## SCOUTING AND SOIL TESTING FOR SOYBEAN CYST NEMATODE.

What's your number? Take the test. Beat the pest. The **SCN** Coalition™ Funded by the soybean checkoff

**TWO WAYS** to scout for SCN.

Dig roots and look for females. (Dig, don't pull.)

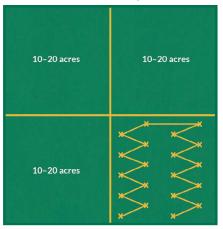


**Collect soil** samples for testing.

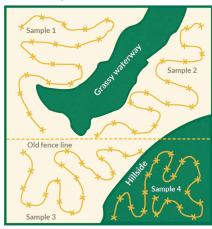


## **THREE APPROACHES** to collecting soil samples.

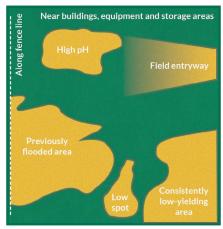
Collect 15-20 (or more) 1-inch-diameter core samples, 8 inches deep, for every 20 acres. Mix the cores well, put the mixed soil into a soil sample bag, and send it to an SCN testing lab.



Collect soil cores using a zigzag pattern.



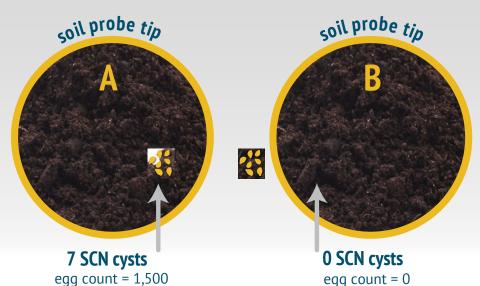
Collect soil cores from logical areas or management zones in



Collect soil cores from high-risk areas in the field where SCN might first be discovered.

## WHY SCN SOIL TEST results are variable.

It all depends on where you put the probe. A ½-inch difference can mean the difference between zero and 1,500 eggs. (Each cyst can hold 200 to 250 eggs.)



Fall in soybean stubble.

Fall in a non-host crop.

**WHEN** to sample.

Spring before a soybean crop.

soybean crop root zone.

During the season in the



## **EXTENSION**

The Mississippi State University Extension Plant Diagnostic Lab is offering free soybean cyst nematode (SCN) testing for Mississippi growers.

To participate, go to extension.msstate.edu/lab to download the **Soybean Cyst Nematode Sample Submission Form**. Instructions for proper sample collection can be found on the reverse side of this flyer.

Samples must be submitted with the **Soybean Cyst Nematode Sample Submission Form by August 30, 2019,** to qualify.

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