# 2019 Dundas SCIA Compaction Event

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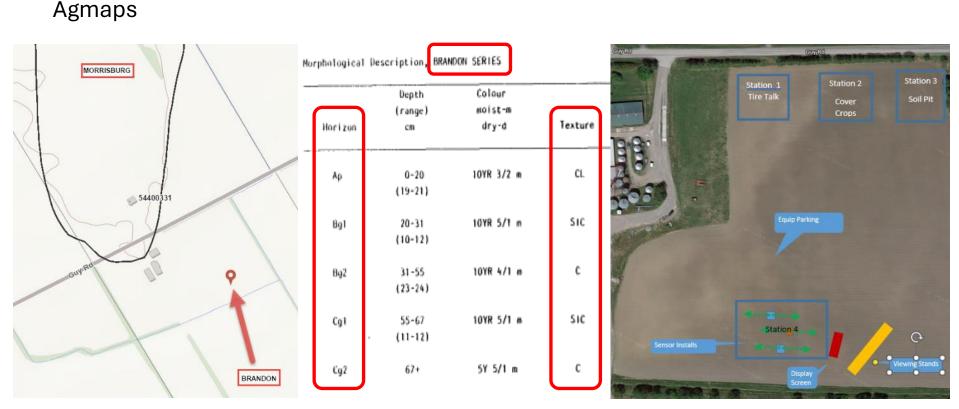
### **Dundas SCIA Compaction Event**

- Dundas's compaction event was the second one conducted by the Ontario Soil Compaction Team.
- The soil at the site was a Tuscola Silt although most would classify it as a clay.
- Water was applied several times to mimic spring or fall soil conditions on the dry surface of the wheat stubble. It is not known how uniform the soil wetness was throughout the soil profile used in each sensing demonstration. Equipment submitted for testing was only sensed on the wetted pit.
- Prior to the event, water was applied to small parts of the field to wet the soil via sets of four 1000L totes arranged in a square with small holes drilled in the bottom of each. At more recent events the Team has created twin sets of sensor pits to compare wetted soil with the current soil conditions post wheat harvest. Several sets of pits were created so that we had lots of redundancy for comparing all the equipment supplied for testing. These sets of twin pits were marked to keep any but the test traffic off to reduce any chance of other pass effects impacting the results.
- The area watered needed to be longer and wider than any individual track or tire to be tested across the sensors to ensure that dry soil at the edge of the wet sensor pit was not supporting part of the weight of the implements compared to the wet portion of the area of the sensors which would skew the responses.
- All equipment was cataloged and weighed by each wheel/track on day 1 and run over the sensors on day 2.
- Sensors were installed at depths of 6", 12", 20" using a custom designed apparatus. At the time of
  installation we do not know definitively if the above depth targets are correct, but when the
  sensors are uninstalled we check each depth and from all installations and they have been within
  1" for each target depth at each event.
- Sensors were connected to a large display screen to share with the audience the real time response of each piece of equipment detected by the sensors and was recorded for later reporting.
- Sensors were measuring "pressure" detected at each depth not compaction.
- Pressure is used as a proxy of compaction susceptibility and is not a direct measure of soil compaction.

#### **Site Soil Details**

Ontario Soils Maps – OMAFRA

• The soil at the site was a primarily Brandon soil with a Clay Loam surface and Silty Clay B Horizon according to the county soil map.



Site Layout

https://www.lioapplications.lrc.gov.on.ca/AgMaps/Index.html?viewer=AgM aps.AgMaps&locale=en-CA

#### Site Soil Details (cont.)

Physical and Chemical Analyses, BRANDON SERIES

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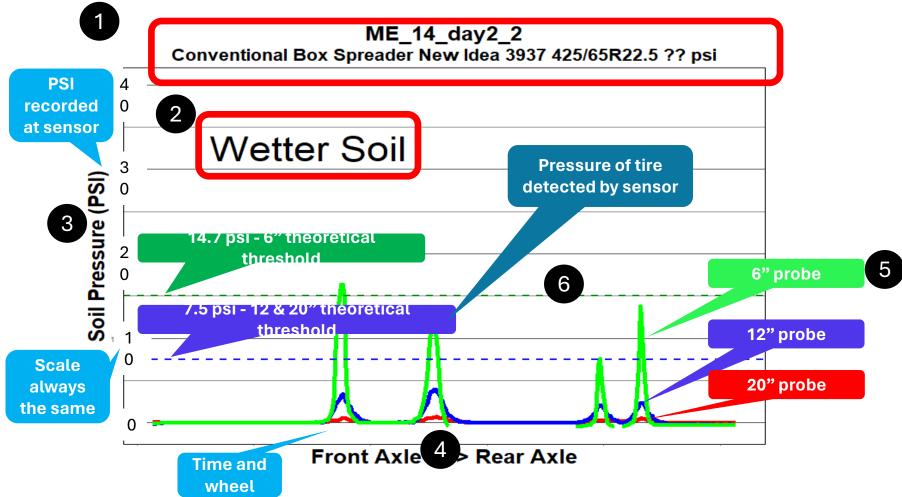
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https://sis.agr.gc.ca/cansis/publications/surveys/on/on58/on58-v2\_report.pdf pg 20. Further info on these soils in Report 1on pg 36-37 of Vol 1 (on58/on58-v1).

### **Interpreting the Data**

- The data collected at these events is not rigorously collected scientific data but its aggregation across all events shows trends that can direct us in the correct path to lower our risk of soil compaction.
- But the data collected it is more than simple "demonstration"!
- The data from an individual equipment pass should not be used for decision making.
- For a typical event, the team weighs and senses each piece of equipment. Multiple sets of Wet/Dry pits are prepared and used depending on how well the soil in the trafficked pits resists the stress. Thus different pieces of equipment or even the same equipment may have been tested on different sets of sensor pits and our experience has shown that we often get significant differences in response from the same equipment across different sensors located within as close as 30 feet of each other, and 30 feet is the distance we select to allow safe traffic flow around pits when preparing for an event.
- The other important variable to be aware of is that our sensor at the end of the pressure tubes is only 6" long, such that we may miss being directly over the critical sensing part of the sensor with the tire when an individual piece of equipment passes over. We try to ensure that any passes that are obviously not correct are abandoned and not included in the data.
- Refer to our overall Soil Compaction Event Learnings document for the aggregate determination of trends from all of the compaction events.

#### Typical Layout of Response Charts



### **Understanding the Charts**

- Referring to the diagram on the page above, all exhibits receive a similar chart
- To support your interpretation of the exhibit, the charts are organized as follows:
  - 1. Title at the top that gives a brief description of the setup tested.
  - 2. Indicates whether the data is from a "Wet" or "Dry" pit, where the wet is one that has been watered and the dry is that condition of the field as it is.
  - 3. "Soil Pressure" in "Pounds per Square Inch" (PSI) is measured on the "Y" axis.
  - 4. Time/axle is measured on the "X" axis, and should be read from left to right, so the most left set of curves will be the first wheel to cross the sensor, usually the front wheel of the power unit, but not always since sometimes the front wheel is missed or mostly missed in lining up the rear dual of a tractor.
  - 5. The pressure response from the sensors to the travel of the tires over the sensor are "Green=6", Blue=12" and Red=20" sensor".
  - 6. From European work for a "general soil" there, scientists have estimated that 14.7 PSI is the theoretical threshold for which pressure should be below at the 6" depth (note dotted **GREEN** Line), and below 7.5 PSI at the 12" and 20" depths (note dotted **BLUE** Line). We have not validated those thresholds in Ontario but having them there offers the viewer an indication of the severity of compaction potential associated with a given configuration of equipment.
  - CAUTION some of the equipment may not have directly navigated over the sensors, do not use an individual set of response curves as the definitive answer as to whether the observed equipment configuration is more or less prone to causing soil compaction

### **Important Reminder**

- Soil Compaction Events conducted by OSCIA and other event coordinators in cooperation with the Ontario Soil Compaction Team, are not a COMPETITION!
  - The equipment used in the events made possible from committee members, individual farmers and equipment sponsors are a platform to test various configurations of equipment
  - All of the platforms used can have similar configurations outfitted on them.
  - Any power unit or towed implement can be configured to lessen the risk of soil compaction.
  - Users of this information are encouraged to engage with others in finding the best solutions to their particular situations.

## **Key Learnings**

- To lower the threat of soil compaction the compaction events have identified the following learnings:
  - Dryer soil is less susceptible to soil compaction than wet!
  - Lighter equipment is less likely to cause compaction compared to heavier equipment.
  - The more of (axles, duals, triples) and the better quality of tires (VF>IF>Radial>>>Bias) that are available on a piece of equipment that can operate at lower tire pressures will reduce the risk of soil compaction.
  - Where significant loads are carried routinely over roads and fields, Central Tire Inflation Systems (CTIS) are an important consideration to optimize tire pressure for the situation and therefor equipment operation to minimize the potential for soil compaction.
  - Compromising on tire pressure regarding road and field recommendations is highly discouraged, it just leads to trouble!
  - Tracks can be a good option where increasing tire size/number is not possible, BUT, you have to consider the cost, extra weight, extra maintenance that often come with converting to tracks.
  - Additionally with tracks, there is no doubt that they can go through more tough conditions BUT if they are carrying similar total and axle weight to a wheeled option, they run the same risk of soil compaction, if not worse because of tearing up the soil more than would happen when you elected not to put a wheeled piece of equipment in the field because the conditions were too marginal.

### **Addressing Soil Compaction**

There are many ways to protect yourself from soil compaction. Compaction is not a moment in time issue. Avoiding compaction in the moment and being set to buffer against compaction is an ongoing management challenge but implementing some or all of the below is a good way to start!

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1. Tile Drainage 2. Build Better Soils 3. Avoid Wet Soils 4. Bigger Tires 5. Lower Tire PSI 6. Use Inflation/Deflation Systems 7. Better Tires 8. More Tires/Axles 9. Less Passes **10. Less Tillage 11. Control Traffic** 12. Lower Load Weights 13. Choose configurations carefully 14. Be Patient

The management decisions listed that can reduce soil compaction are in no particular order.

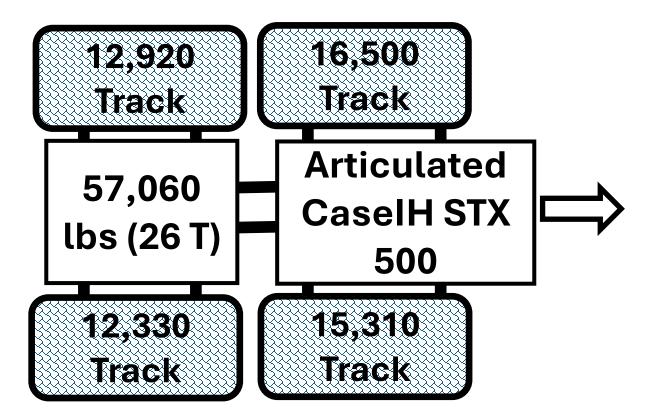
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# 2019 Dundas Soil and Crop Compaction Event

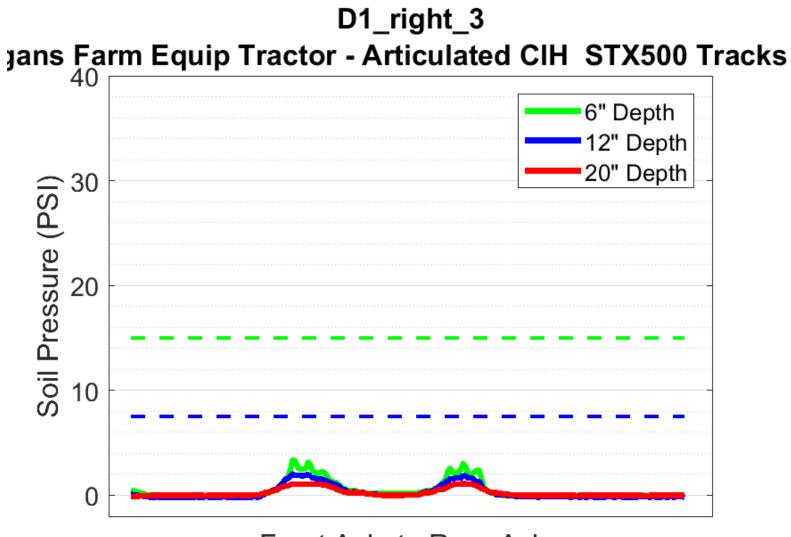
## Exhibit: D1 CaseIH Quadtrak STX500 Tracked Articulated Tractor



#### Exh: D1







<--Front Axle to Rear Axle -->

### Plot Comments –D1

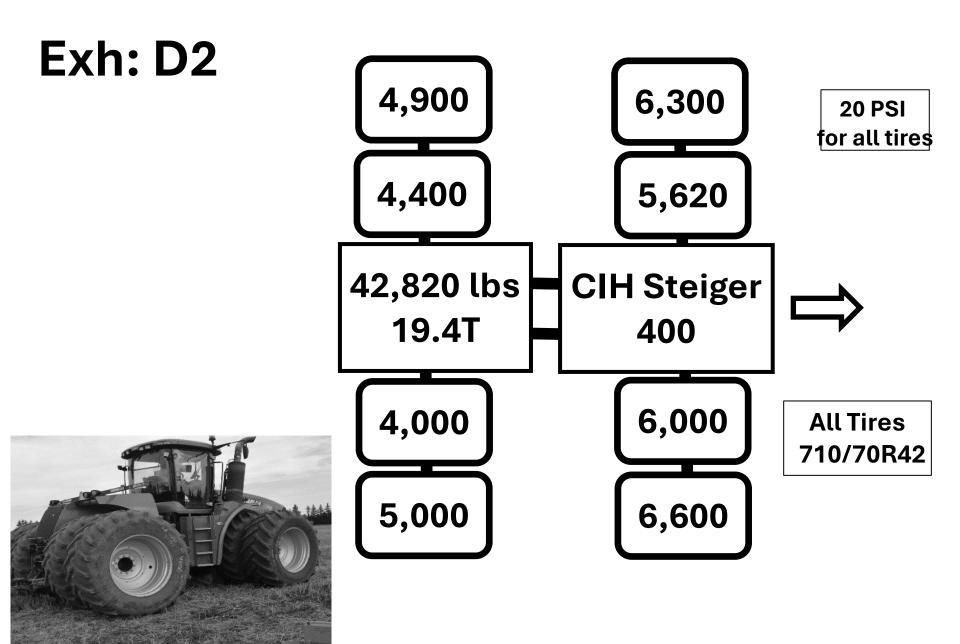
- This is a curved bottom track
  - Notice how there are only 3 peaks on each curve, corresponding to the small rollers on each track unit.
  - The hard ground conditions meant the track was not bearing on the entire surface.
- The deeper pressures are a concern with this amount of weight.
- But in this situation the stress transferred into the soil was suitable for the soil in terms of avoiding compaction under these conditions.

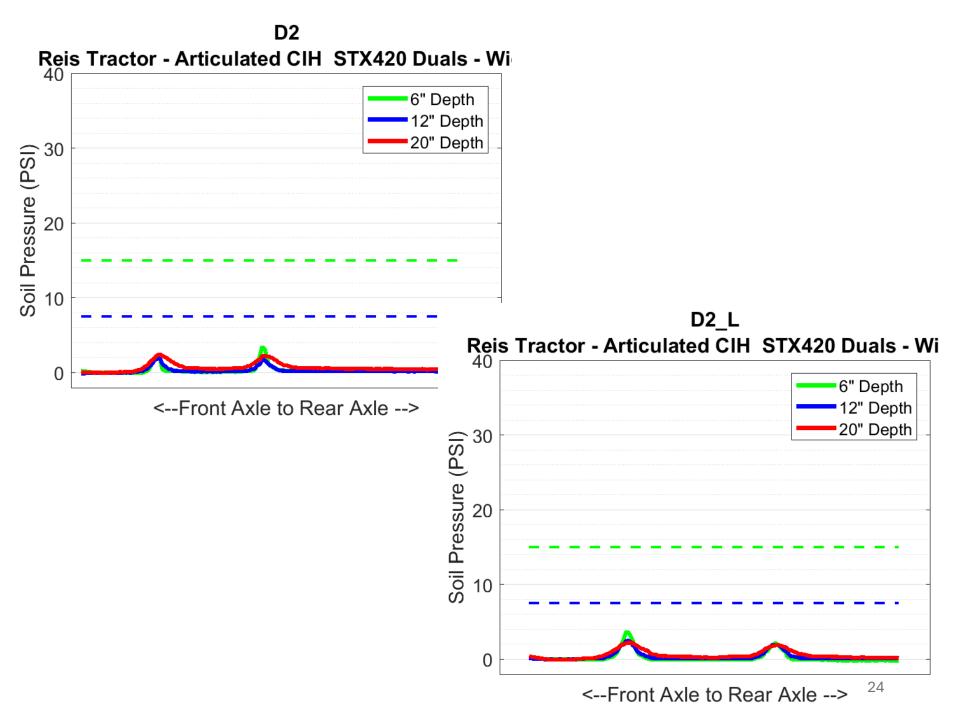


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## Exhibit: D2 CaseIH Steiger 400HD Dualled Articulated Tractor w710s







### Plot Comments - D2

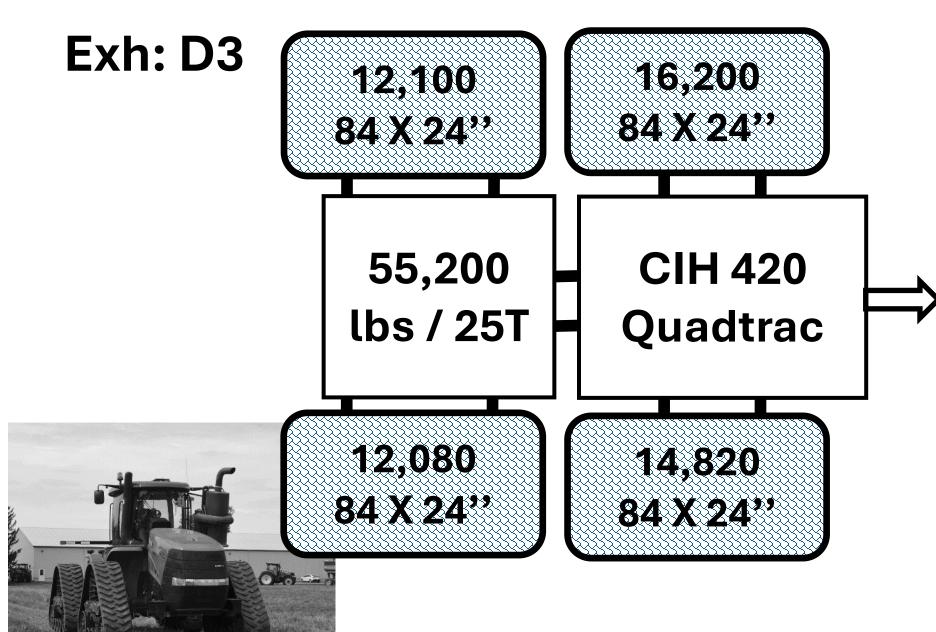
- This Unit was tested at the \_3 installation.
- This is a wheel tractor, comparable stress at depth effect compared to D1 (tracked articulated Steiger) as even accounting for lighter axle weight

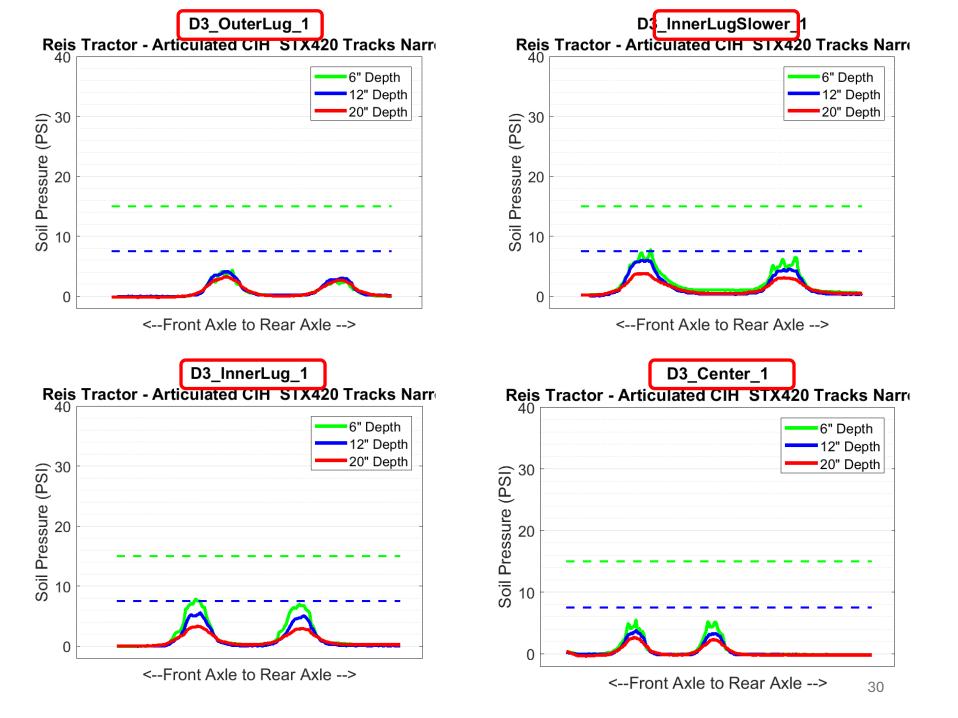


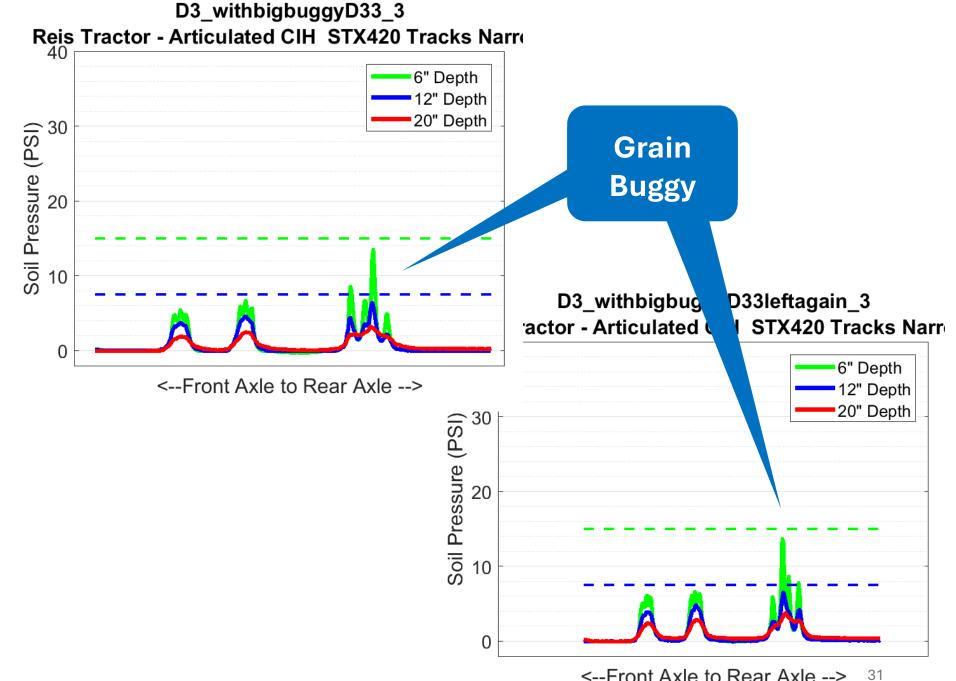
# 2019 Dundas Soil and Crop Compaction Event

