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I'm sending this note to tell you that I agree 100% with this ruling on nitrogen in fragile areas. Minnesota, as well as other states, has been blessed with a lot of porous limestone and it is a total different soil in its structure. We have found that putting N on when the crop needs it is a much better way to use it, and it's cheaper because the practice of fall applying it has often been overdone just make sure there is enough left for the crop the next season. I have been split applying it in the year of crop growth and have been amazed at how it takes less than expected this way. Most farmers have the means to apply it in this manner so I don't believe it would be any hardship in any way. The one I see resisting this move is the "super-big" farms that travel all over and need custom application done in the fall.

Thank you, Evan Schmeling 70245 160 Ave. Hayfield, MN.

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