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REPORT April 2016 Contract 14-692-12

BIOSOLIDS PUBLIC RELATIONS

APRIL OPERATIONS REPORT

CONTROLLED SOLIDS — URBAN SPREADING

No application this month

CLASS B FARMLAND SPREADING

<u>Calumet</u>

2,592.27

FARMER/RESIDENT CONTACTS

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

Graham Gletty	200
Tom Donohue	100
Elwood Line	110
Ed Mundt	80

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ODOR MINIMIZATION

For the landowner notifications. In April, Synagro sent out approximately 45 letters notifying adjacent landowners of biosolids applications in their area. Synagro team members knocked on 20 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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<u>Illinois Crop Progress and Condition (May 2016)</u> <u>USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Heartland Regional Field Office</u>

Rain slowed down planting progress and kept producers out of the field during the past week. Statewide, the average temperature was 58.0 degrees, 1.3 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 1.64 inches, 0.74 inches above normal. There were 2.4 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 1. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 26 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 6 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Corn planted was at 66 percent, up 24 percentage points from last week. Corn emerged was at 25 percent, compared to 11 percent last year and the 5-year

average of 12 percent. Soybeans planted was at 9 percent. Winter wheat headed jumped to 29 percent, up 27 percentage points from last week. Winter wheat condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 14 percent excellent. Oats planted reached 90 percent, compared to 87 percent last year. Pasture and range condition was rated at 2 percent poor, 16 percent fair, 61 percent good, and 21 percent excellent.

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