## Exhibit: D3 CaseIH Steiger 420 Tracked Articulated Tractor









<--Front Axle to Rear Axle -->

### Plot Comments – D3

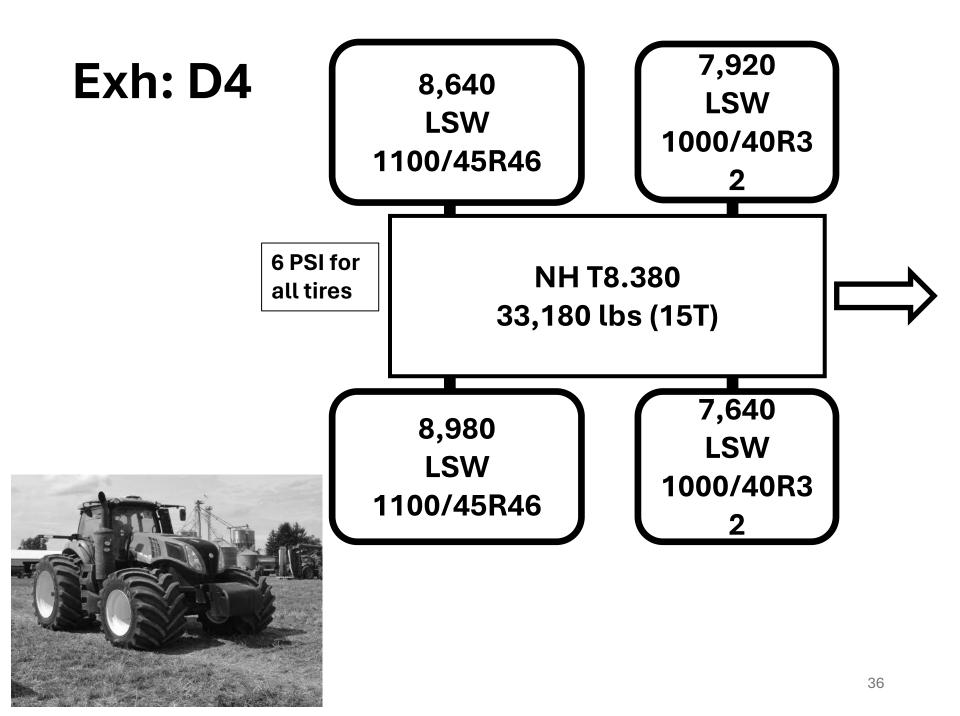
- This is a good configuration for compaction avoidance.
- Similar results to D1 and D2, this unit we tested the distribution underneath the track.
- The sensor was aligned under the outer lug, inner lug and down the center of the track.
- The center of the track had slightly lower stress since there was no direct contact to the rollers.
- Also notice how only the mid rollers carried the weight of the machine.
- The grain buggy was a tracked unit. Notice the higher stress at all depths which is a concern with very heavy implements.

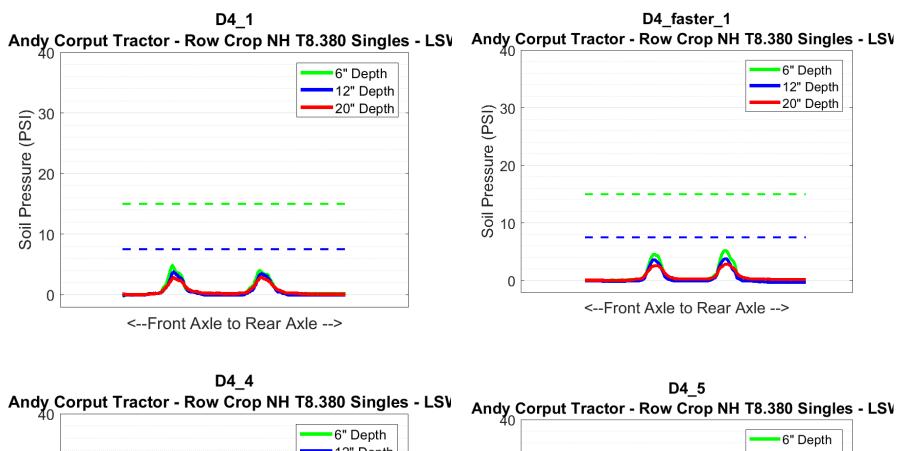


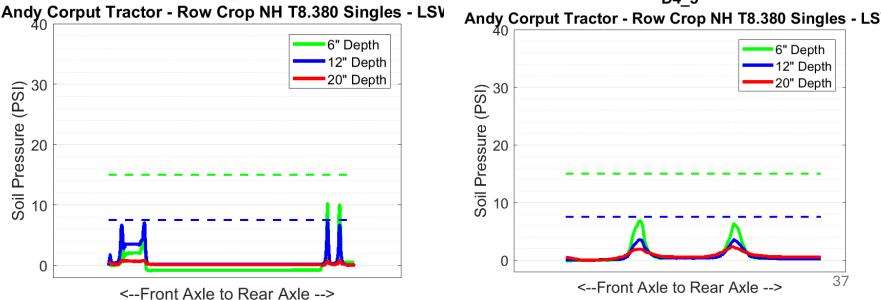
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## Exhibit: D4 New Holland T8.380 w 1100 LSWs







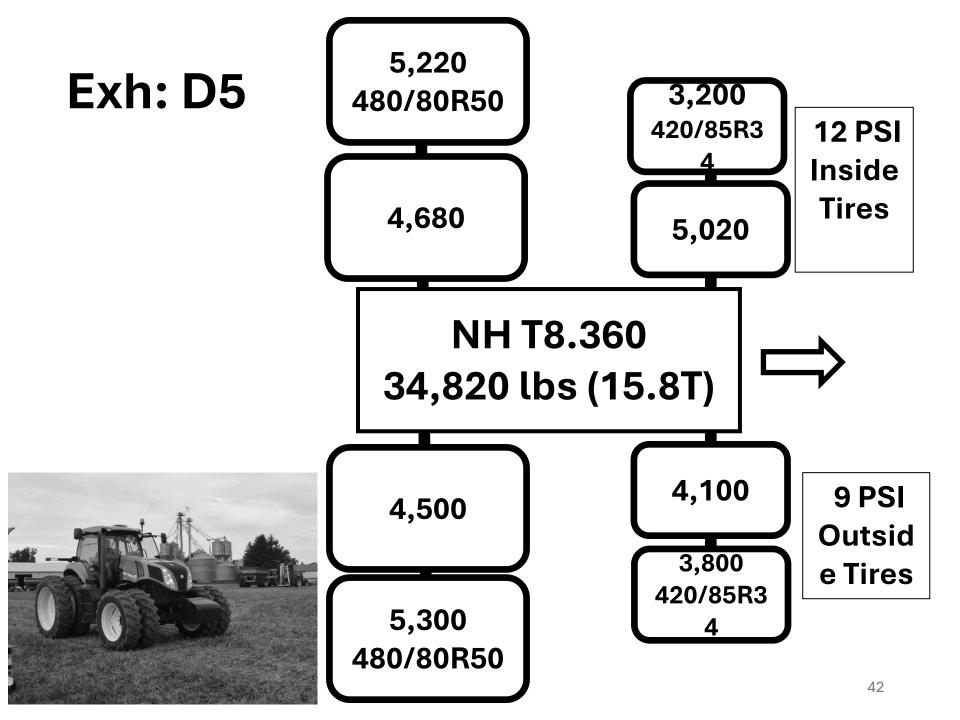


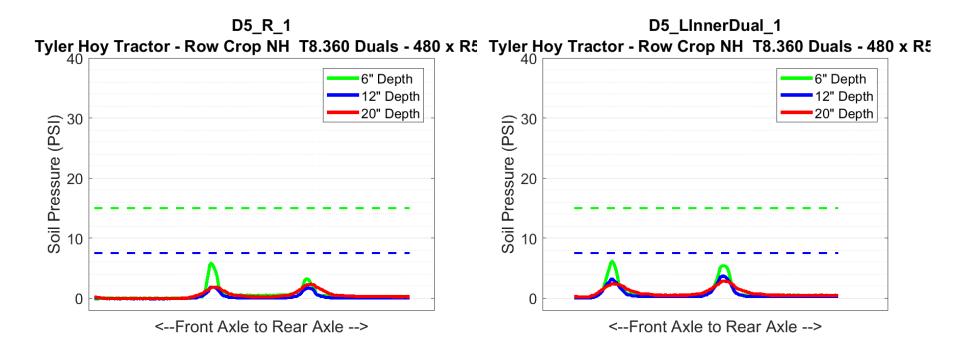
- Even with the large tires on this tractor, the total weight is still causing stress at depth.
- Stress at the surface is significantly lower than would be expected with a narrower tire at higher pressure.



### Exhibit: D5 New Holland T8.360 Dualled Row Crop Tractor w 480s







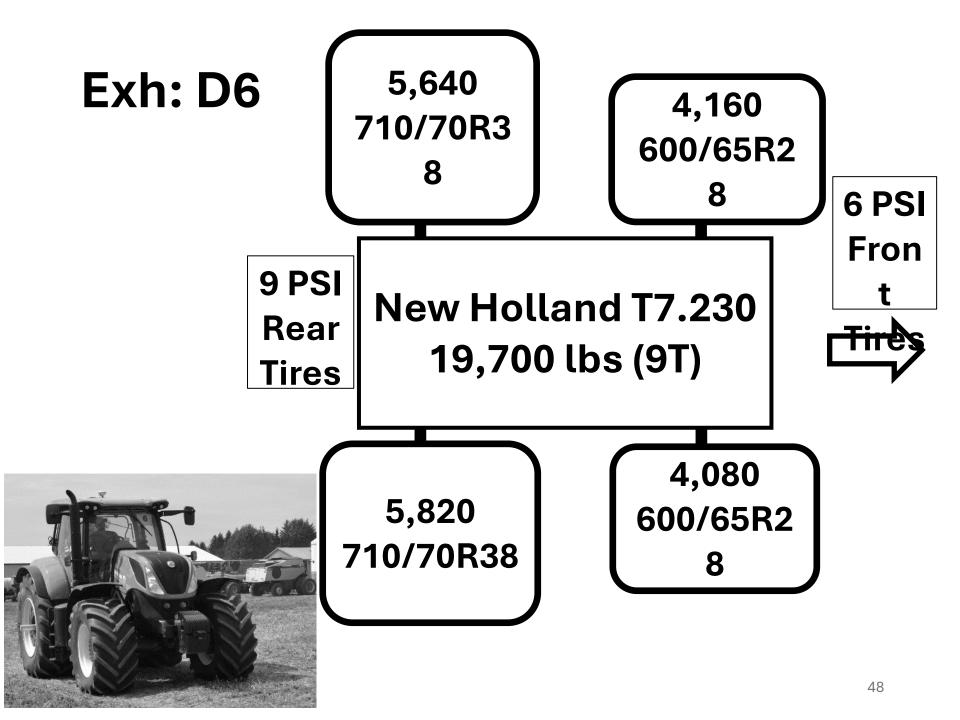
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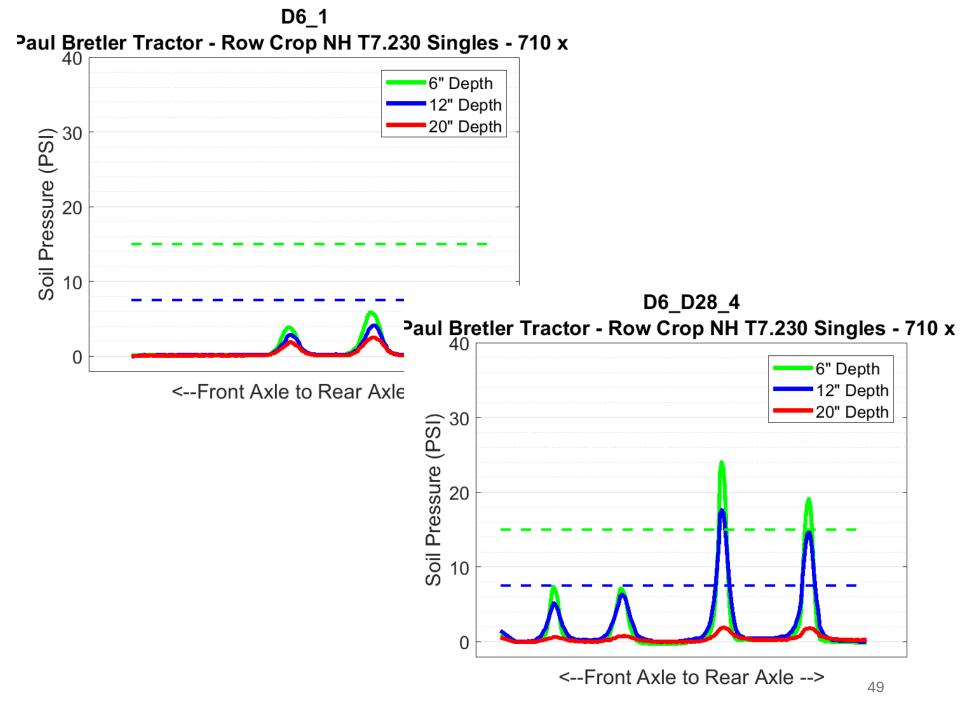
- Similar stress at depth compared to D4 with LSW,
- The higher pressure tires compared to D4 mean a higher stress at 6 inch depth.
- This was the stress under the outer dual. It would be expected that stress under the inner duals would be higher as they have higher pressure and would carry more of the weight. Our equipment cant accommodate inside duals, which is why outside was tested.
- The two top graphs are from Pit 1 and he bottom Pit 4+5. Note how different pits can show different responses or response levels.



### Exhibit: D6 New Holland T7.230 Big Singles Row Crop Tractor w 710s





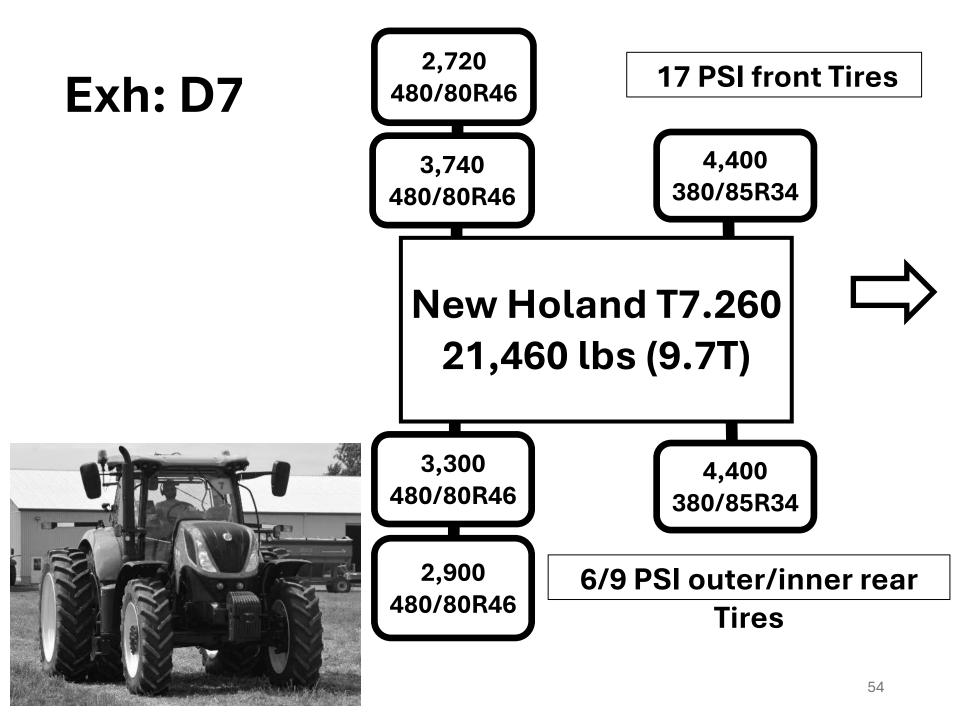


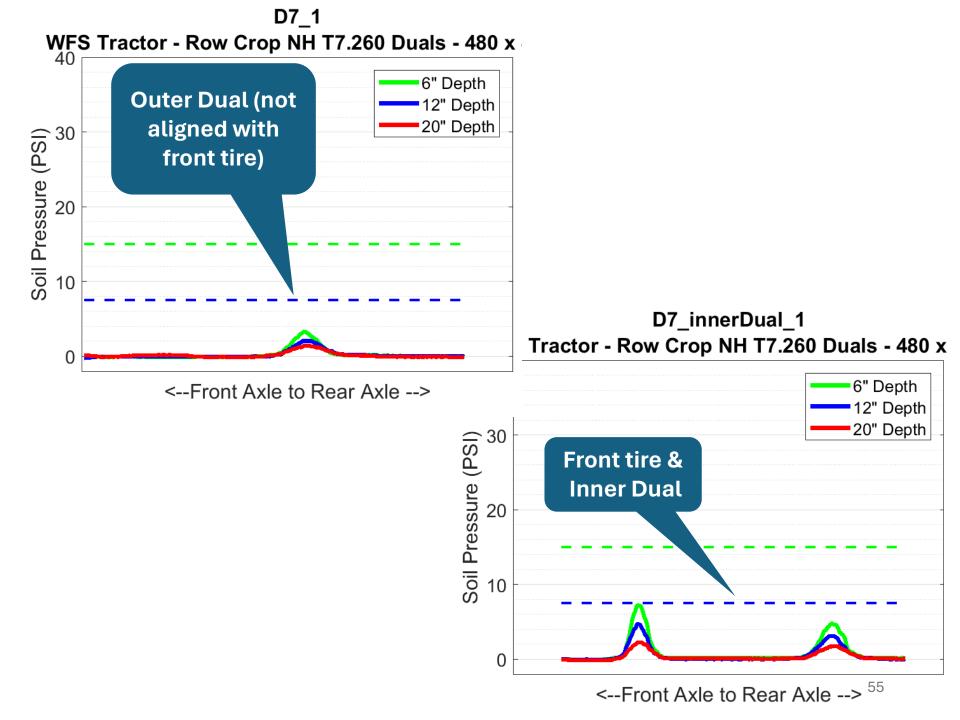
- This is a lighter tractor than the others tested. Slightly lower stress even with narrower tires.
- D6\_D28\_4 only the left two peaks are the tractor.
- The \_4 sensor location had significantly more moisture in the top 12 inches with would explain the higher stresses in the top two sensors at this location.
- This speaks to the variability of soil even in close proximity that makes the responses from individual exhibits problematic in interpretation.

