

a'Round The Traps'

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WA Dry Start
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Giving plants the best chance in an unpredictable start

As we edge closer to the start of our 2024 broad acre cropping season, all eyes are on the forecasts to see when that break may be arriving, especially in WA where the summer has been brutal on our sub soil moisture reserves. However, increasingly unpredictable weather patterns and unreliable forecasting has meant that many farmers are going into the start of the season 'blind' and relying on nature to provide rain for a good start. Ferti-Tech can help take some variability out of the equation and replace it with solid programs that have been proven over many seasons to deliver strong results for farmers in unpredictable starts, including steering you in the right direction for more reliable weather forecasts. The answer lies with Ferti-Tech liquid inject programs designed to deliver maximum moisture absorption and fertiliser efficiency in the furrow directly with the seed. There are many benefits for farmers using liquid inject programs especially in challenging dry conditions:

- 1) 'Bridge the gap' Ferti-Tech liquid inject products use powerful Carbon in liquid forms to help attract and retain moisture. This means that in conditions when farmers are faced with long periods between rain events, young germinating plants can hang on for that bit longer, giving them every chance for a strong start.
- 2) Liquid inject has powerful biology stimulation benefits that allow granule fertiliser to be mineralised faster allowing for more efficient use of the granule fertiliser in the furrow meaning farmers can reduce the amount of granule fertiliser being used at seeding.
- 3) By reducing granule fertiliser rates farmers are given the luxury of seeing how the season starts out before deciding to spend more on nutrition support which can be easily and very efficiently delivered through a Ferti-Tech foliar program. Foliar programs allow farmers to apply highly concentrated volumes of nutrition directly to the plants when the plants need it most. We can always add more but we can't take back money already spent on fertiliser in the furrow
- 4) 'Just add water', many of Ferti-Tech's concentrate liquid inject products have complex nutritional support included in them and this paired with a strong granule nutrition bank in the furrow, means that when rain does arrive the seeds have the required nutrition available to them right away allowing them to 'jump' out of the ground.

Unsure about how the season is going to start out? It is not too late to get a Ferti-Tech liquid inject program arranged for your farm this season. Contact Ferti-Tech today to learn more about how liquid inject can help you!



Need "Living" Soil Quote by William A ALBRECHT

We are slow to appreciate the fact that the growth of a feed crop, like the legumes, requires a truly "living" soil with active microbial life in its many forms. We need their action of decaying organic matter to mobilize large quantities of the fertility elements that animals and man must have from the soil source. We, seemingly, still take the soil for granted.

Although we have gained in yields per acre in some aspects, such as high starch output per acre for fattening services, nevertheless, the declining health and reproductive aspects of both plants and animals call for better nutrition in proteins, and all that goes with them, via properly fertilized soils, rather than those dosed by powerful poisons in our war on weeds, fungus diseases, insects, and other pests commonly serving naturally to eliminate higher life forms not fit to survive in the competition.

Unfortunately, our minds, like many good books, remain closed and nature's facts stay hidden from us all too long.