



OCTOBER OPERATIONS REPORT

**CONTROLLED SOLIDS — URBAN SPREADING**

Vulcan

550.12 WT

Harlem

13,90.45 WT

Calumet West

165.80 WT

**CLASS B FARMLAND SPREADING**

Calumet

1,476.74 WT

**FARMER/RESIDENT CONTACTS**

Synagro has worked with existing MWRDGC farmers to expand acres to the MWRDGC program:

Graham Gletty	110
Matt Kellogg	100
Larry Domagolla	110



## ODOR MINIMIZATION

For the landowner notifications. In October, Synagro sent out approximately 40 letters notifying adjacent landowners of biosolids applications in their area. Synagro team members knocked on 15 doors within a ¼ mile of permitted fields to educate residents about the benefits of biosolids application to farmland. No complaints were received and to minimize odor complaints, Synagro does not exceed 24 hours field storage and incorporates in 6 hours or less after application.



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## Technology helps farmers keep up with times

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JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — Joliet-area farmer Dave Kestel set up all the instrumentation in his farming combine with the intent to harvest about 50 acres of corn before the day was done.

As Kestel lowered the harvester claw, he set off on a 4 mph journey translating corn stalks into corn kernels with the simple switch of a joystick. Kestel's combine harvests eight rows of corn at a time; depending on yield, the machine can harvest about 10,000 bushels of corn a day.

"You just keep the corn-head on the rows," he said. "It looks maybe a little difficult at first. But everything is difficult at first and it gets easy in a while."

Actually, there is little steering involved while on a combine. GPS tracking and steering during the seeding process ensures straight lines. And the joystick used to move the combine forward rests at your target speed. After that, the only issue is how to most efficiently handle the corners of the farm along with fallen stalks.

On warm days during the summer and early fall, a constant air-conditioned cabin keeps the sweat and humidity from building up. And a hydraulic seat cushion keeps the bumps on the field from reaching the driver.

"It can be pretty comfortable in here," Kestel said. Harvesting crops still is an intensive process. But new technology is making farming easier

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