Public Comment Form

Draft Nitrogen Fertilizer Rule

Please submit written comments on the draft Nitrogen Fertilizer Rule by August 25, 2017 through mail or email to:

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All comments should, but are not required to, include a contact name, phone number and/or email address to provide for follow-up discussion on specific comments.

Questions
For any questions regarding the content of the draft Nitrogen Fertilizer Rule, please contact Larry Gunderson, Fertilizer Technical Unit Supervisor Larry.Gunderson@state.mn.us | 651-201-6168

Comments

I'm very against this rule in our area in NW MN. We implement ridge tillage with our sugarbeets and split apply our fertilizer with an application in fall and a June without the ability to fall fertilizer yet would not be possible to ridge till in turn affecting our bottom line with yield potential and an increase in spring tillage. NW part of the state has a different climate than the rest of the state and a blanket rule is not the best approach. We are more diversified and currently have implemented best mgmt practices.

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to reduce any losses of fertilizer. I think there should be exemptions made for the NW part of MN. The MDA needs to do a better job familiarizing themselves with this part of the state to better understand the conditions and practices already in use.

Thank you for your consideration.

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