



- Reducing inputs
- Weed suppression
- Relieving compaction
- Improving soil fertility and health
- Attracting earthworms

## **SEASONAL BENEFITS & CONSIDERATIONS:**

### **FALL**

**PLANTING:** Plant 3 to 10 weeks before the first killing frosts.

**NUTRIENT SCAVENGING:** Nitrogen is absorbed along with other key nutrients, including that from manure. Tillage Radish will release the nutrients in the spring when cash crops need it most.

# **WINTER**

**N WINTERS OVER:** Tillage Radish\* holds the nitrogen (N) and other soil nutrients over the winter. A few cold nights reaching the mid-teens kill them. If no killing frost use standard herbicide burndown method in the spring.

**WHAT WEEDS?** A thick canopy is formed so most annual weeds never see the light, potentially reducing the need for a spring burndown.

### **SPRING**

**SOIL CONDITIONING:** Tillage Radish® decays, the voids are left in the soil, along with holes in the compaction zone from the taproot. This means your soil will have greater air and water circulation.

**DECAY & RELEASE:** Once temperatures rise, the nitrogen is released back to the rhizosphere and the root zone. Where it will be available for the cash crop that follows Tillage Radish\*.



### PLANTING TIPS AND SEEDING RATES:

**PLANTING:** Plant 3 - 10 weeks prior to first killing frost. Green growth normally starts in less than a week in normal conditions; radish size will depend on growth time, day length, plant competition and available nutrients to scavenge. The Tillage Radish\* is a broad leaf plant - consider this when planning herbicide programs.

**PLANTING DEPTH:** 1/4" to 1/2". Can be planted 1" in light soils if necessary to reach moisture.

### **SEEDING RATE (MONOCULTURE):**

DRILLING: 6 lbs/acre

BROADCAST / AERIAL: 8-10 lbs/acre

PRECISION PLANTING (15" WITH

**4" IN-ROW):** 4 lbs/acre

WEED SUPPRESSION: Increase seeding

rate to 10 - 12 lbs/acre

**WHEN USED IN MIXES:** Typically 1 - 4 lbs/acre (rate varies based on cover cropping objective, seeding date and other species in blend)

**CONTROL:** Tillage Radish® winterkills with 3 consecutive nights in the mid-teens. If no winterkill, control with mowing, grazing or burndown methods.

#### **AVERAGE INCREASES IN YIELDS:**

- Corn yields up average 12 BU/AC<sup>1</sup>
- Soybean yields up 8 BU/AC<sup>1</sup>
- Winter Wheat yields up to 5-7 BU/AC increase<sup>2</sup>
- Over 10 years of university R&D
  - 1 Based on company published date.
  - 2 This is planting 2-3 lbs of Tillage Radish® with winter wheat.

