

Soil Health Field Day-Waushara County

Thursday September 6th, 2018 10 a.m.-2 p.m.



Bruce and Sandy Lind operate a 400-acre cash grain farm along the shores of Lake Poygan. The farm transitioned to no-till in 2012, and they began experimenting with incorporating cover crops in 2015. Bruce built a custom 12 row inter-seeder toolbar in 2017 that allows him to incorporate covers into his corn at the V3-V6 stage. This year they began experimenting with surface applied manure from a neighboring dairy spread over cover crops as another tool to help build soil health.

Agenda:

- **10:00 a.m.-** Soil Health Demonstration
NRCS Rainfall Simulator
- **No-Till System Equipment Overview**
No-Till Corn Planter Setup, Custom Built Inter-seeder, Great Plains No-Till Drill
- **Presentation: Dan Punke- Farm Manager at Miltrim Farms- Athens, WI**
1800 cow dairy, 1000 acres of no-till, 1000 acres of reduced tillage, 2400 acres of cover crop in 2018
- **11:30 a.m.-** Lunch
Provided by Matt Utecht- Alforex and Legend Seed, and Geno Brueggen- Alforex Seed
- **Cover Crop Presentation**
Doug Bastian-Alforex Seed, Matt Utecht-Alforex and Legend Seeds
- **Cover Crop Field Demonstration Plots**
Three field scale plots with varying seed mixes were planted following harvest of winter wheat
- **Inter-seeded Corn and Soybean Fields**
Several fields were inter-seeded mid-June into V3-V6 corn and at a 12" bean height.
- **Slurry Seeded cover crop after winter wheat**
A cover crop was no-till drilled into wheat stubble, with manure surface applied over the top of the planted covers.
- **2:00 p.m.-** Wrap up



Location:

Bruce and Sandy Lind Farm
W505 Aspen Avenue
Fremont, WI 54940

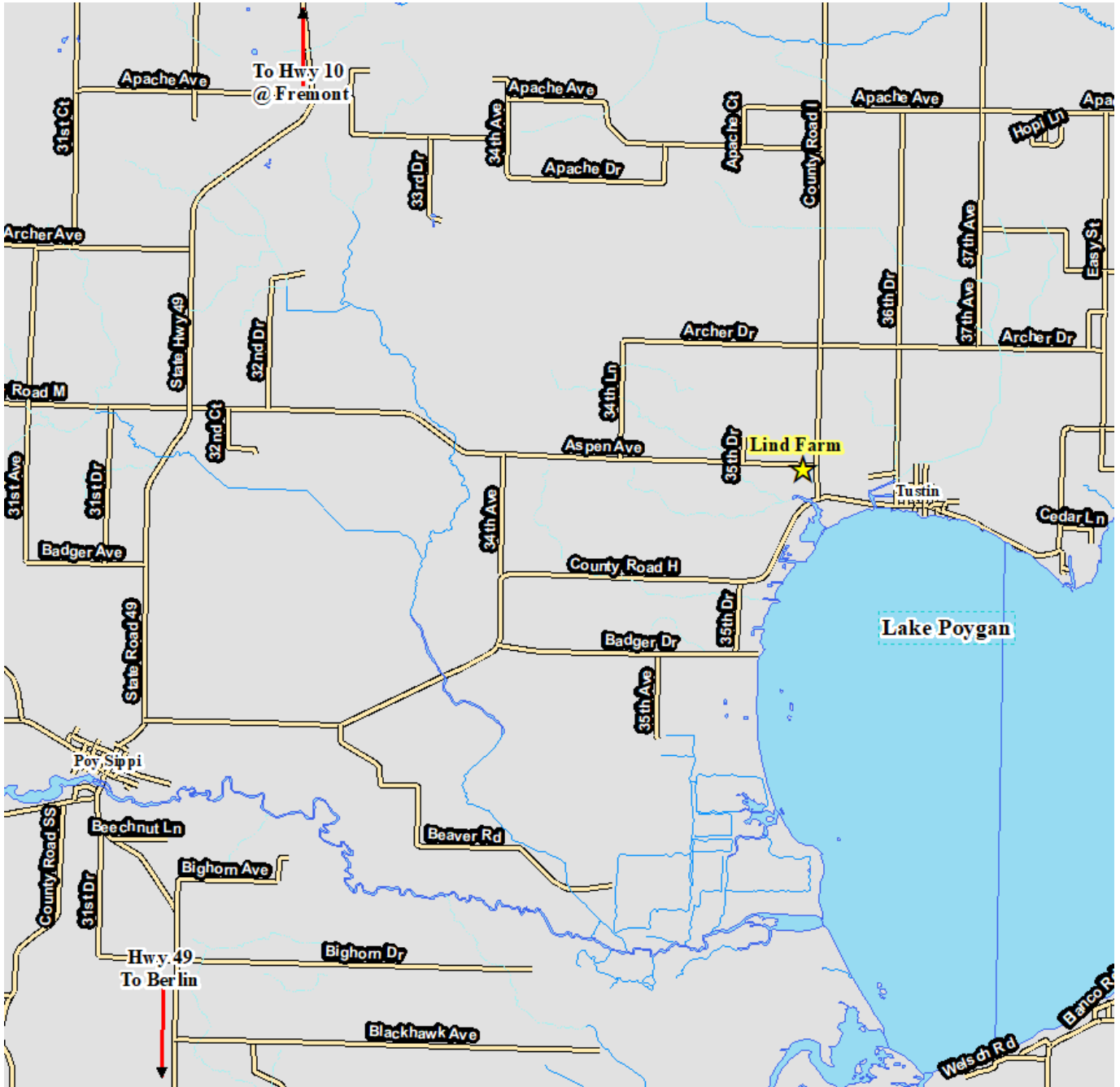
Please RSVP by Saturday September 1st to

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