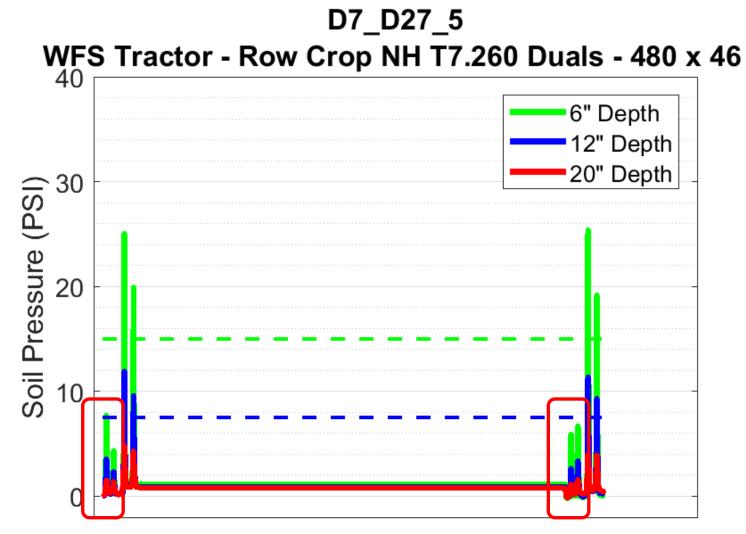


### Exhibit: D7 New Holland T7.260 Dualled Rear Row Crop Tractor w 480s









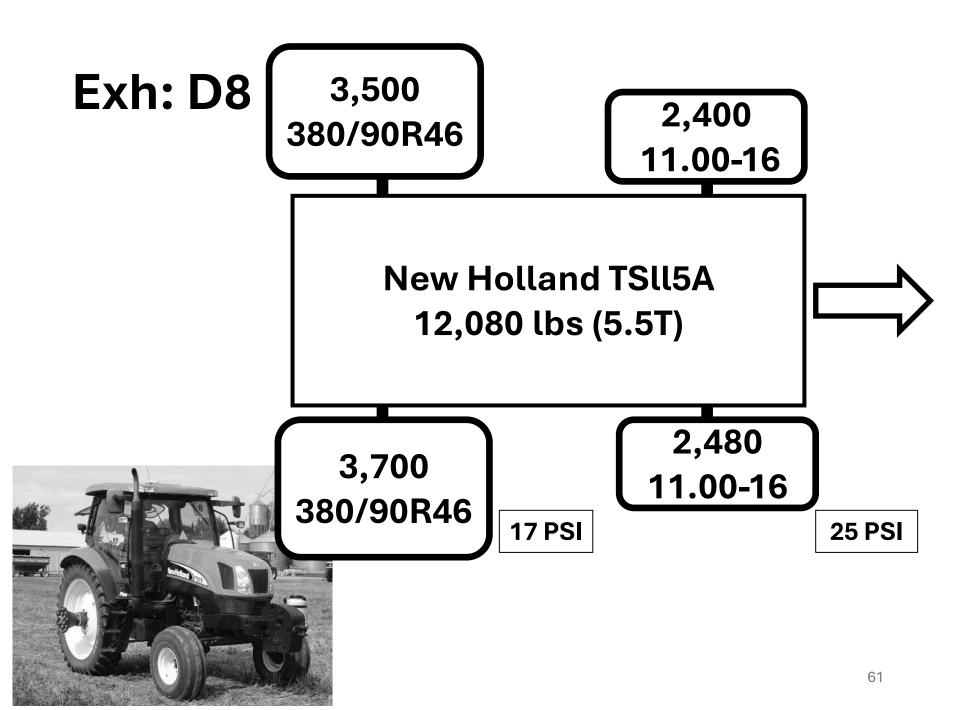
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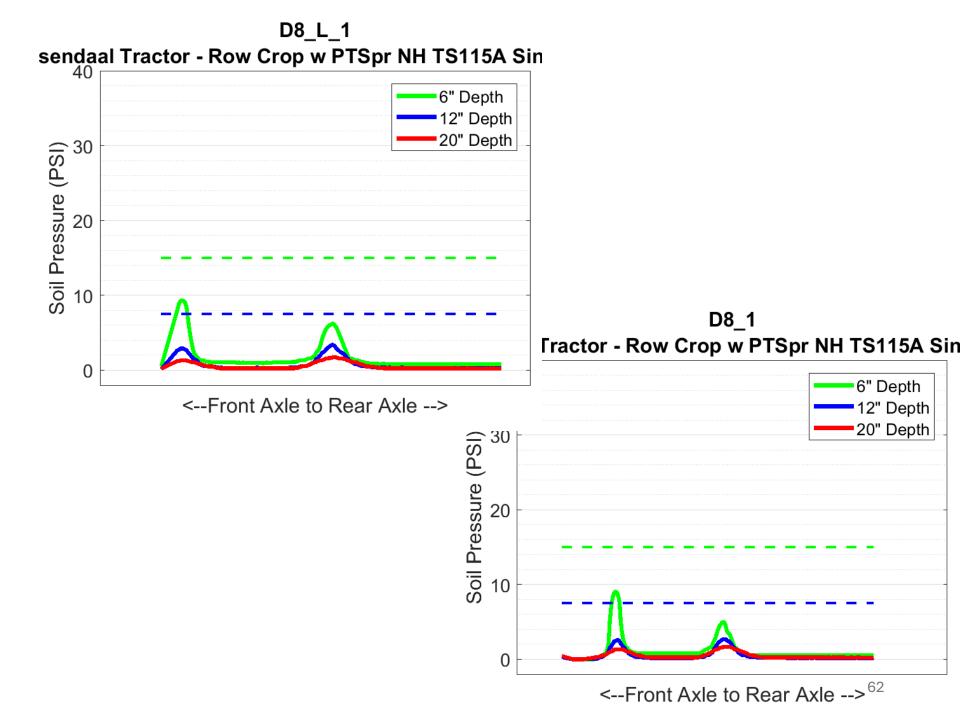
- The first plot D7\_1 is the outer rear dual. This tire would not be carrying an equal load as the inside dual is at a higher PSI.
- The inner dual show a higher stress under the front tire which would be expected due to the much higher tire pressure.
- In the 3<sup>rd</sup> graph the tractor tires are enclosed in the red boxes. The other response curves are from Exh: 27, a gravity wagon.
- The tractors soil stress is much lower at all depths than the Gravity Wagon (see Exh: D27).



### Exhibit: D8 New Holland TS 115A Singled Row Crop Tractor w 380s





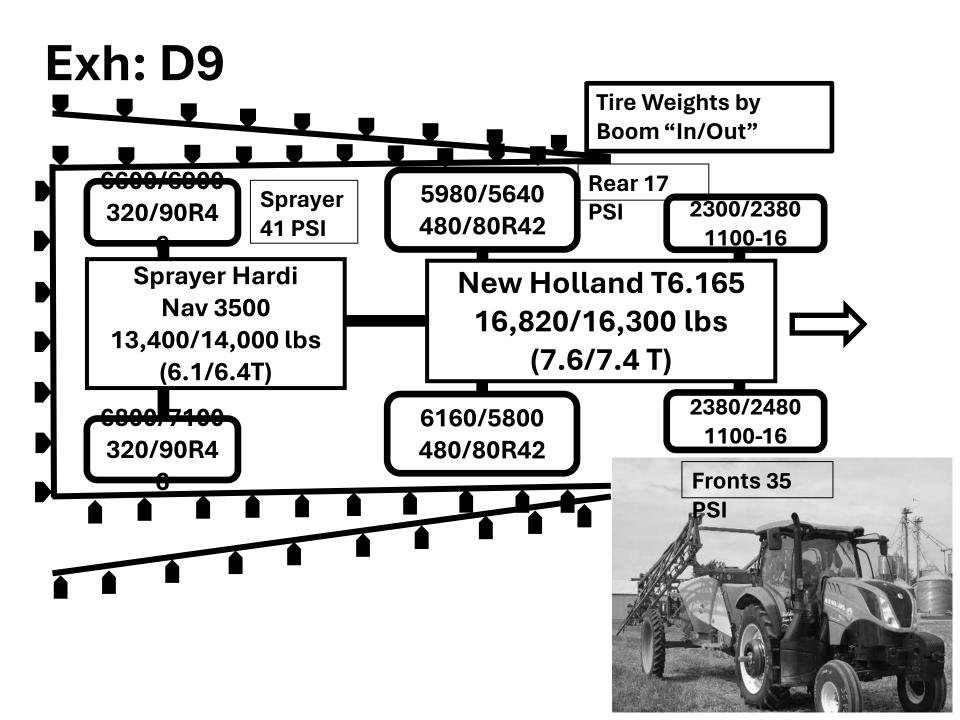


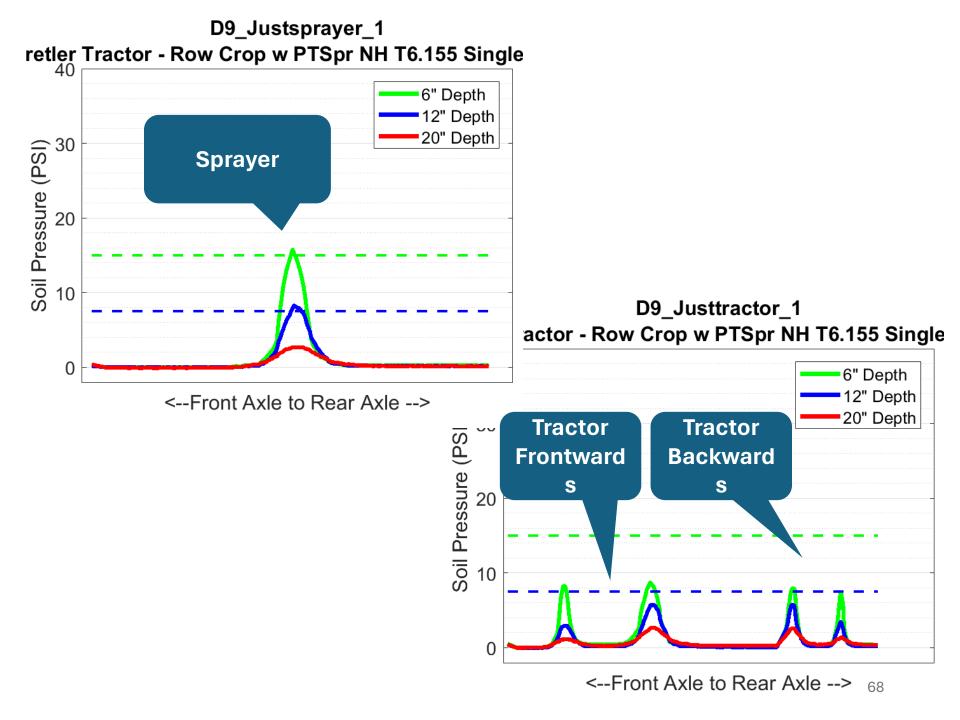
- This is a much light tractor but has significantly high tire pressures and narrow widths
- The front tires are Bias and have a round contact profile.
- The higher stress at 6 inches is an effect of the high tire pressure.
- Lower stress at depth compared to other heavier tractors is due to the much lower overall weight.



### Exhibit: D9 New Holland T6.165 Singled Row Crop Tractor w 480s + Hardi Navigator PT Sprayer w 320s





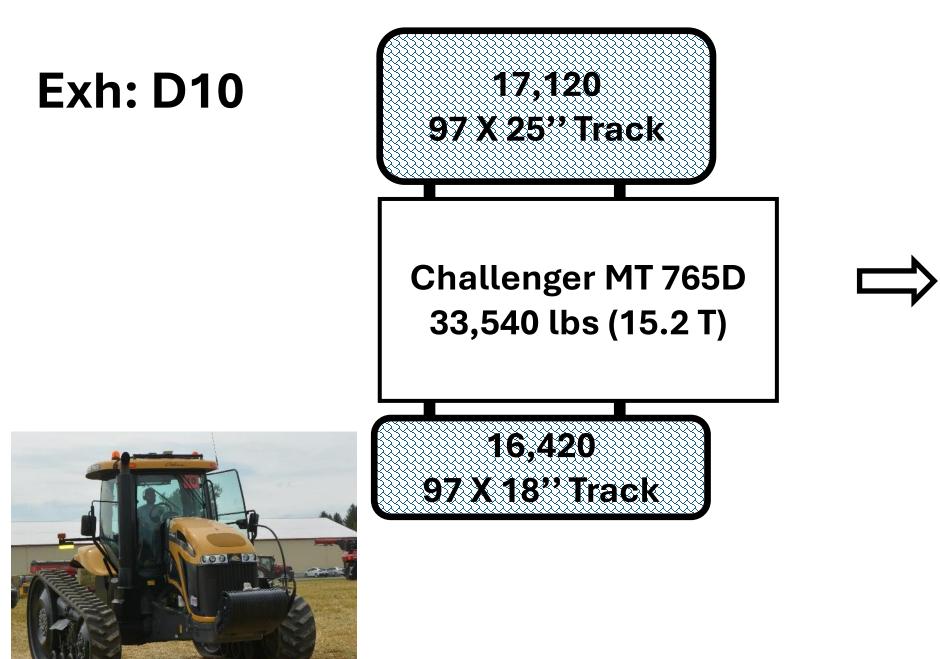


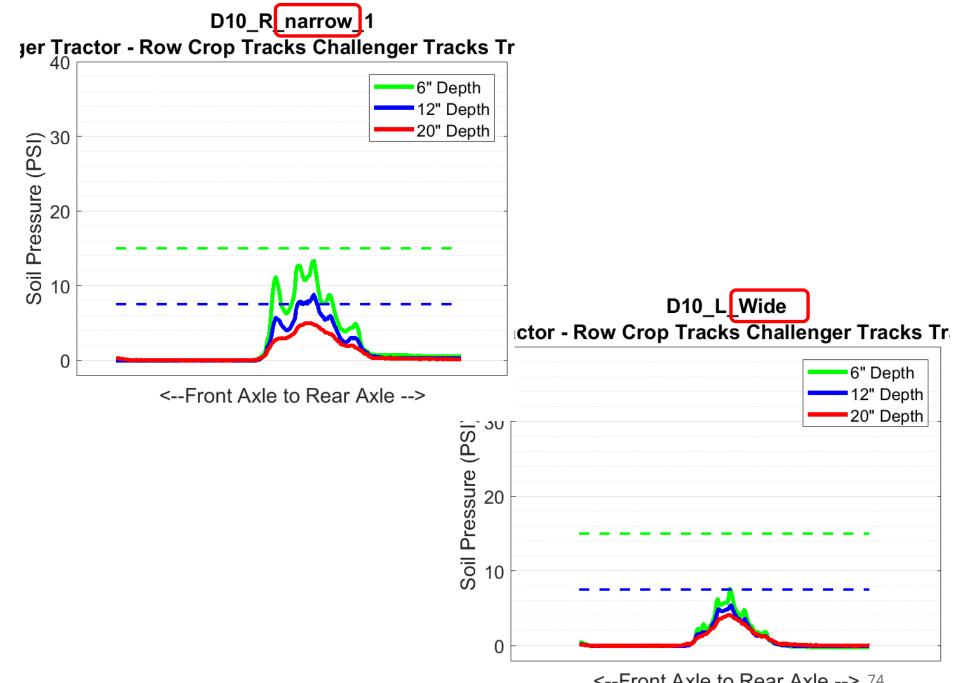
- Very narrow and high pressure tire on the sprayor combined with a heavy load means increase stress at all depths.
- The D9\_justtractor\_1 plot shows the tractor driving over the sensor and backing up over the sensor again to avoid the sprayor damaging the measurement equipment.
- The middle peaks on the plot are the rear tire of the tractor. The rear tire had more weight due to the tongue weight of the sprayer, increasing the stress at 12 inches.



### Exhibit: D10 Challenger MT 765D Wide vs Narrow Twin Tracked Row Crop Tractor





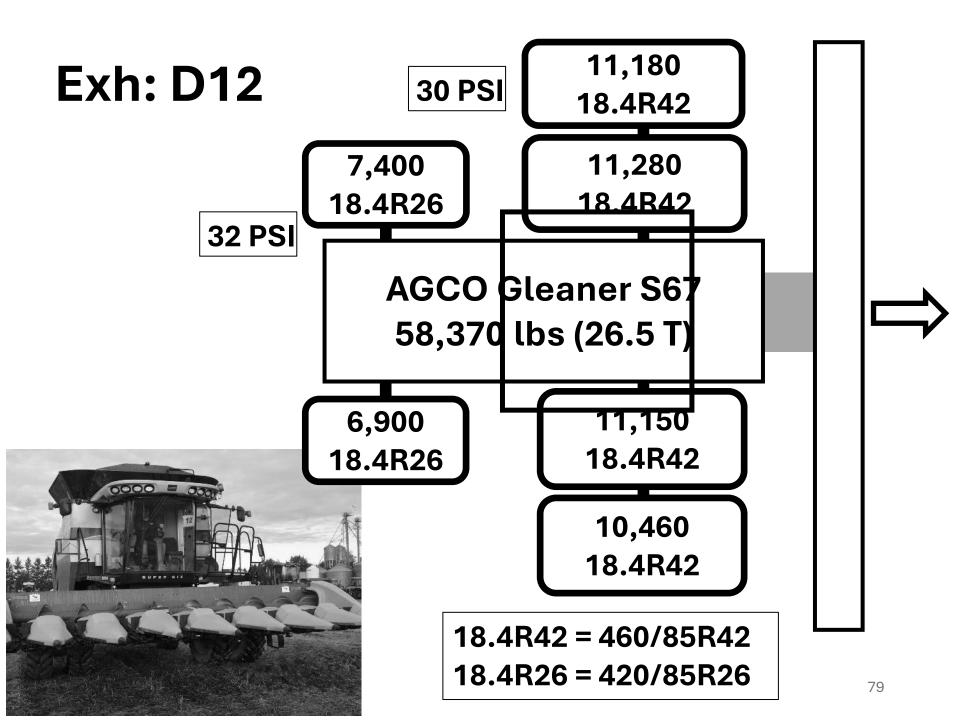


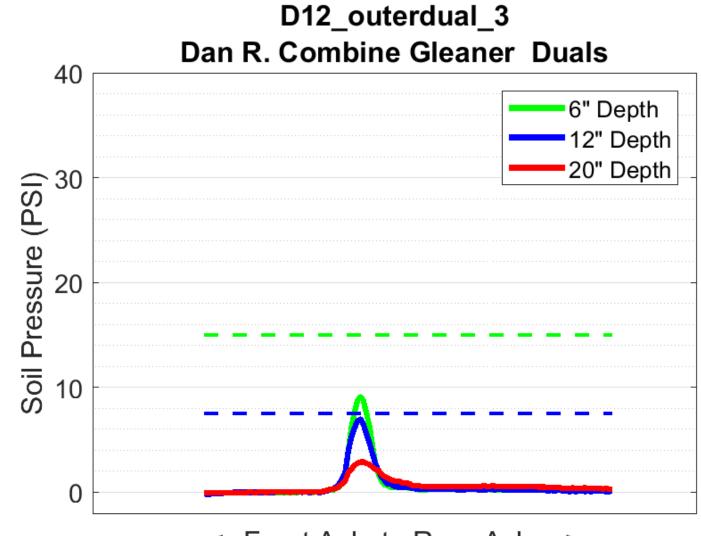
- The weight of this machine can be distributed over a wider track and reduce the stress at 6 and 12 inches.
- However, the stress at 20 inches was very similar for both the wide and narrow tracks since total weight is what drives compaction deeper and can only by offset by lightening the total load.



### Exhibit: D12 AGCO Gleaner S67 Dualled Combine w 18.4R42Fr/18.4R26Rr (460s)





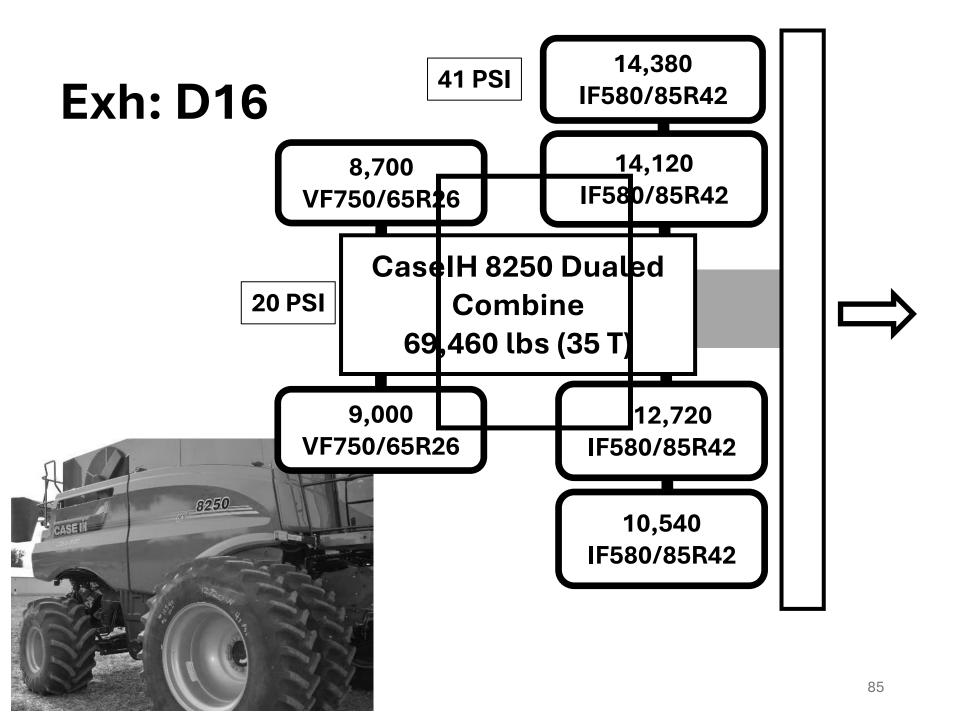


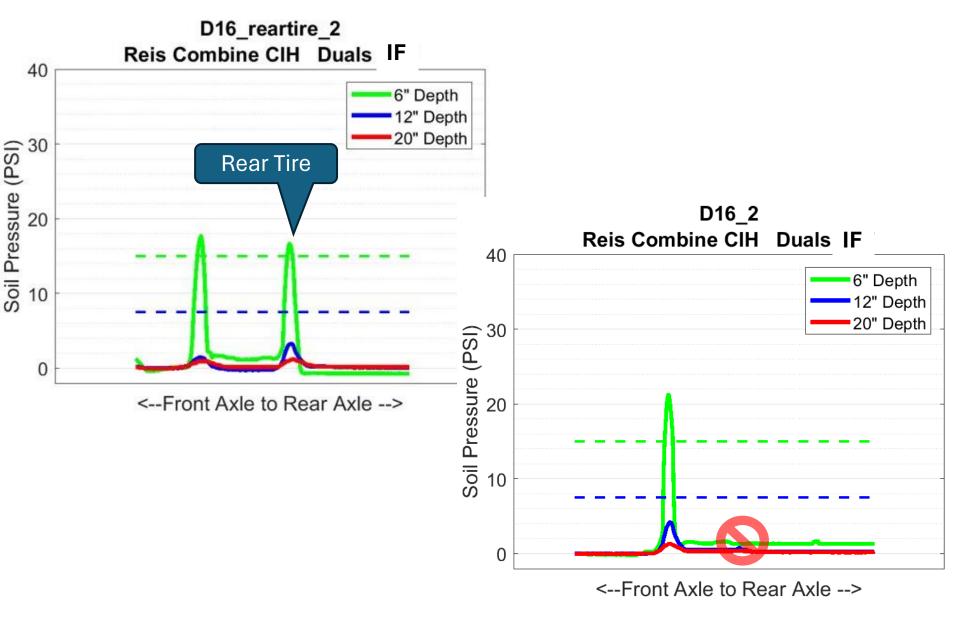
- This combine shows a similar trend to most combines
  - Heavy weight will tend to show more stress at depth
- Relatively narrow dual wheels at 30psi is on the poor end of a combine setup.

