



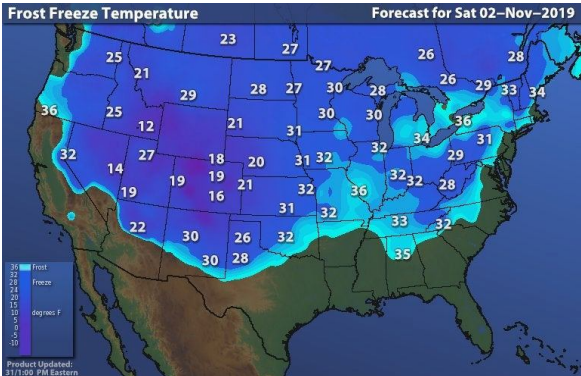
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How can I still plant cover crops?

With a good portion of the country experiencing below normal temperatures and even some early snowfall it may seem like the opportunity to plant cover crops is over. A lot of the corn harvest is later than normal and may still be in the field but that doesn't need to stop you from planting cover crops once it's harvested. Even though it may seem too late in the year, frost seeding might be the solution you need.



How can I frost seed?

Frost seeding is planting cover crops when the ground is partially frozen; enough that a tractor can stay on top and not get stuck, but not too hard that your drill or planter can't penetrate the frozen crust layer. The ideal conditions for this most often happen when day time temperatures are above freezing but drop into the mid to upper 20's at night. Planting can usually happen after dark to maybe midnight before the frozen crust becomes too thick for the planter or drill to penetrate the frozen layer.

What cover crop species work best for frost seeding?

Some of our go-to species for frost seeding are as follows:

- Triticale (for before corn)
- Cereal Rye (for before beans)
- Crimson Clover (for middle country areas)
- Hair Vetch (for middle country areas)
- Rapeseed

The purpose of frost seeding is to provide cover for early spring time especially if there is a warm up early in the year. It can also help dry out your soil if springtime is wetter than normal.

If you would like more information on how to use frost seeding successfully give us a call toll free at 1-844-993-3311

PS. Don't forget that tonight is the time set your clocks back one hour.

Late Planted Cover Crops

For late season cover crops, consider planting **triticale** if you're going to corn in the spring and **cereal rye** if your planning to go to beans in the spring. We also recommend adding a couple of pounds per acre of **rapeseed** as a mix. This provides some biosphere stimulus as well as scavenging of any left over nutrients in the soil to keep them from leaching away.



You can call us toll free to order these mixes at 844-993-3311

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