Precision Soil Testing Protocol

A protocol for collecting precision soil samples on a grid or by zone, so samples are taken the same way each time and can be compared from year to year.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Choose grid or zone sampling and record why
2. Load sample points into the GPS unit
3. Clean the probe between fields
4. Sample to the depth your lab recommends
5. Walk to each point and collect cores
6. Label bags with point and field ID
7. Send to a lab following their instructions
8. Store results with the sampling map

YOUR NOTES

TIP Ask your lab for its sampling instructions before you start and use the same depth and timing every year.