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## FULL DRAW PLANTING TIPS

These recommendations can help you achieve the best results with your food plots.

1. Full Draw is typically planted in the spring. Full Draw will grow in most any soil given proper nutrients and moisture, but it prefers a well-drained but heavier loam or clay soil. (Can also be planted in September.)
2. Weed control is essential in establishing a good food plot. Spray plot with Roundup before preparing seed bed. Spraying with Roundup should be done at least 1 week prior to planting.
3. When ready to plant, loosen up the seed bed surface with a drag or chain link fence to further prep the soil. Do not till too deep as it will only bring more weeds to the surface.
4. Soil should be fertile with a pH of 6.5 – 7.0. If you are not sure of your soils fertility or pH, have your soil tested. Your local Ag Center or fertilizer dealer can help with this. A good fertilizer recommendation is 300 – 400 lbs of 5-20-20/acre. Work this into soil before planting.
5. Use a hand or shoulder seeder, broadcast 10 lbs per acre. **Do Not Overseed!** Seed should **not** be planted more than ¼" deep. Dragging with a chain link fence will plant seed deep enough. Set your seeder on one of the smallest settings. Walk fast and crank hard. Better to go back and overlap than run out of seed too soon.
6. IMPORTANT: Use a cultipacker, lawn roller, or even your ATV tires to pack the field to insure good seed to soil contact.
7. If your deer herd is not keeping your plot grazed down, you will have to cut it once in early July and again in mid August. Do not cut shorter than 8". This will also help to control any weeds that pop up. You should also top dress this plot with 100 lbs/acre of 5-20-20 the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years, etc. With proper maintenance (cutting and top dress with fertilizer), Full Draw should last as least 3 years.