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Foliar feeding beans and soybeans is becoming a very hot topic right now. But what about the other crops? Do sugar beets need manganese and zinc at this growing stage? For most instances the answer is yes. It is no secret that dry beans and soybeans love foliar applications of micronutrients. We have taken a lot of tissue samples in different crops and we are seeing some definite deficiencies across the board. Even where we put down micros with the dry or liquid fertilizer, there are still some areas that need a little spiking up of the micros. Many of the micronutrients that the COOP sells are compatible with other herbicides. While making that trip across the field, adding micronutrients is an inexpensive way to see some definite yield increases. We can also take soil and tissue samples, compare these and see what the crop needs or doesn't need. Your local agronomist can help you out with any of these situations.

On another note, fall GPS soil sampling is right around the corner. Make sure to get with your agronomist to get your wheat fields scheduled to be sampled. GPS soil sampling is a very effective way to see what fertilizer you need, or once again, don't need to apply. Get with your agronomist to schedule your fields and to go over your results.

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