

THE SOIL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP:

A data-driven, on-farm effort to support more productive and sustainable agriculture through soil health.



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“Soil health” is continued capacity of the soil to function as a vital living ecosystem that sustains plants, animals and humans.

Soil health also plays a crucial role in protecting water quality and provides other valuable environmental stewardship. While the agriculture industry has seen massive innovation in many technologies, we have not seen a concentrated effort to aggregate and measure the effects of innovative soil management strategies at scale on working farms. Until now.

Strength in diverse collaboration

A farmer-led initiative of the National Corn Growers Association, the Soil Health Partnership brings together diverse partner organizations, including farmer groups, federal agencies, universities, environmental groups, private companies and non-profits to work toward the common goal of improving soil health.

SHP’s vision is driven by initial and continuing funding and guidance from

- National Corn Growers Association
- Bayer
- The Nature Conservancy
- Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research
- General Mills Foundation
- National Wheat Foundation
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Environmental Defense Fund
- and many more!



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220 WORKING FARMS IN 16 STATES!

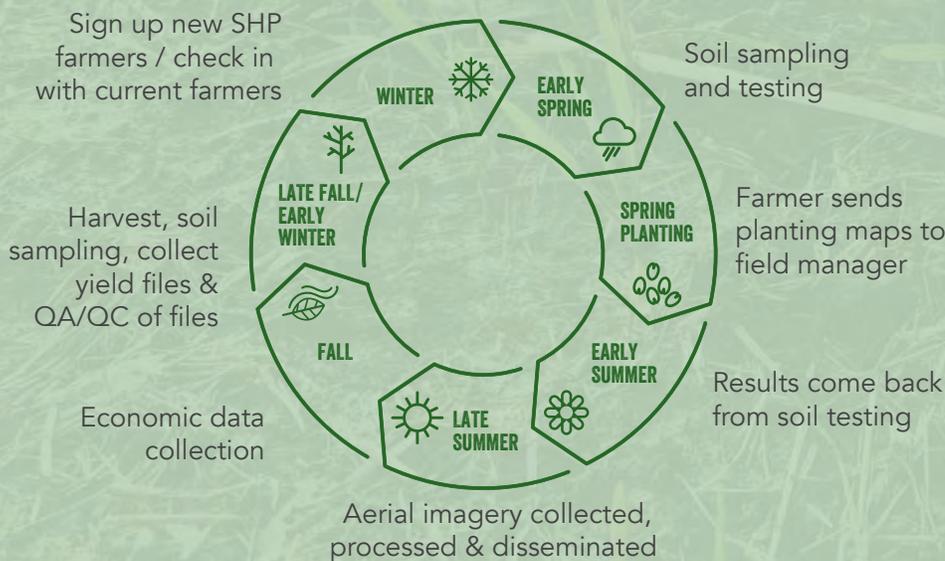
We've built a unique network of farms where we test, measure and share results of progressive farm management practices that will enhance sustainability and farm economics for generations to come.

goal is to work alongside farmers to identify which practices enhance sustainability and farm economics, both today and for generations to come. We help farmers manage the risks of implementing practices through farm specific management strategies and intensively measuring effectiveness. These practices include:

- cover crops
- reduced tillage
- advanced nutrient management

Practices, such as these, are of interest to farmers because they have the potential to increase organic matter, prevent erosion, reduce nutrient loss and improve efficiency.

Our experienced SHP field managers work with farmers throughout the year:



This process allows farmers to customize how they implement soil health improvements on their farm. Our rigorous data collection process helps evaluate the impact of various management practices on soil health improvement and economic viability.

We are committed to providing data insights to our farmers about how their soil health is changing over time, and how the practices they are trying on their farm impact relevant agronomic and economic outcomes like yield and input costs. Our aggregate data insights will also inform efforts to encourage widespread adoption of soil health practices and management systems.

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I joined the Soil Health Partnership in 2017 because of my interest and passion for soil conservation and so that we can show that these management practices have a long-term economic benefit to our industry and future generations”

Brian Martin, Centralia, Missouri