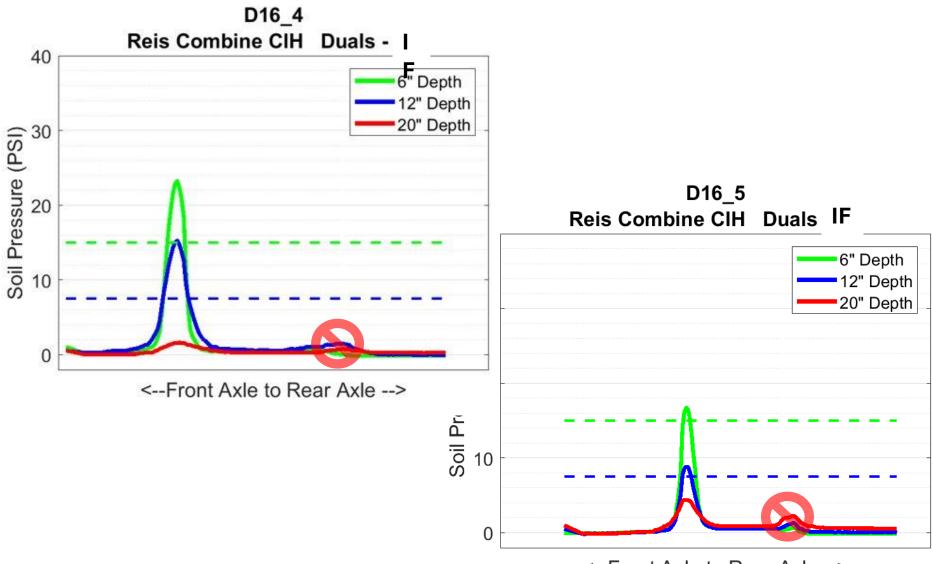


### Exhibit: D16 CaseIH 8250 Dualled Combine w 580s & 750 Rears









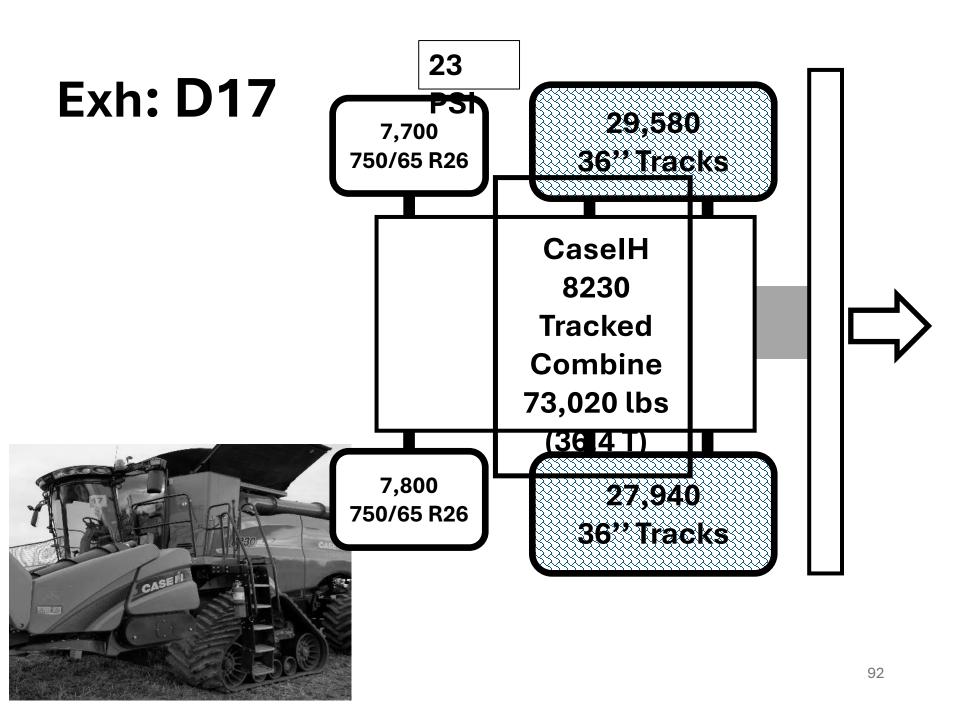
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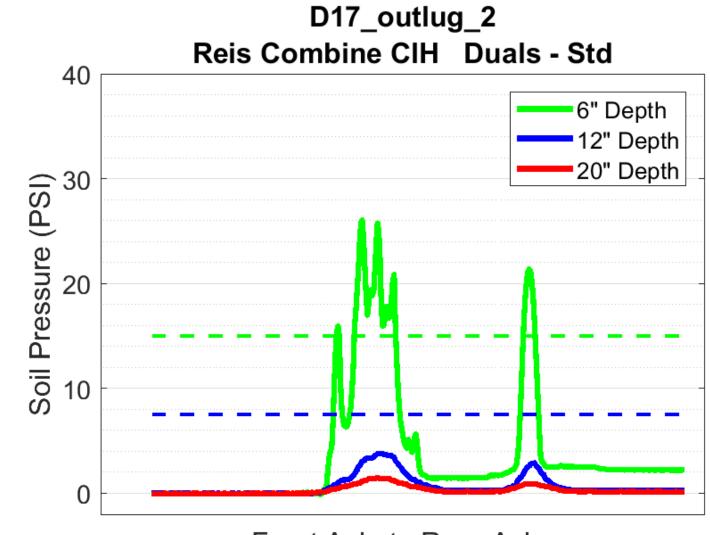
- This combine, although it was sporting IF dual radial tires, still had 41 PSI, where we should be targeting less that 20 and preferably less than 15 if not lower.
- This is seen in the plot with very high stress at the surface



### Exhibit: D17 CaselH 8230 Tracked Combine w 750 Rears



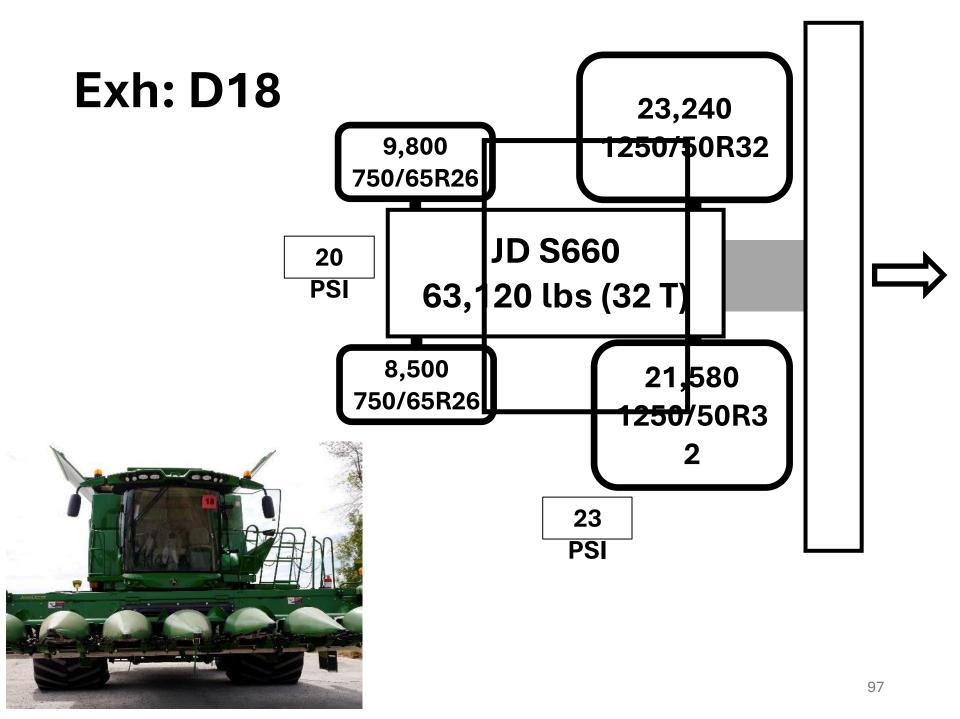


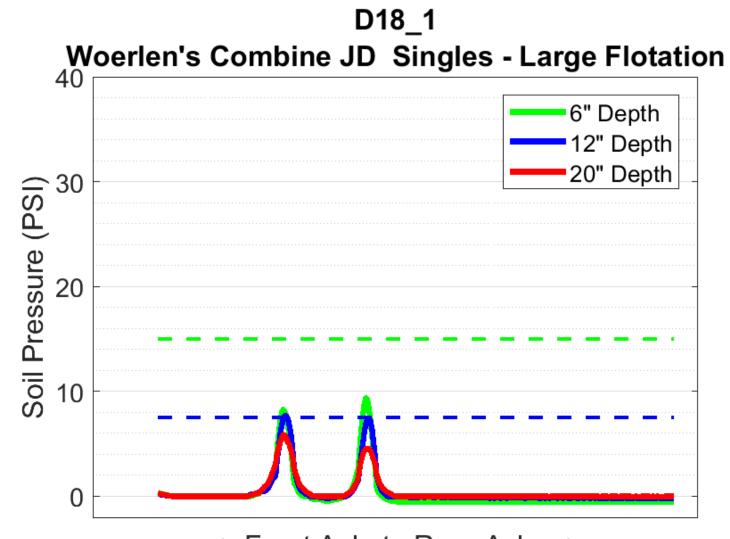


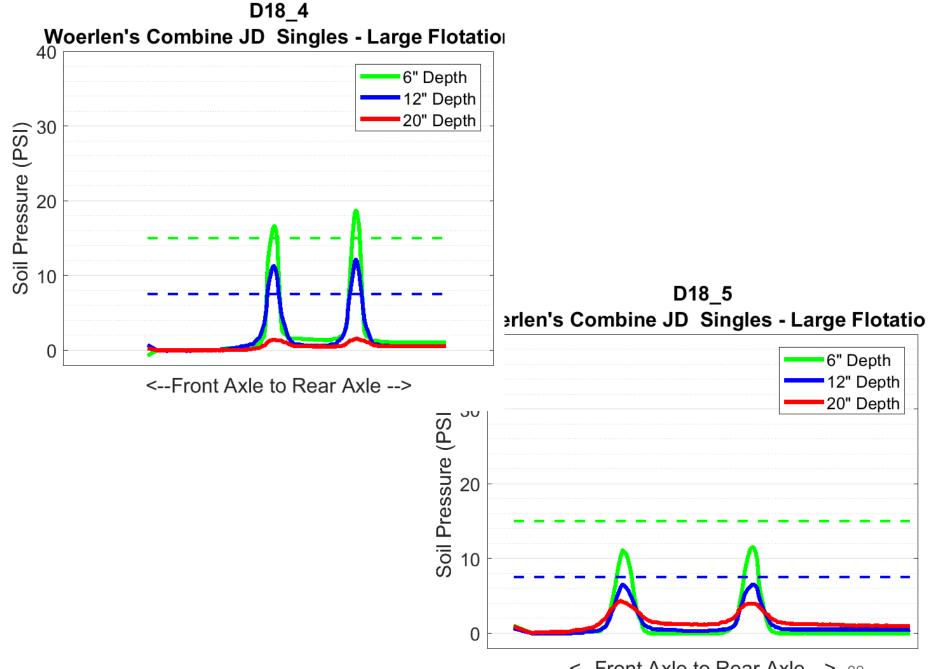
- This combine showed very high surface stress. Very similar to the D16 wheeled combine plot.
- Most of the weight is carried by the mid rollers of the track unit as shown by the green spikes in the graph.
- Note the impact of the rear steering tire as well.

### Exhibit: D18 JD S660 Big Singles 1250s Combine w 750 Rears









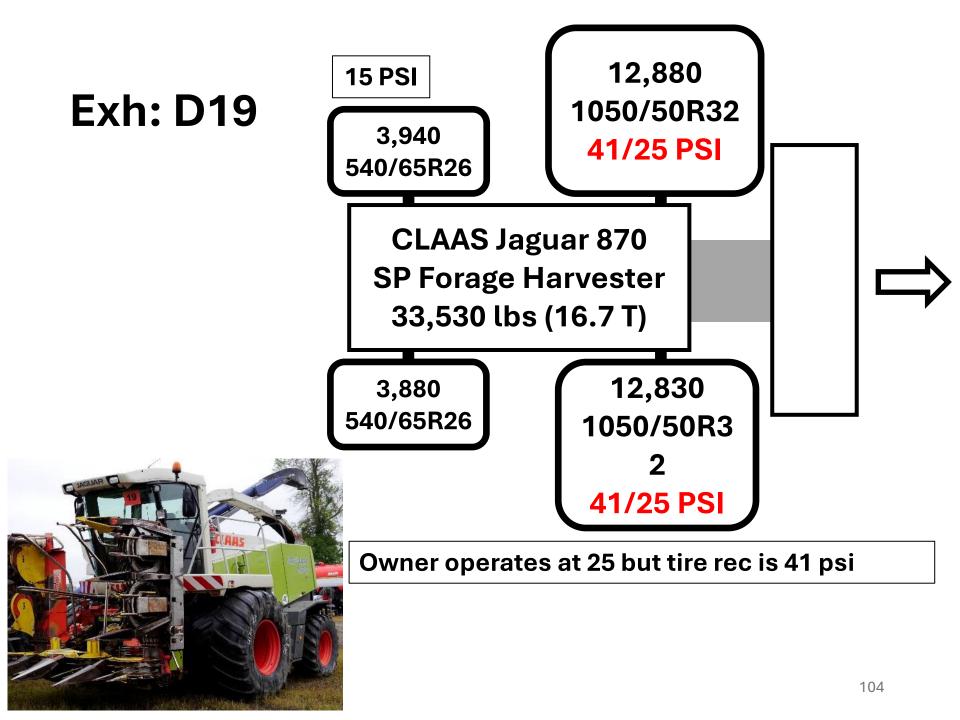
- Large tires at a moderate pressure again show lower stress in the upper soil but note the Blue and Red curves near the dotted blue line, this is cause for concern.
- Heavy weight is apparent with the stress at 20 inch depth for Pit 1 and 5. Different from Pit 4 and reinforces the issue about changes in soil and moisture between pits in the same field.

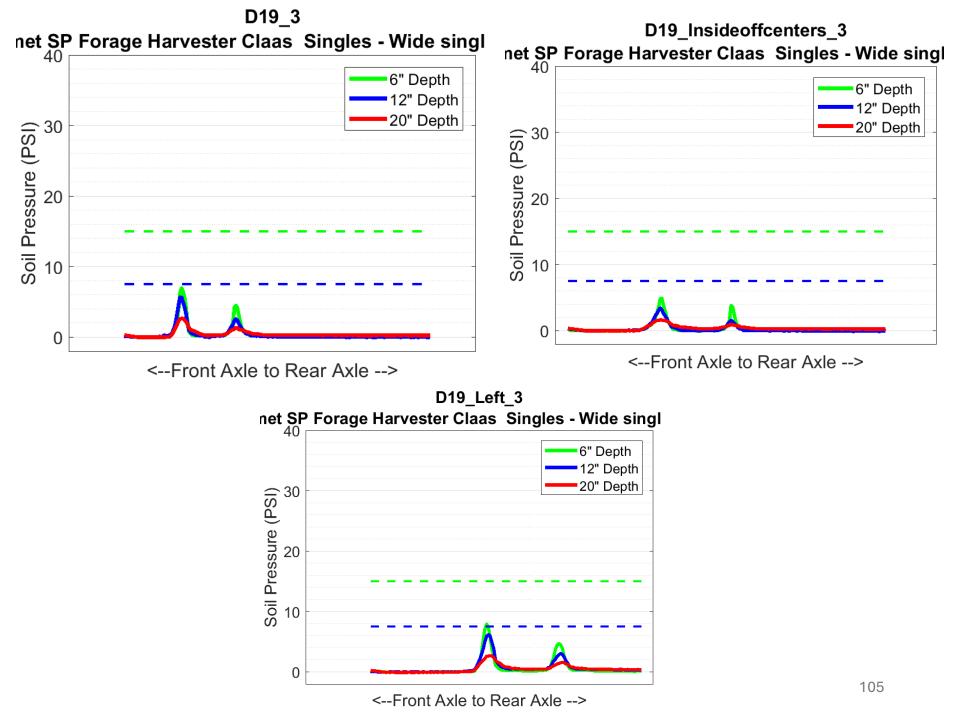


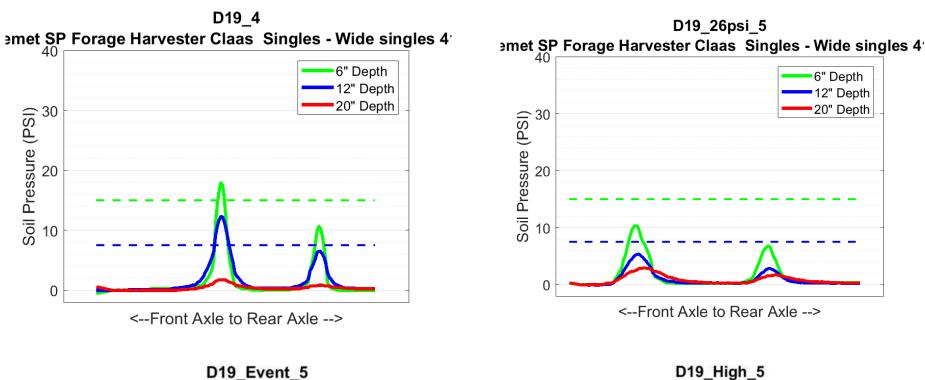


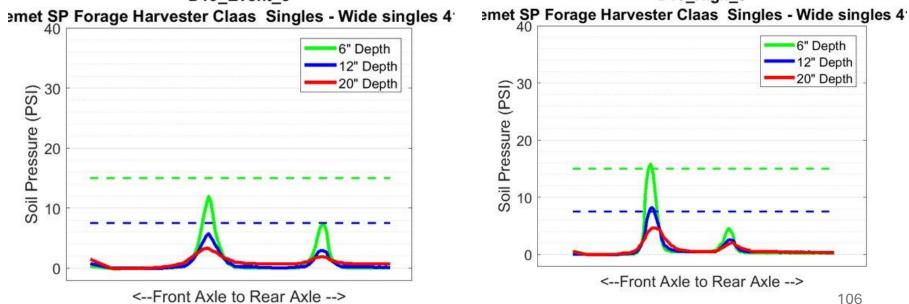
### Exhibit: D19 Class 870 SP Forage Harvester w 1050 Fronts w CTIS and 540 Rears









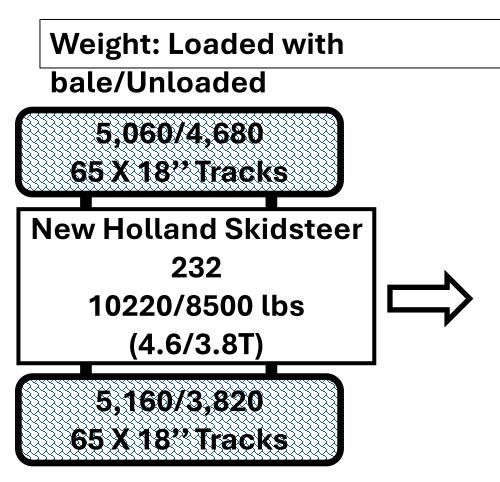


- These plots show the benefit of a CTIS system installed on a forage harvester
- The harvester has a heavy front axle load and the high pressure tires can be lowered in the field to reduce the stress in the topsoil

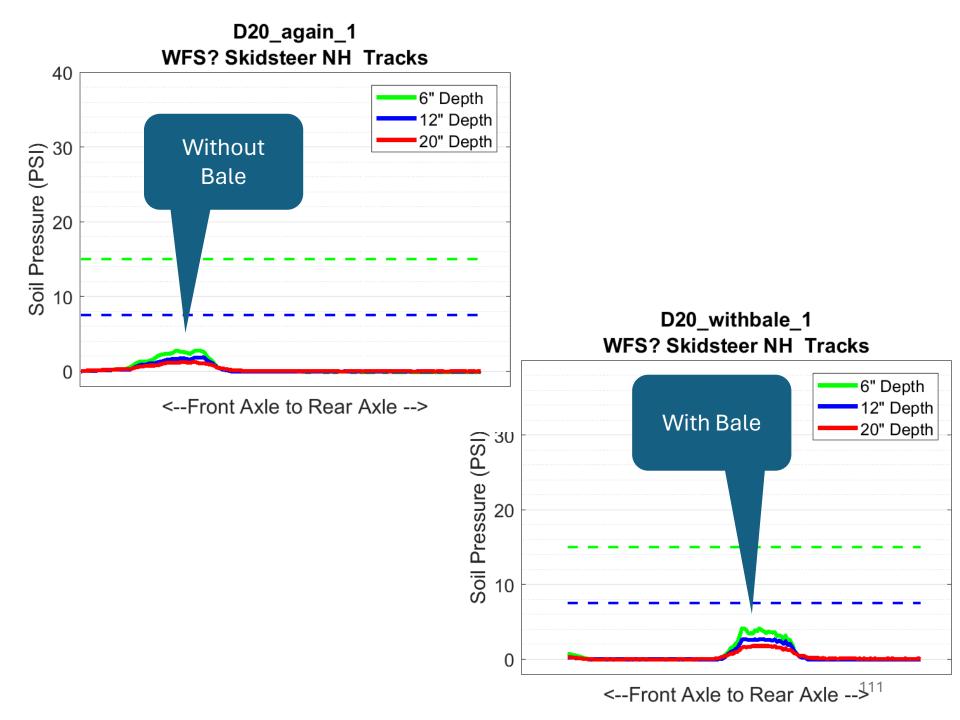
### Exhibit: D20 New Holland C232 Tracked Skid Steer Loader



