# SPRING -VS-FALL SOIL SAMPLING



### **ISTHERE A DIFFERENCE?**

The window of opportunity often closes too quickly, presenting the decision: wait another year for consistency, or pull samples next season?

We've learned to pick and stick to a sampling season, but is there room to challenge this old adage?

Turn over to find out more.

PERSONALIZATION VIA COMPANY LOGO HERE.

#### TECHNICAL RESOURCE SERIES:

A recent study from Rock River Laboratory confirms that a seasonal difference may exist - but the difference is too small to matter.

- Soil test data from > 700,000 samples were analyzed
- **Spring** samples had a median: P of 29.4ppm

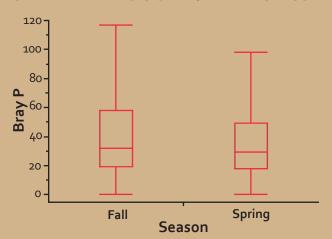
K of 106.7ppm pH of 6.4

 Fall samples had a median: P of 32.2ppm,

K of 102.8ppm pH of 6.6

 Differences observed here are more likely a result of management practice differences than the sampling season.

#### ONEWAY ANALYSIS OF BRAY P BY SEASON



## BOTTOM LINE: SPRING OR FALL - IT'S OK TO CHANGE YOUR SOIL SAMPLING SEASON IF NECESSARY.

