

How Can An Agronomist Benefit Your Farm?

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Crop production has become much more complex and technically challenging. It is increasingly difficult to balance the many demands of a successful farming operation, including the agronomic management of many different crops, crop scouting, long-term crop planning, input planning and crop marketing.

It can be hard to keep up with and evaluate the latest opportunities, innovations, research and technologies that could benefit the bottom line of your farming operation. There are many factors to consider such as crop varieties, fertilizer management options, changing disease and insect populations as well as new pest control options.

These days, more and more farmers are using agronomists or crop advisors to help manage all of these aspects of a successful operation.

If you think you might need an agronomist, consider these questions:

- Are you satisfied with crop yields and management on your farm?
- Are you achieving crop yields that reflect your inputs?
- Are you comfortable with your crop management knowledge and the decisions you make?
- Do you have the time to scout all your fields regularly?

If you answered "yes" to these questions, you may not benefit personally or financially from hiring an agronomist. However, if you feel you are not optimizing your crop yields and there is opportunity to enhance your level of crop management, or you do not have time to spend in the field to assess crop conditions, you may benefit from a source of technical expertise.

Do you feel you would benefit from assistance such as the following:

- Recommendations on crop rotations and crop variety options?
- Interpretation of soil test reports and developing fertilizer plans?
- Weed identification and crop growth staging, including herbicide options?
- Identifying diseases and insects, including the economic thresholds necessary for control, and effective pesticide options?

If you feel a dependable source of agronomic information would be helpful, now is the time to sit down and chat about how Top Gro Agro's Elite Agronomy Service can benefit your farming operation.