### **Exh: D20**





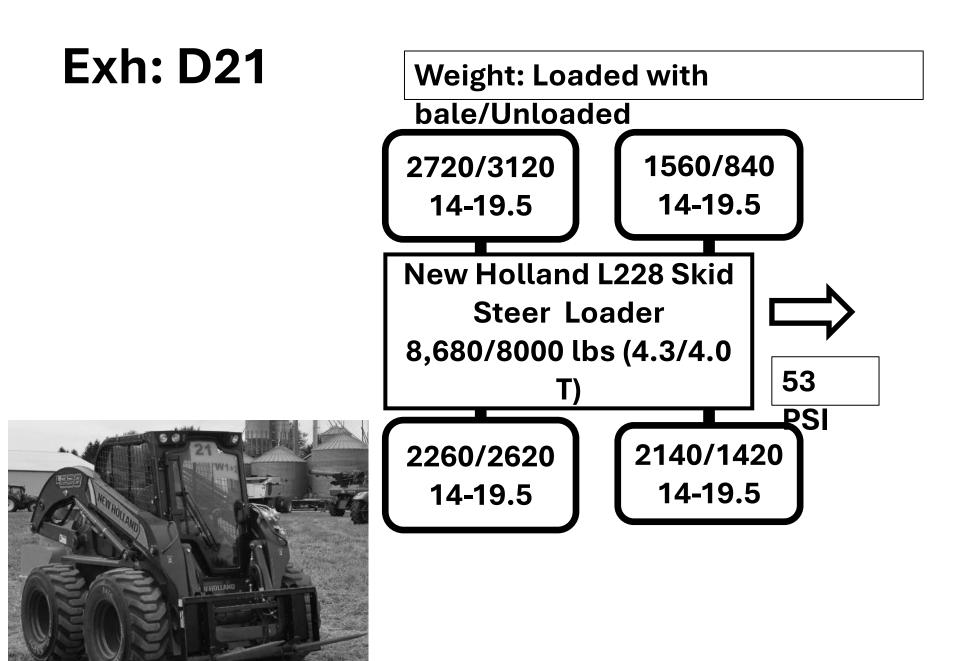


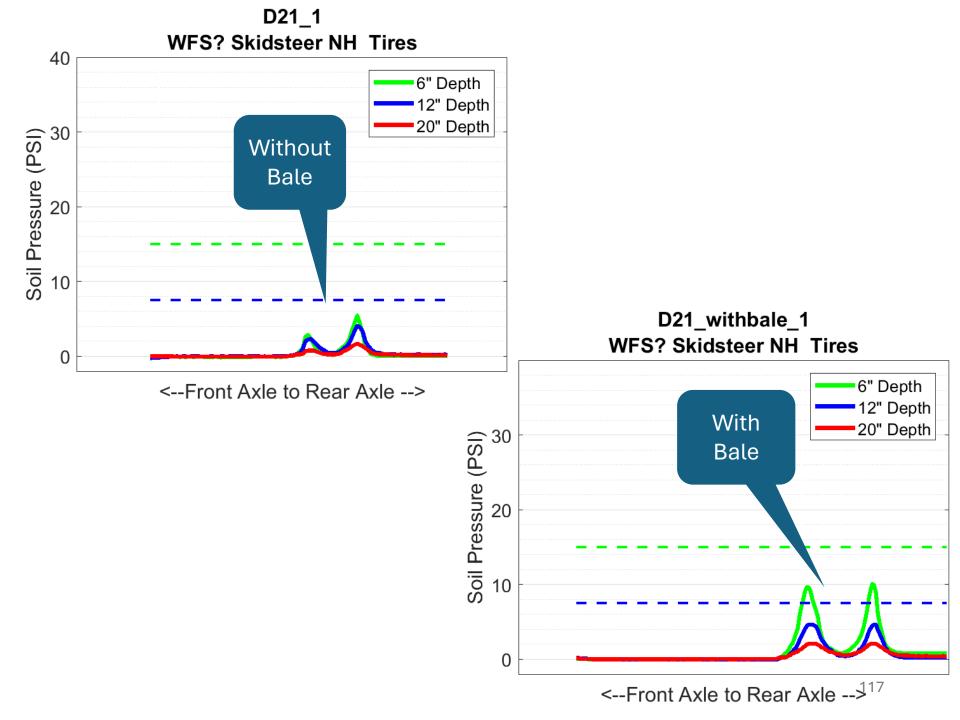
- This a light machine so stress is low
- When the bale is carried you can see the slight shift of pressure to the front rollers on the track represented in the plot.



## Exhibit: D21 New Holland L228 Skid Steer Loader





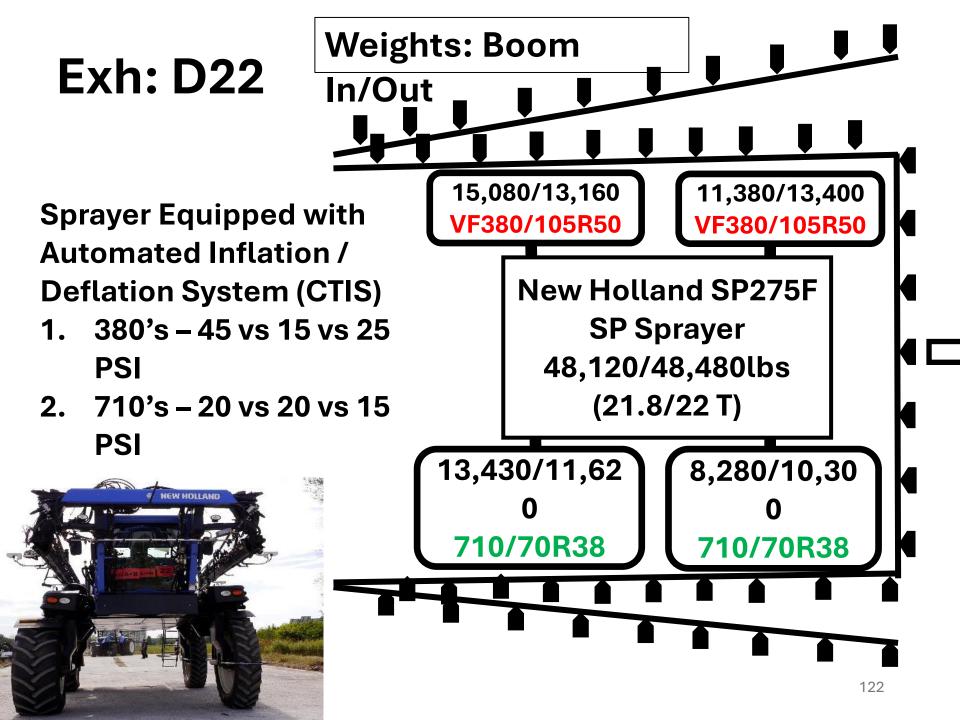


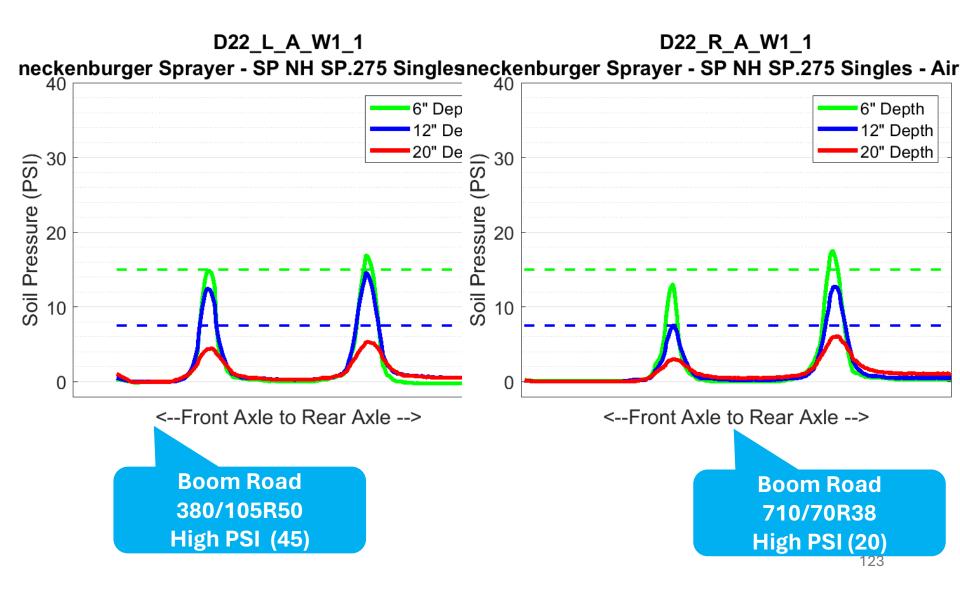
- Although a much lighter machine than the tracked skid steer there is much high soil stress both with and without the bale.
- Bias tires requiring high PSI (53) transfers more weight into the soil than better tires with lower PSI.

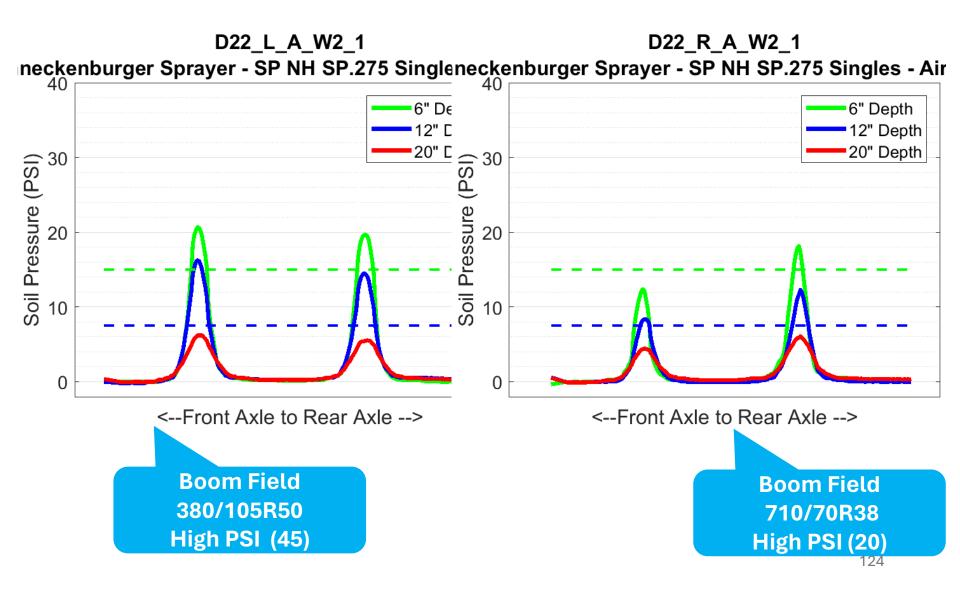


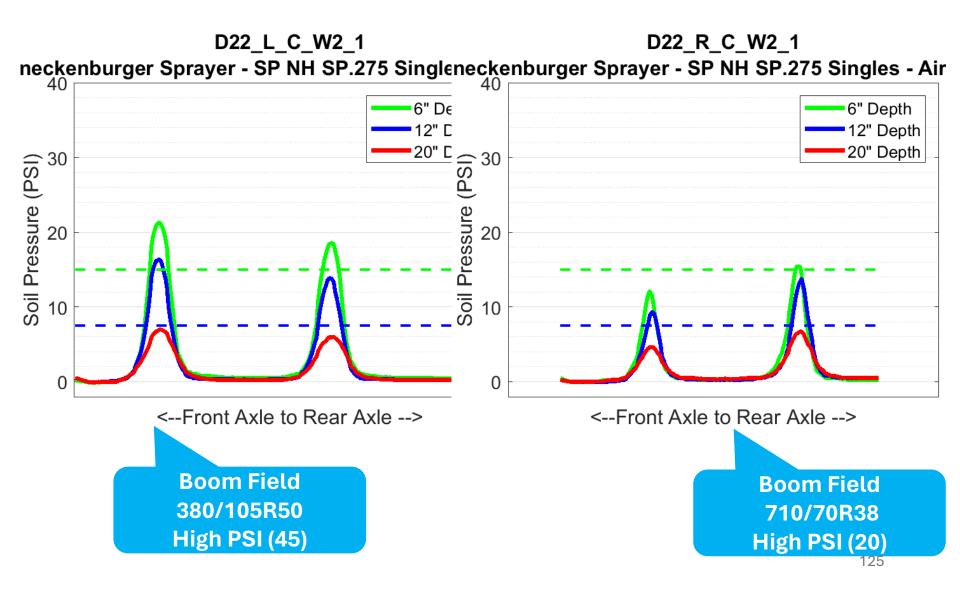
## Exhibit: D22 New Holland SP275F SP Sprayer w Automated CTIS Inflation/Deflation System & 710s vs VF380s

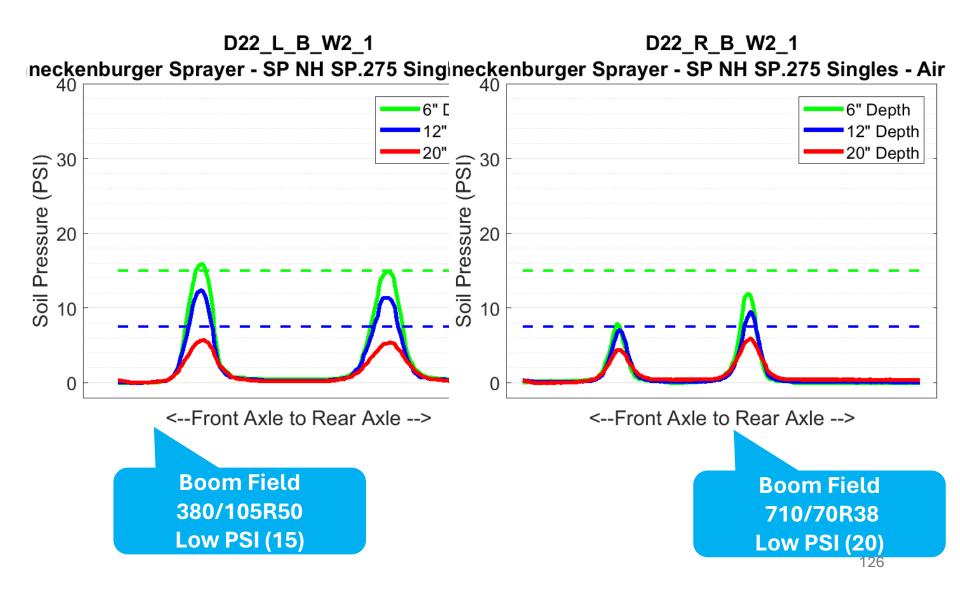










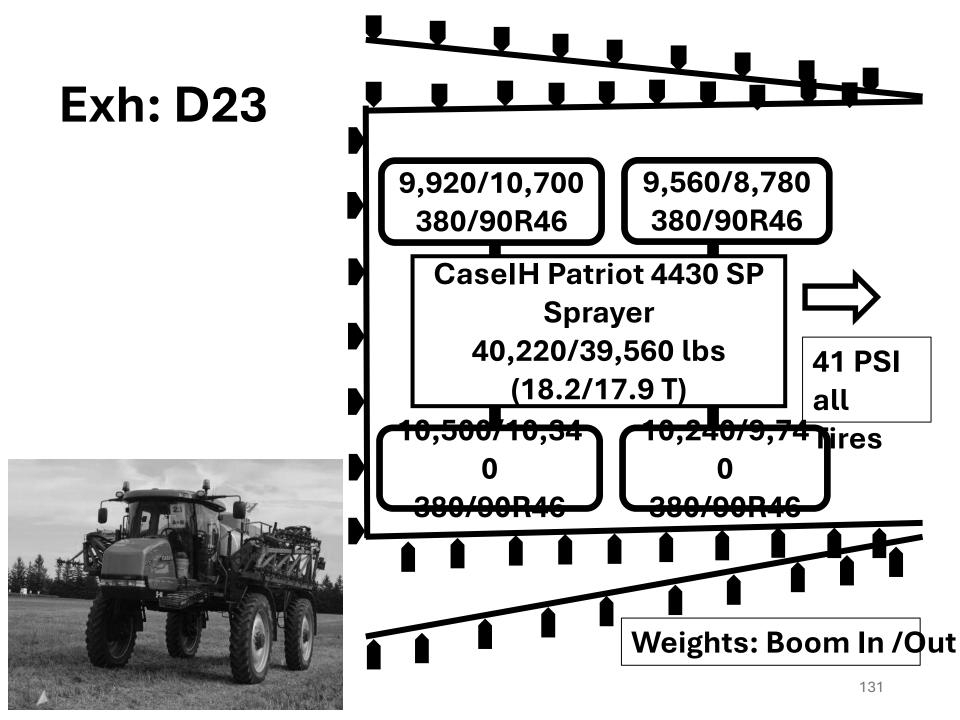


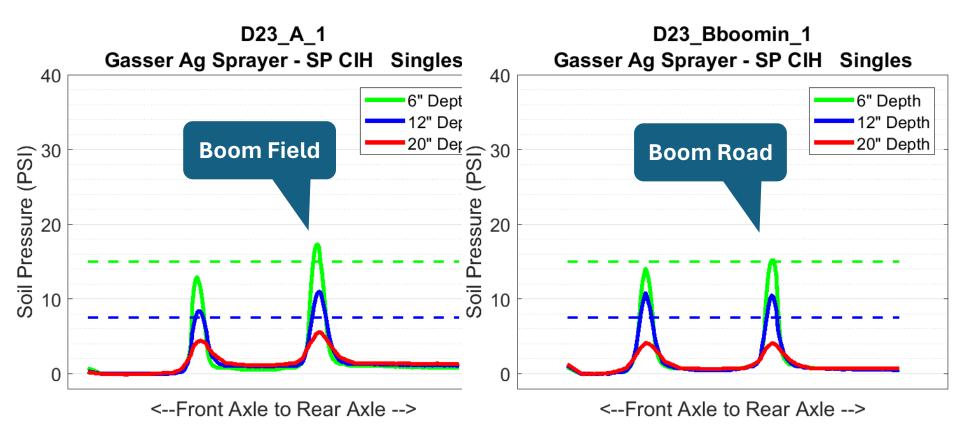
- This sprayer is heavier on the left side which was equipped with the narrower tire (380 vs 710).
- Road vs Field boom setting moves weight from back to front on this sprayer.
- In field, the wider tire was better than the narrower regardless because the required PSI is lower.
- Lower pressure was better for each tire size at the 6 and 12" depths
- At the 20" depth, the total weight of the unit meant similar stress was detected regardless of tire or pressure.
- Graph1 Road boom position and higher PSI showed not difference between Vf380s & 710s.
- Graph 2 Field boom position and lower rated PSI resulted in less stress with 710 larger tires.
- Graph3 a second repeat of graphs from Graph2 showing slight differences due to testing in different pit and day.
- Graph4 boom in field position with low Psi showing more change in 6" stress with 710s, but at 12" and 20" the stress is nearly same as high PSI because it's the total implement weight that is the main factor.



