

# The Good, the Bad (average), and the (just plain) Ugly



Lessons learned from interseeding cover crops 2018.

Plantings early Aug-early Sept.  
Pics taken October 25, 26







## Factors affecting 2018 crops

As we review our results, remember what kind of year we had (possibly the worst EVER), and what most cover crops look like on neighboring farms (non-existent because they couldn't get them planted)

Average rainfall for the area is around 36-37". We had over 60", with some places MUCH more. Floods and heavy rains were the norm for 2018. Also, with that, how little sunshine did we get? We still need sunlight for photosynthesis, and we did not get it.

Cover crops were planted on time, to even a little early (mid-August thru mid-September). However, cash crops were harvested much later, and sometimes not harvested yet. This really affects how much sunlight the vulnerable, very small cover crop seedlings get.

Lastly, what things look like this next spring could be VERY different from what they did in the fall or ever now.

## The Good



















