment and management	2.9	4.0
Understanding options to improve nutrient efficiency	3.0	4.2
Short- and long-term economics of farming to improve soil health	2.7	3.7
Potential benefits for utilizing cover crops for grazing purposes	2.9	3.2