## Exhibit: D23 CaseIH Patriot 4430 Self Propelled Sprayer w 380s





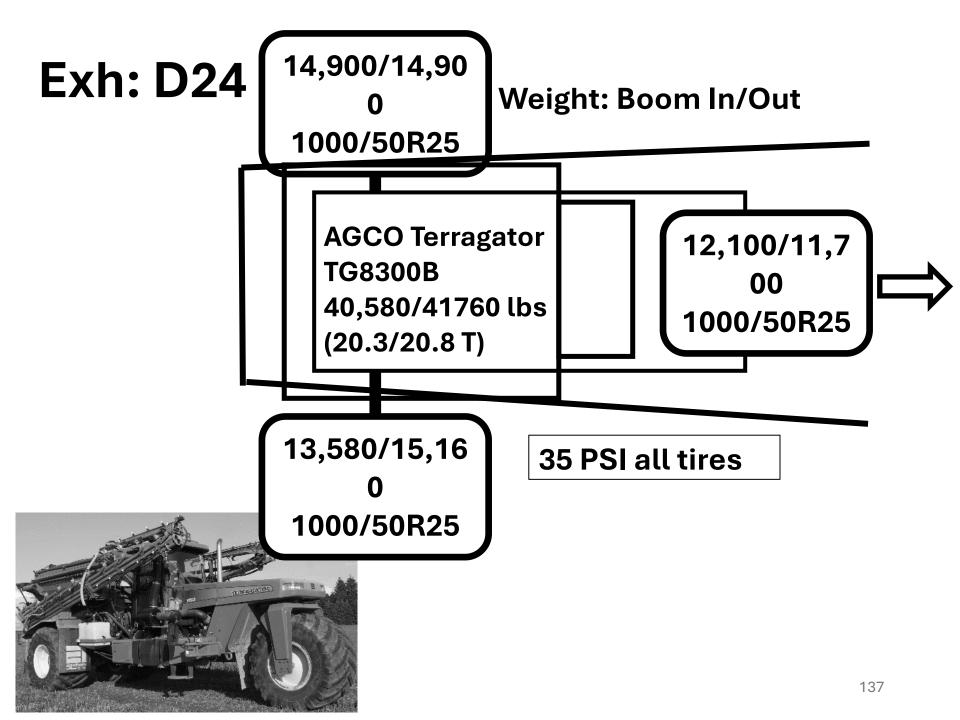


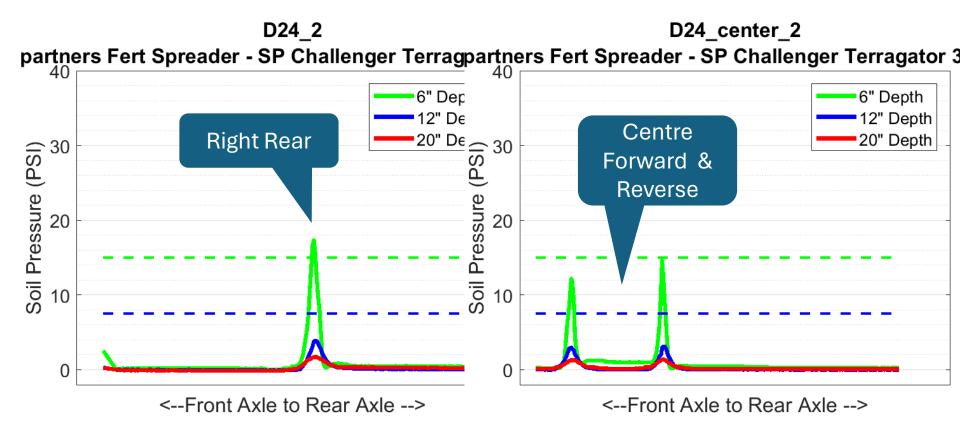
- These plots again show high pressure in the topsoil from high pressure tires
- Notice the weight distribution when the boom is folded in
- These 380s exceeded stress level at 12" and barley at 6"despite the high PSI
- At 20" the overall weight causing stress a function of equipment weight



## Exhibit: D24 AGCO Terragator TG8300B Trike Dry Fertilizer Spreader w 1000s





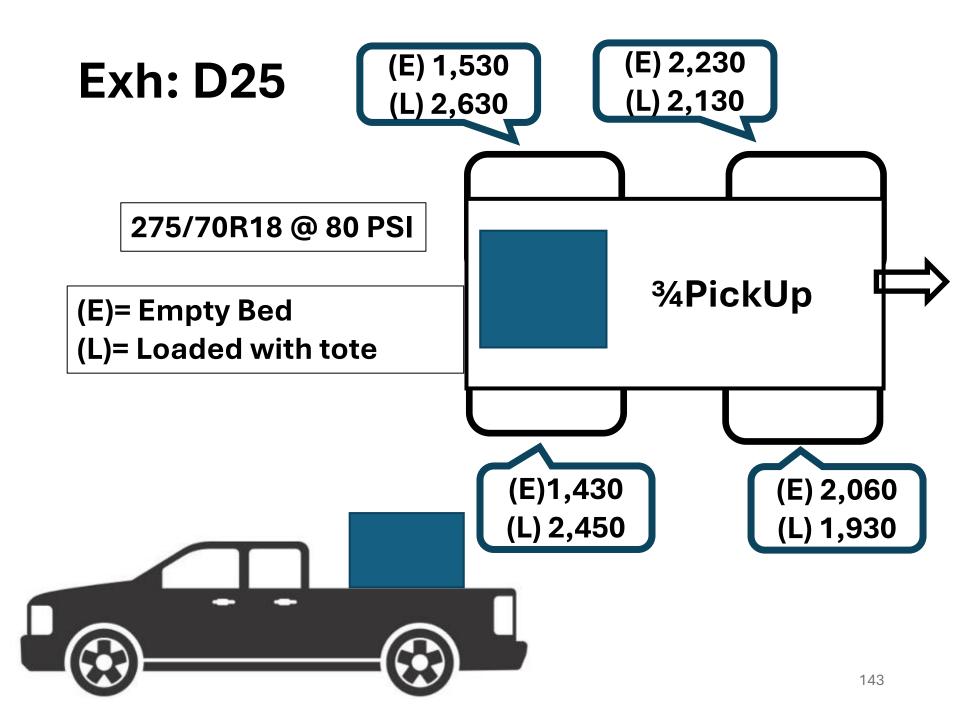


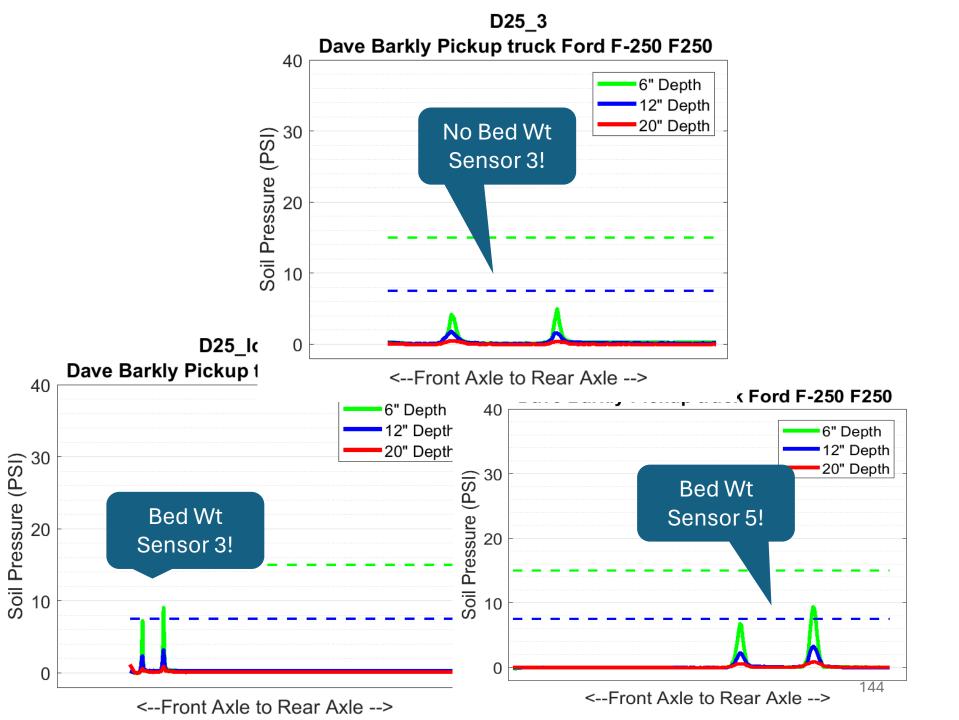
- The first plot is the right side rear tire.
- The second plot is the front tire as it drove over and the reversed over the sensor to avoid the measurement equipment.
- Relatively high PSI by weight causing slight spike in 6" stress
- Weight relative to tire size a good configuration for this soil since 12" and 20" sensors not receiving much pressure.



## Exhibit: D25 Ford F-250 w/wo Loaded and 275/70R18 High PSI Tires







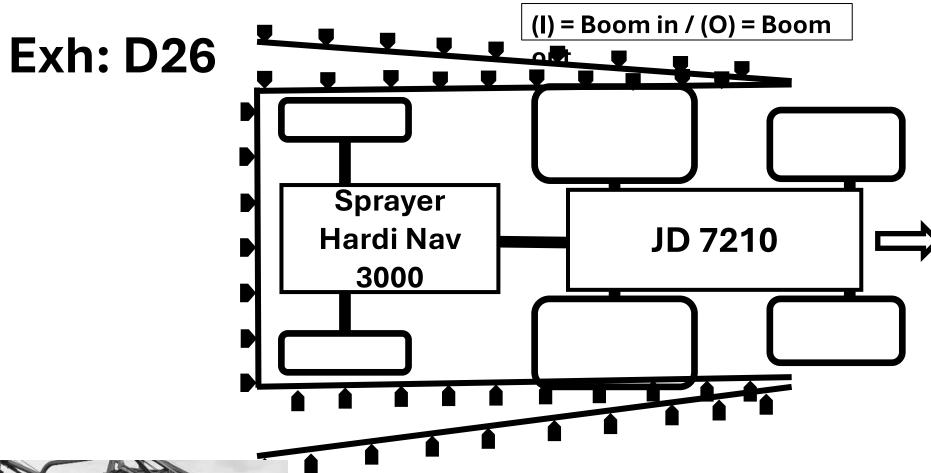
- The left two plots show the increase in pressure when weight is added to the vehicle.
- The right plot is again with weight in the vehicle at a difference sensor installation.



## Exhibit: D26 Hardi 3000 Navigator Pull Type Sprayer with 320 vs VF380 Tires

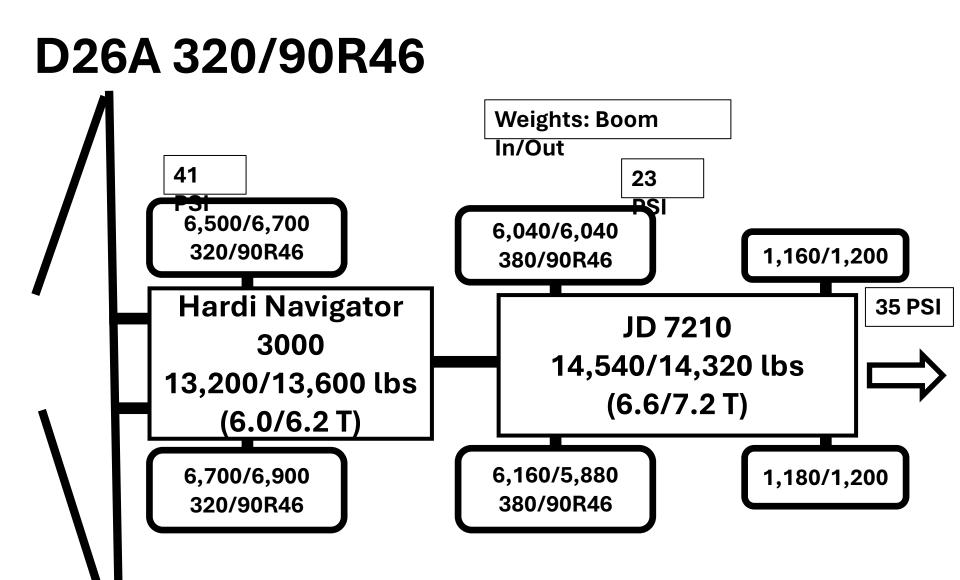
Tire Set 1: 320/90R46 – 41 PSI Tire Set 2: VF380/90R46 – 32 PSI



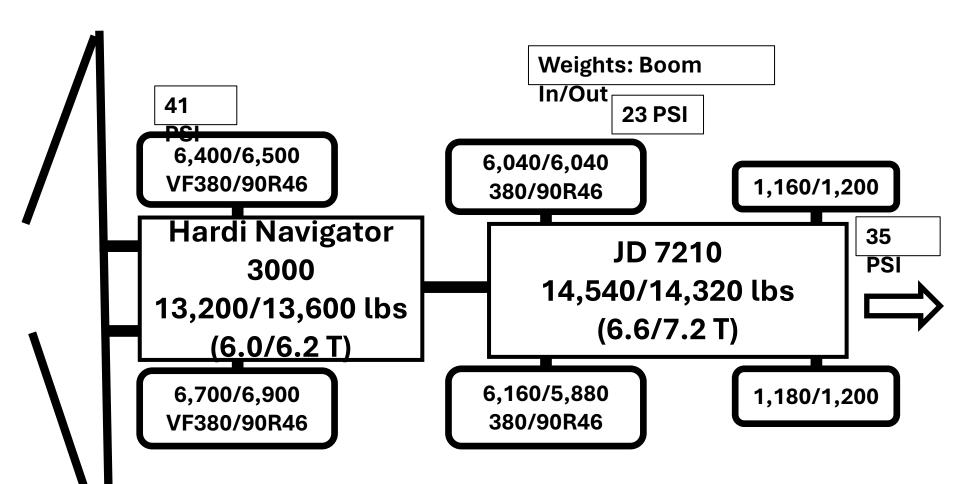


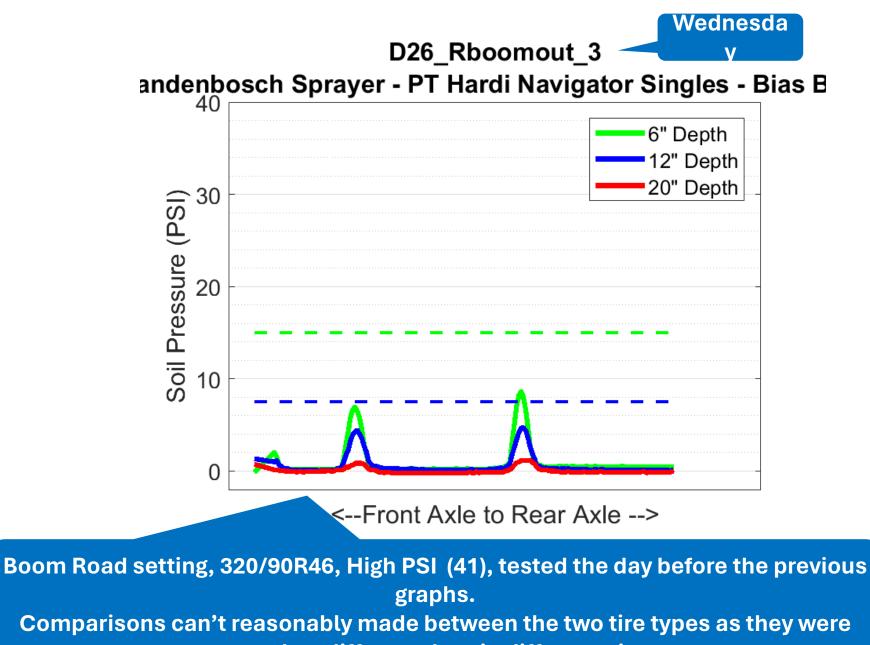


Tire Set 1: 320/90R46 – 32 PSI – Left 6,500(i), 6,700 (o) / Right 6,700(I), 6,900(O) Tire Set 2: VF380/90R46 – 32 PSI – Left 6,400(i), 6,700 (o) / Right 65,00(I), 6,900(O)

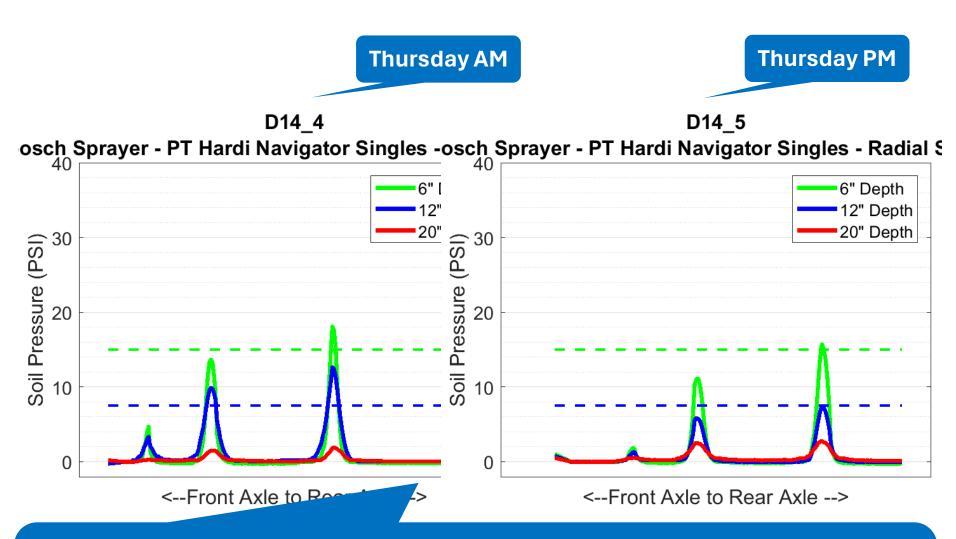


#### D26B VF380/90R46





tested on different days in different pits.



Boom Road setting, VF 380/90R46, High PSI (41)

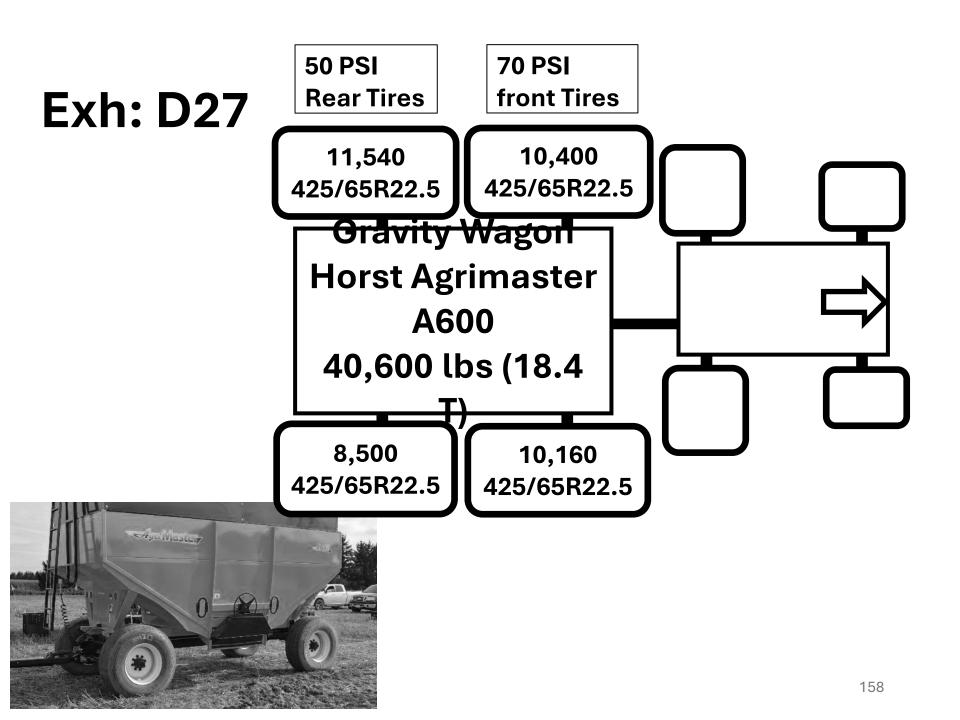
Two runs of the same tires on two different sensor pits, pointing out the issue with soil differences even close together that can skew the results, although the interpretation remains the same.

- This PT sprayer was tested with 320s first and then VF 380s resulting in two weigh forms
- The two sets of tires were tested on different days and sensor pits so the results can not be compared between the two tire types
- Due to sensing on different days we can not comment on the performance of the 320 radial vs VF 380 tire.
- There was a substantial rainfall between sensor pits #3 and #4,5 the following day which would have impacted responses.

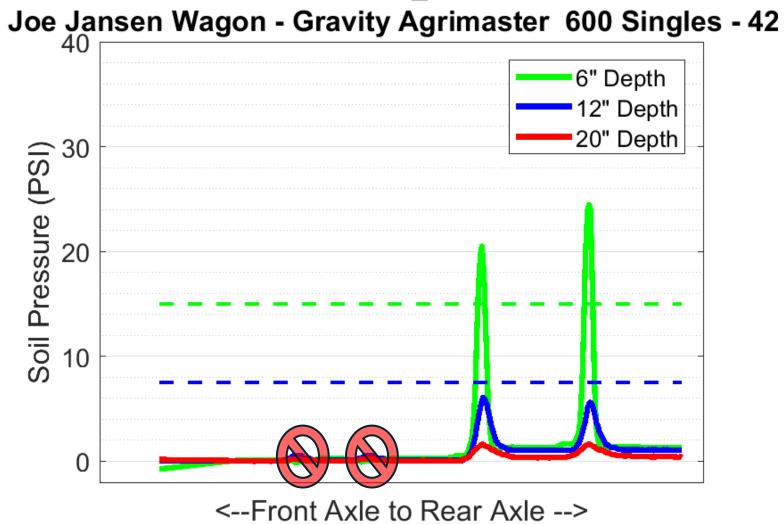


## Exhibit D27 Agrimaster A600 Gravity Wagon with 425 Radials





#### D27\_2

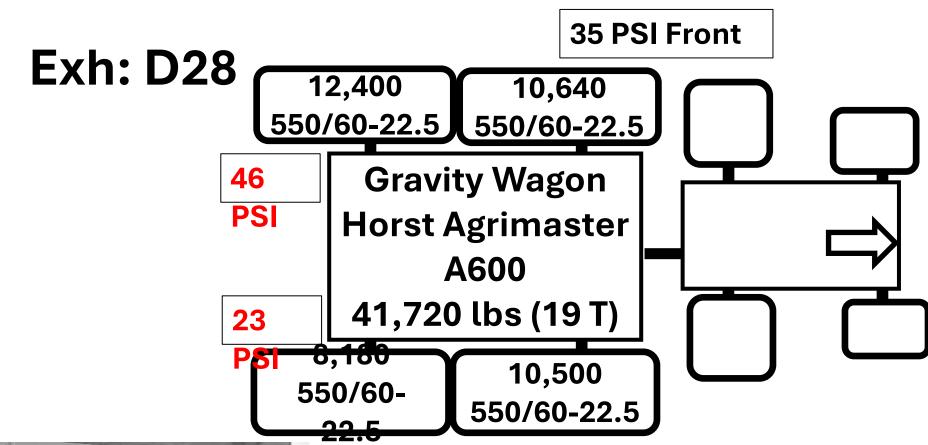


- Very high topsoil stress under grain wagon tires
- This was true for all tire types.
- Notice the strange weight distribution of the wagon.
- This wagon had radial tires 425/65R22.5 but high inflation psi
- Compare to identical wagon with bias tires (D28)
- Gravity wagons should not be pulled loaded through the field. Best to be loaded close to the entrance and moved directly onto the road.

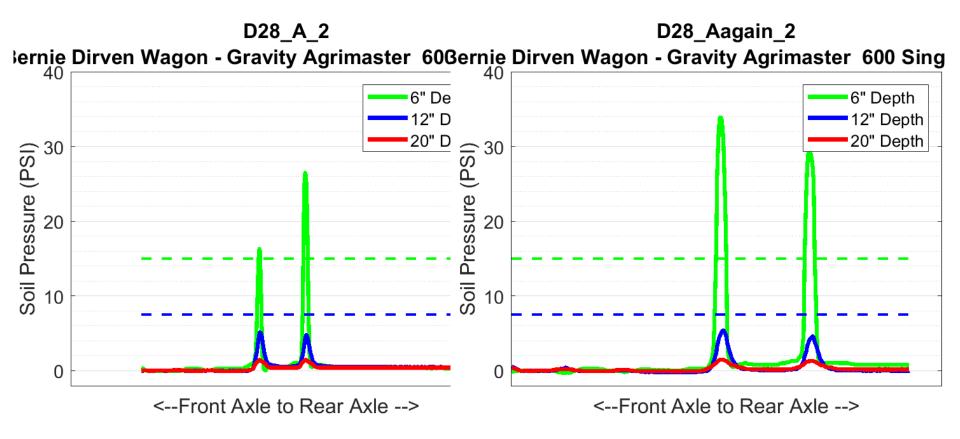


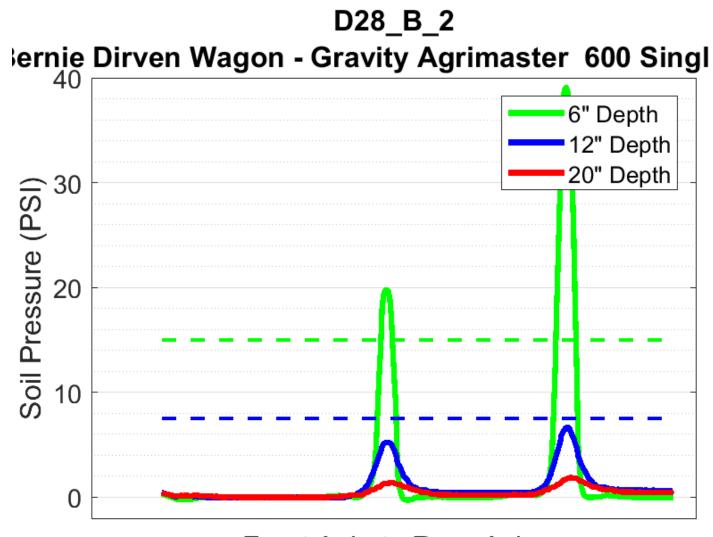
## Exhibit: D28 Agrimaster A600 Gravity Wagon with 550 Bias Tires



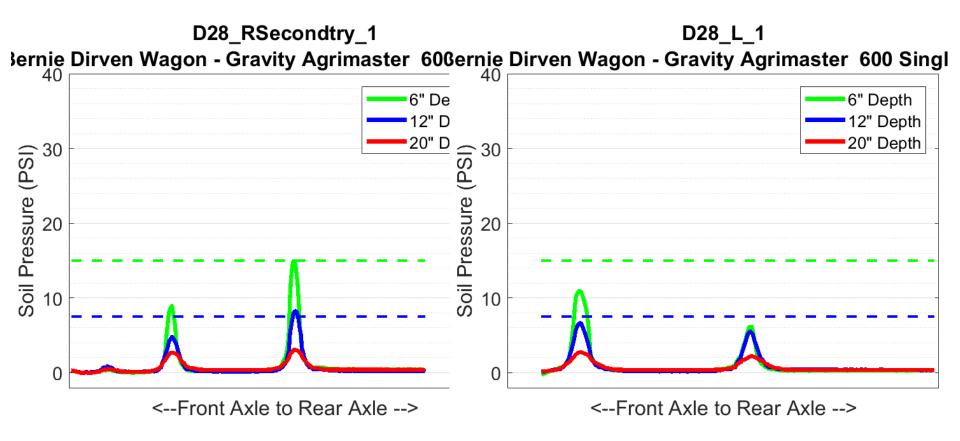








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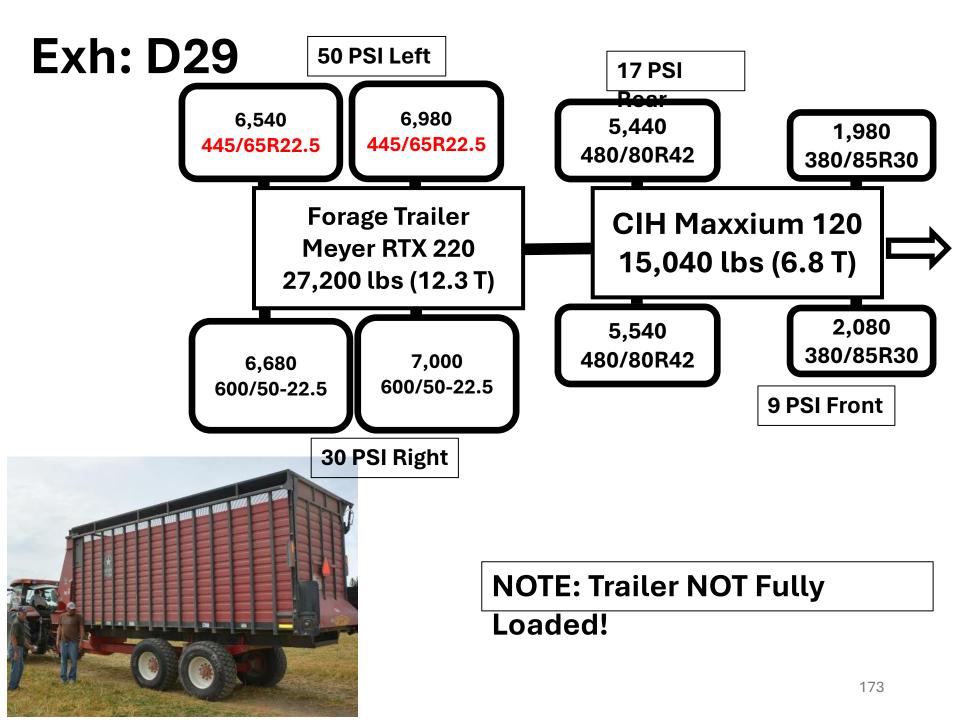
- This wagon had some issues tracking straight so that both front and rear tires went over the sensors correctly.
- These tires are stamped "Flotation" on the sidewall, but by the tire size/detail (550/60-22.5) these are BIAS ply tires as designated by the "-"! Don't be fooled by the marketing hype.
- The tire psi is not as excessive as would be expected with bias ply tires because of the large tire volume and axle weight combination, BUT;
- Significant compaction inducing stress was detected at the 6 and 12" depths, especially the 6",whereas the 20" depth sensor detected very little stress because the overall axel weight is not excessive.

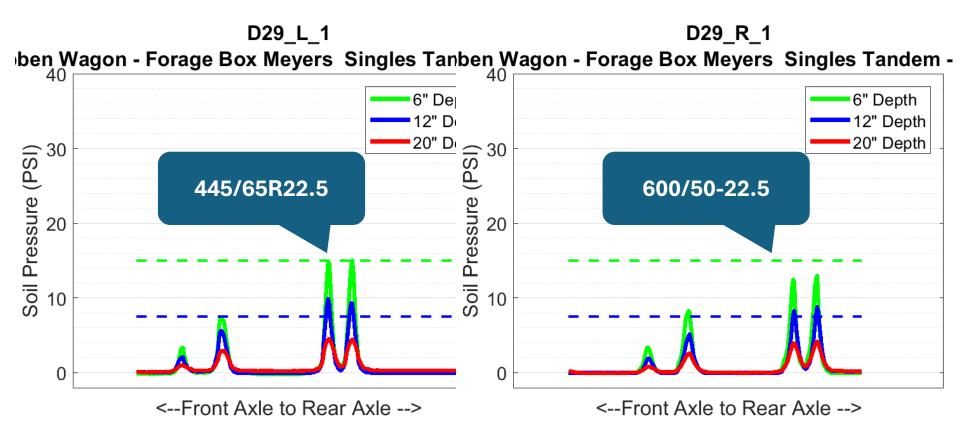




## Exhibit: D29 CIH Maxxium 120 w 480s & Forage Box w Tandem 445s vs 600s





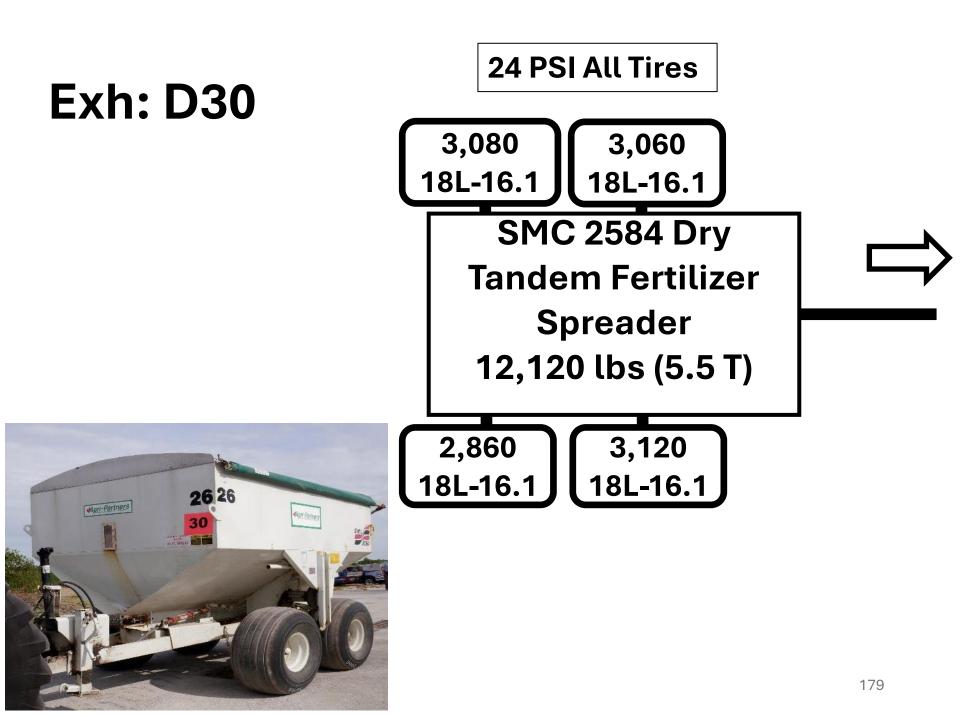


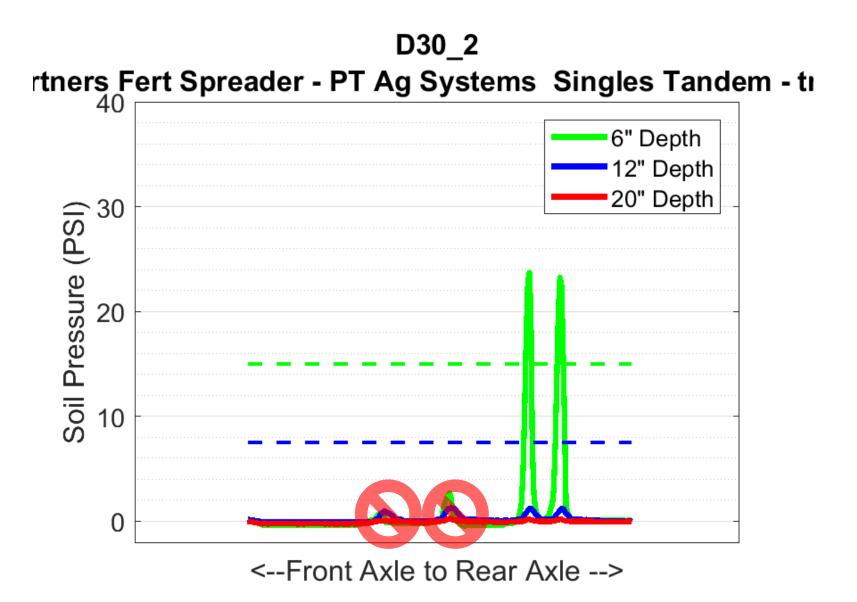
- These plots show two types of tires, narrower radial vs wider bias
- The plot D29\_R\_1 shows a slight reduction in stress with a slightly larger tire despite it being a bias, but its size for the less than full load meant a lower recommended PSI.
- Size does matter! But the combination of size, tire type (VF>IF>Radial>>>Bias), and PSI means there are some variations in the "rules". If the trailer had been full we would assume the Radial would have out performed the Bias tire.
- Stress at 20 inches was comparable.



## Exhibit: D30 SMC 2584 PT Tandem Dry Fertilizer Spinner Spreader w 18L Bias







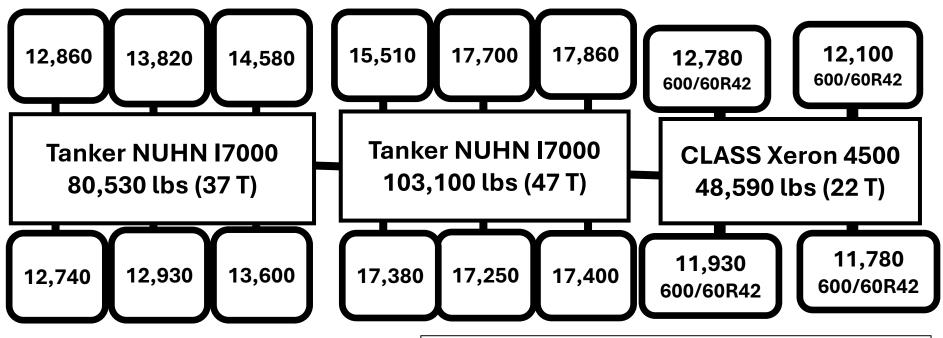
- This plot shows that even at a reasonable 26psi, a bias ply tire with a round profile can put high stress in the topsoil, especially near the surface.
- The spreader was not full and had it been full we likely would have seen more stress at both the 12" and 20" sensors.
- Avoid bias ply tires on any implement that carries weight in the field
- The tractor tires did not line up with the spreader tires so no sensing was recorded for it.



## Exhibit: D31 Nuhn Quad-Steer 17000 Liquid Manure Spreader w 35.5s + Class Xeron 4500 Tractor w Single 600s



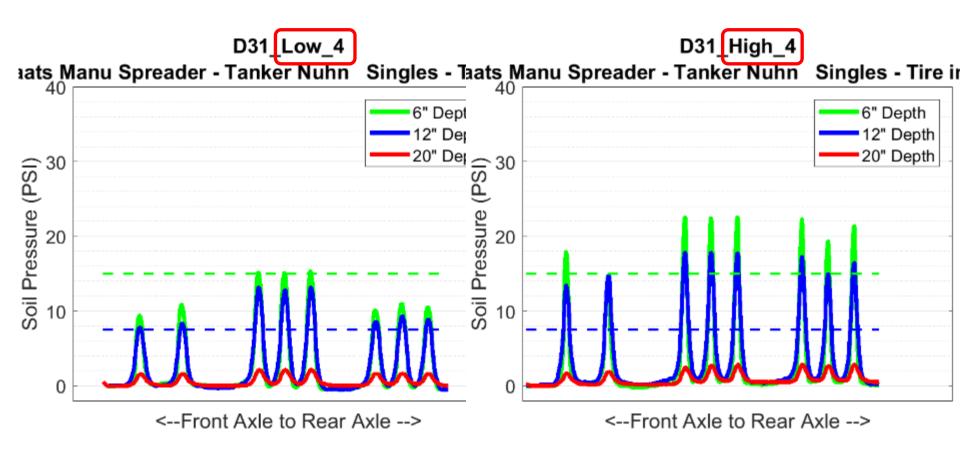
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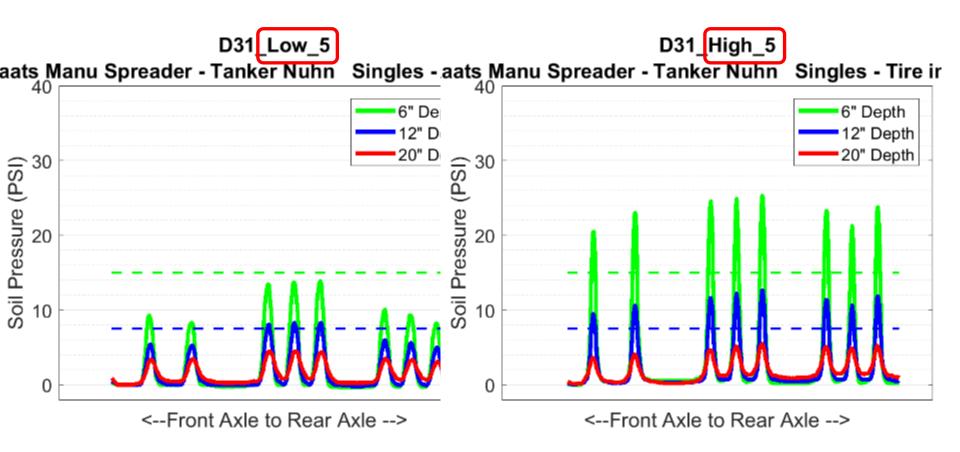


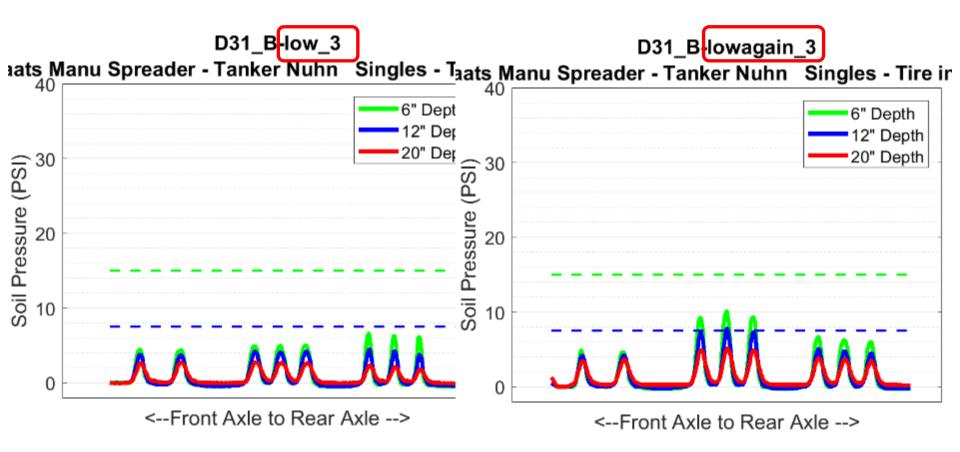
Spreader Tires: 35.5LR32 = 900/60R32

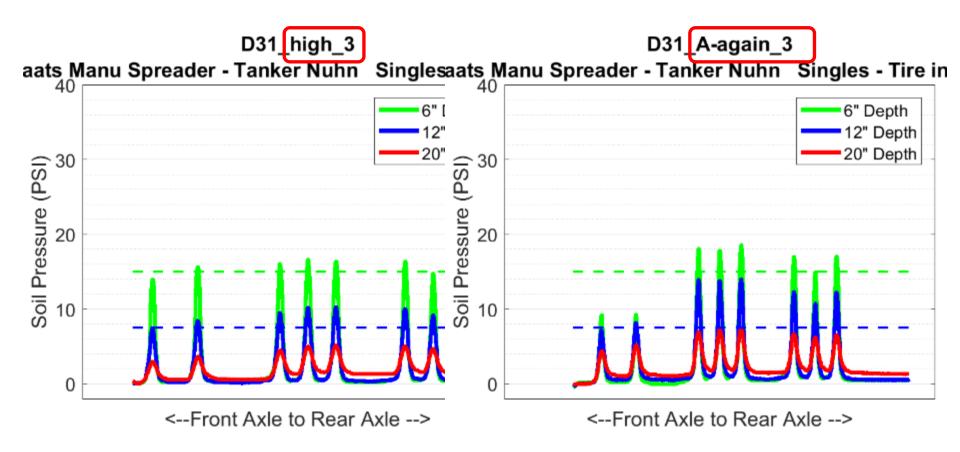
Equipped with CTIS











- Similar results to other CTIS systems
- Comparing the high pressure tires to the low pressure tires shows reduction of stress at 6 and 12 inches showing that the larger footprint at low PSI is distributing the weight more at those depths.
- Gr1 shows low vs high PSI on thurs am & Gr2 thurs pm which is after rain on the wed night.
- Gr 3 (Low) and 4 (High) show the testing issue with our method where even with big tires you can get different readings because the tires tracking slightly differently as they cross the sensors between passes.
- The heavy weight still creates high stress at 20 inches regardless of pressure
- This configuration really shows the benefits of CTIS even for the relatively low weight tractor, but big time for tankers.

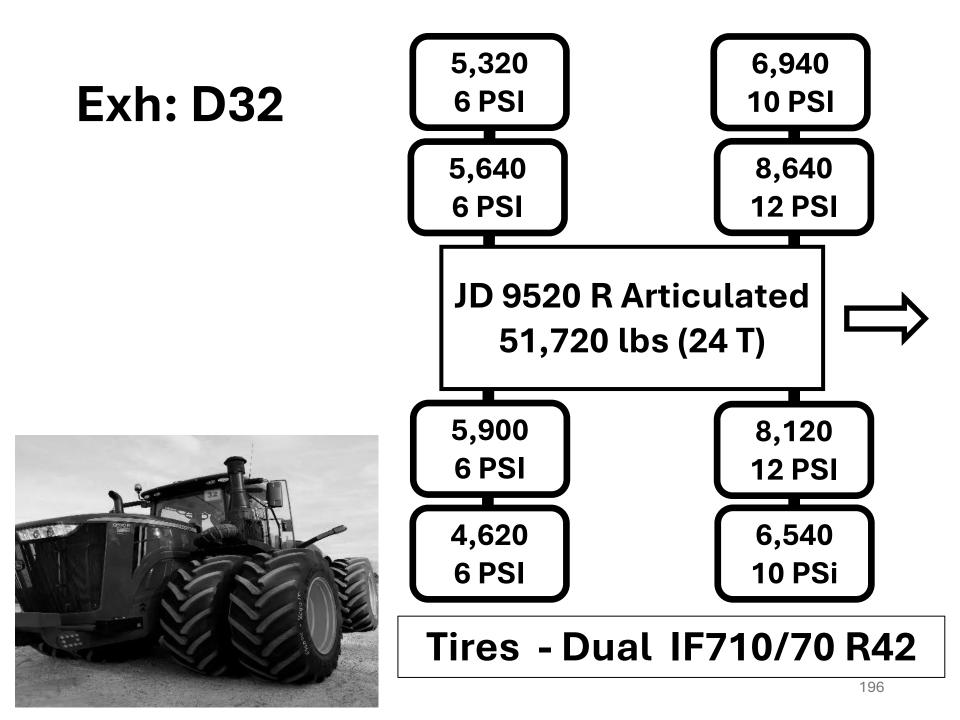


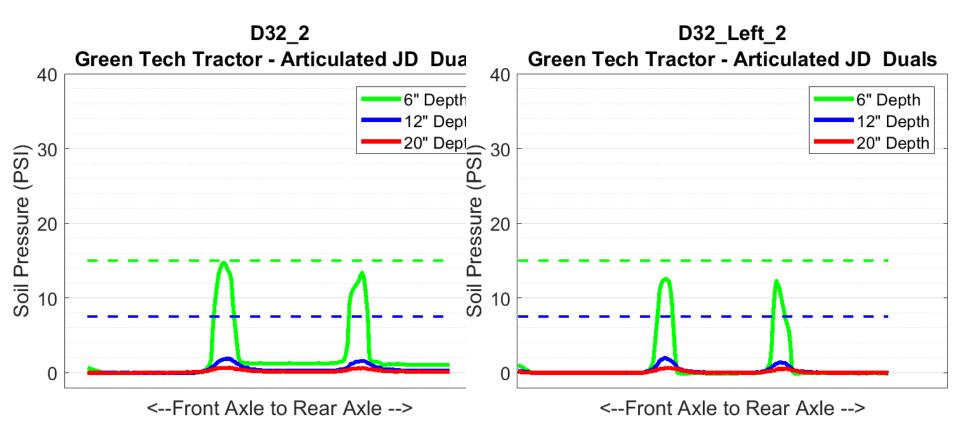




## Exhibit: D32 JD 9520R Articulated Tractor w Dualled IF 710s







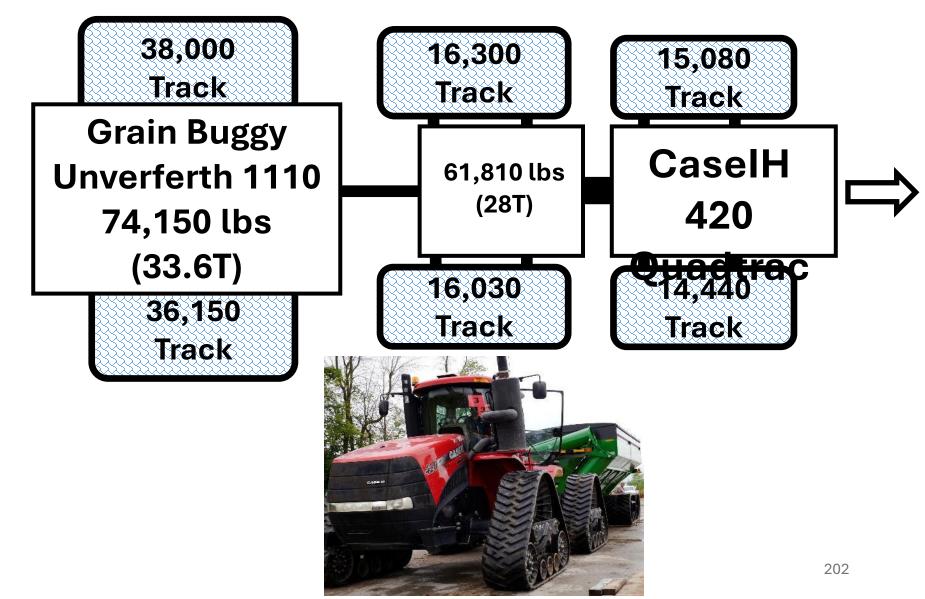
- This configuration with IF 710 Duals is providing lots of contact with the soil to spread the weight.
- The target should be 5000 lbs maximum tire weight at less than 15 psi
- This configuration is expensive so people have to weigh the pros and cons of striving for these parameters but it shows that even big equipment can be configured to reduce the threat of compaction.
- Note that all the response is detected at the 6" depth and although we would like less, stress deeper is more of a problem.
- This configuration results in low concern for compaction under these soil conditions at 12 and 20" depth.
- The testing of this exhibit was before the rainfall.

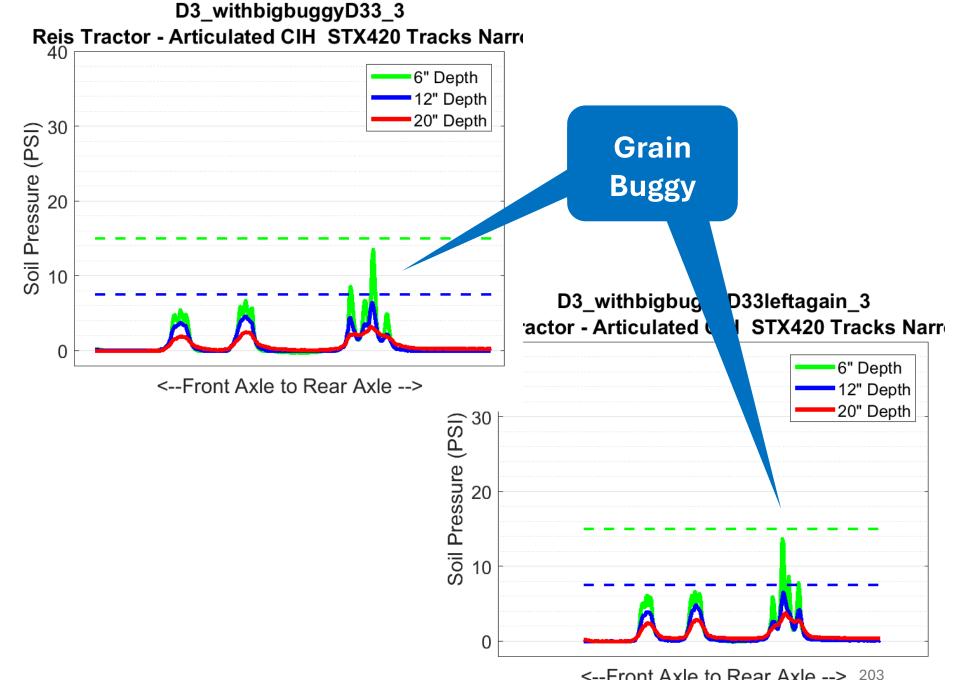


## Unit D33+D3 CaseIH STX420 Articulated Narrow Track Tractor + Unverferth 1110 Tracked Grain Buggy



#### Exh: D33 + D3





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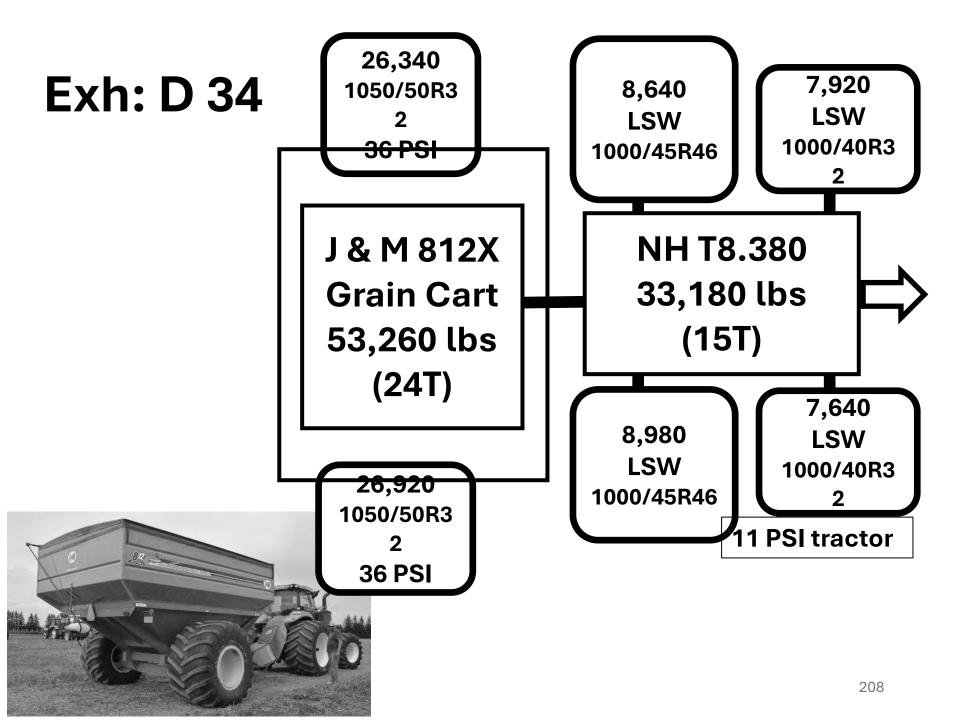
### Plot Comments – D33 + D3

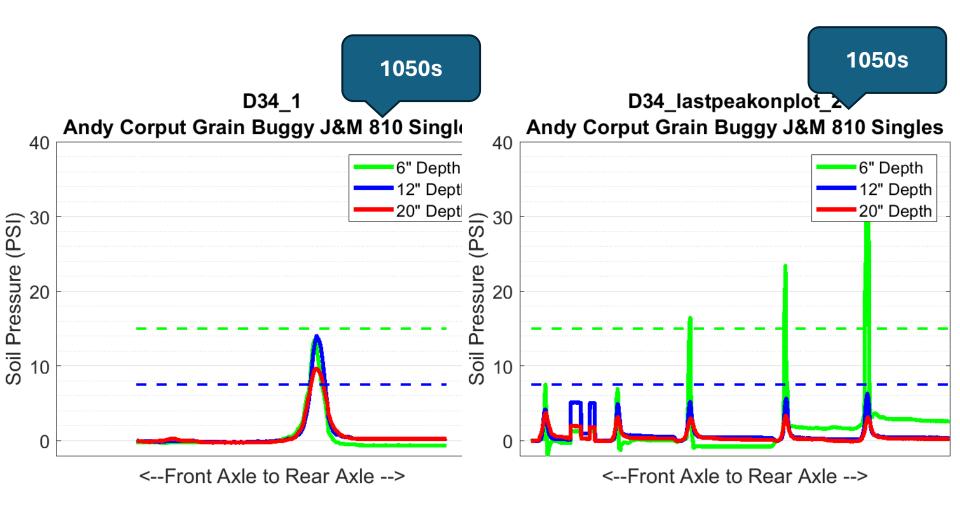
- This buggy is heavy, higher stress in the lower depths when compared to lighter equipment.
- Heavy weights that drive soil compaction deeper due to sheer gross weight require more expensive and exhaustive recovery, even with tracks we are seeing significant weight being transferred deeper into the soil
- The variation in the green curve on both plots may be due to lug spacing and roller contact.



## Exhibit: D34 + D4 J&M 812X Grain Cart w 1050 Singles + NH T8.380 LSW 1000 Singles Row Crop Tractor





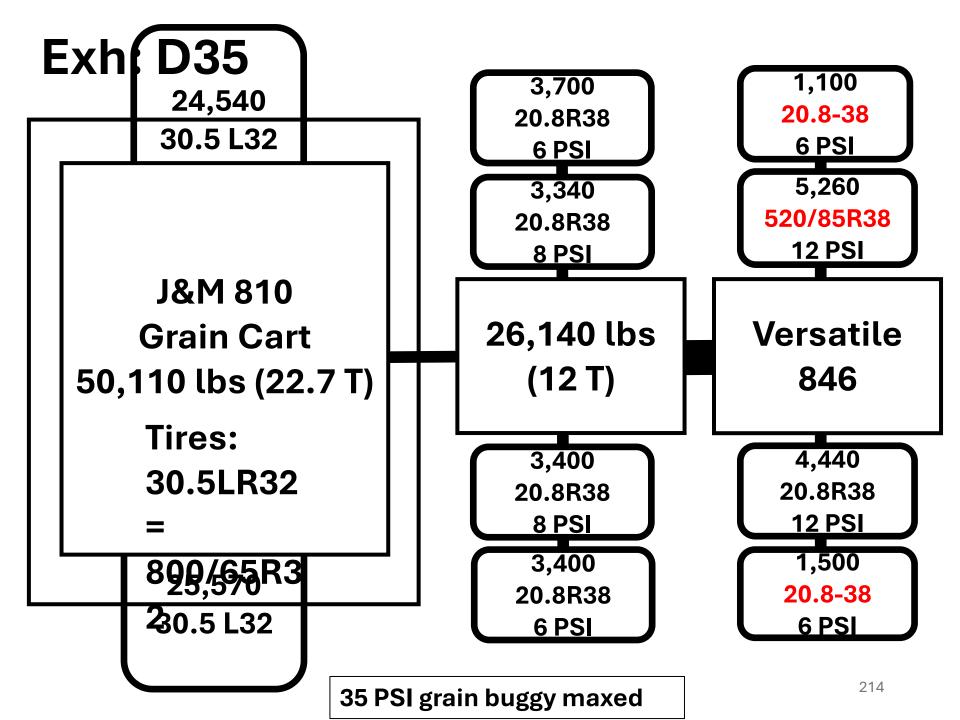


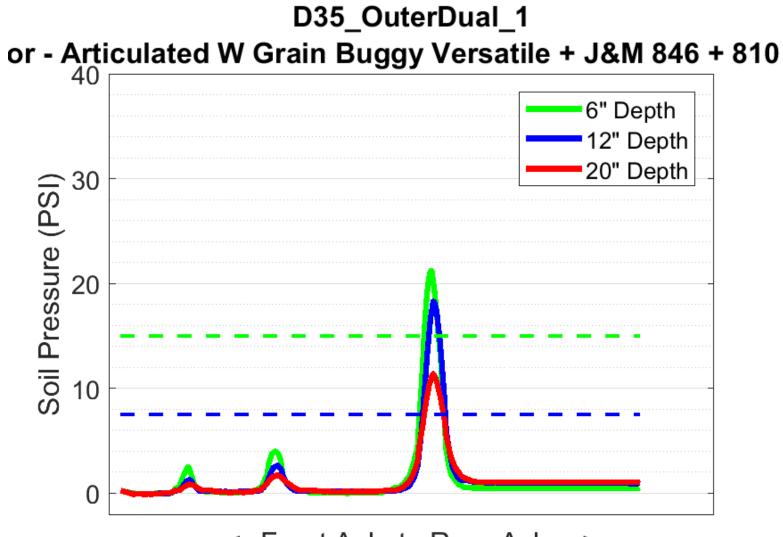
- Very heavy single axle buggy
- Generates high stress as depth
- Based on the axle weight this buggy should have more tire on it or not be filled when soil conditions are wet



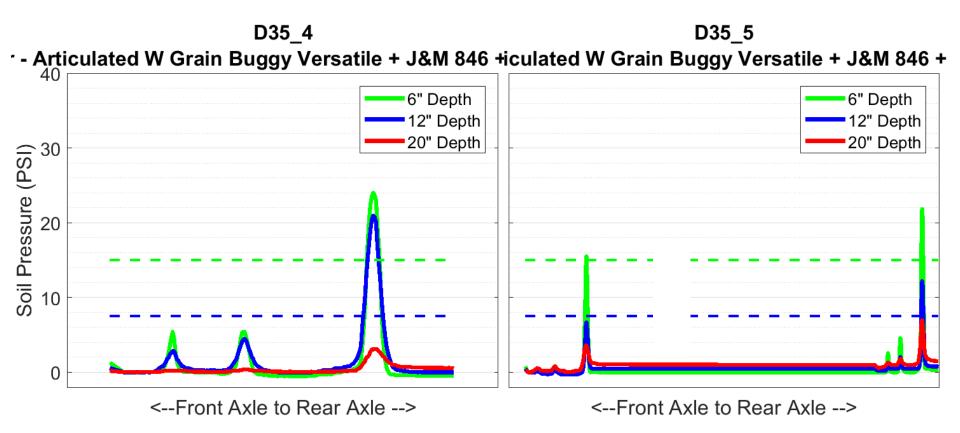
### Exhibit: D35 J&M 810 Grain Cart w 30.5L32 + Versatile 846 Dualled Articulated Tractor w 20.8R32







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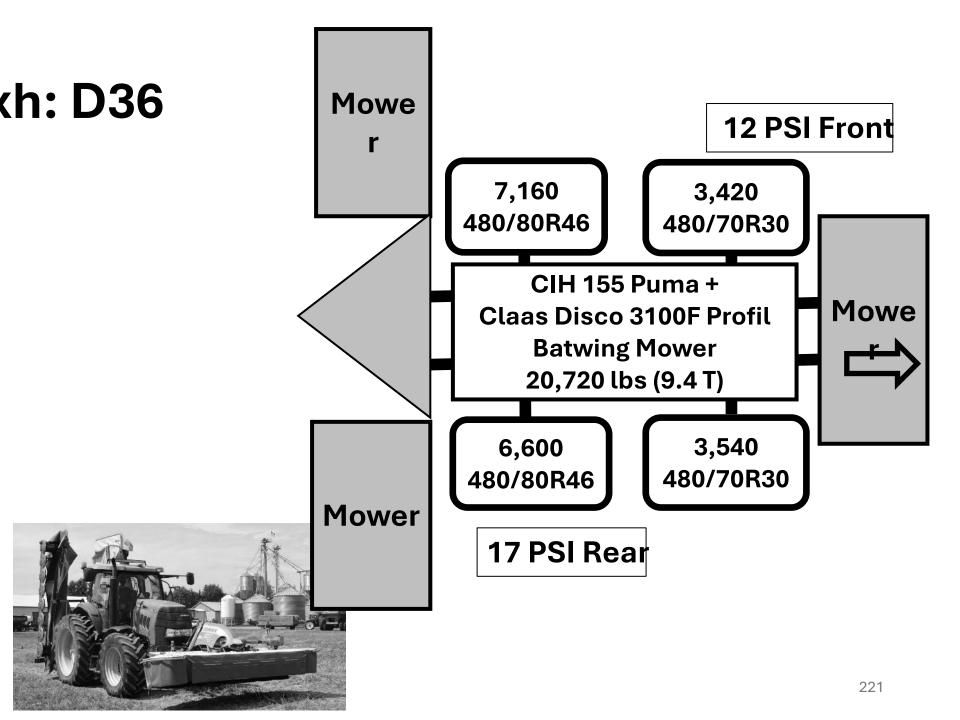


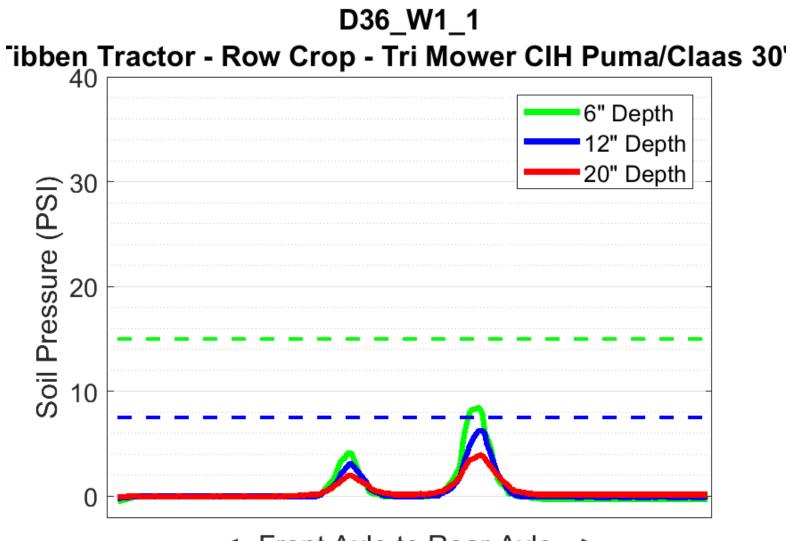
- High axle weight on the grain buggy creating a high stress in the entire soil profile.
- Note that the tractor is well configured in terms of compaction avoidance under these soil conditions.
- This is the stark example where single axle grain buggy's are too heavy. The solution is more axles, tracks, or don't fill the buggy on each trip across the field.
- This is indicated by the stress detected at all depths of the sensors.
- This is one of the pieces of equipment where compaction at depth is a concern because of total weight.



## Exhibit: D36 Claas Disco 3100F Profil Batwing Mower + CaselH 115 Puma Row Crop Tractor 480s







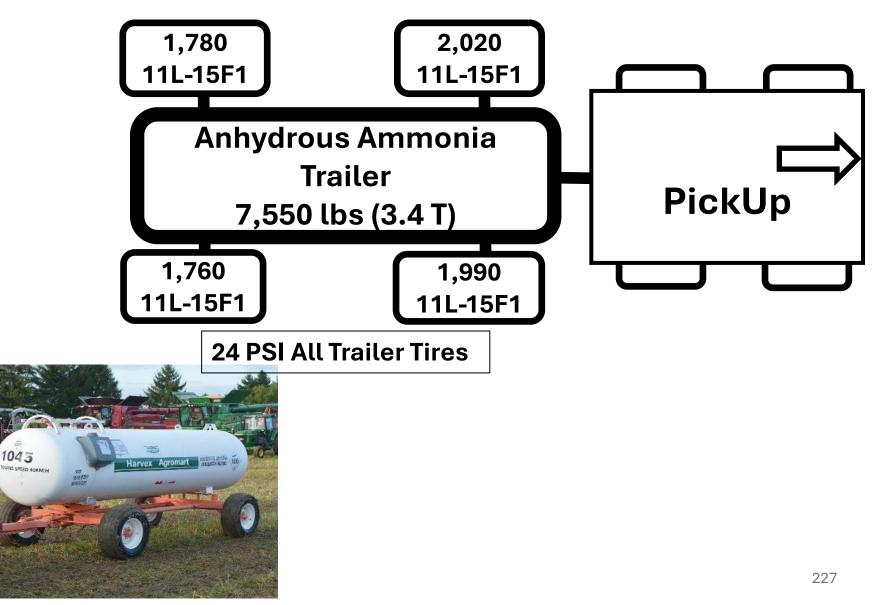
- This setup of radial tires is good for preventing compaction from this implement setup.
- PSI detected at all depths is below threshold.

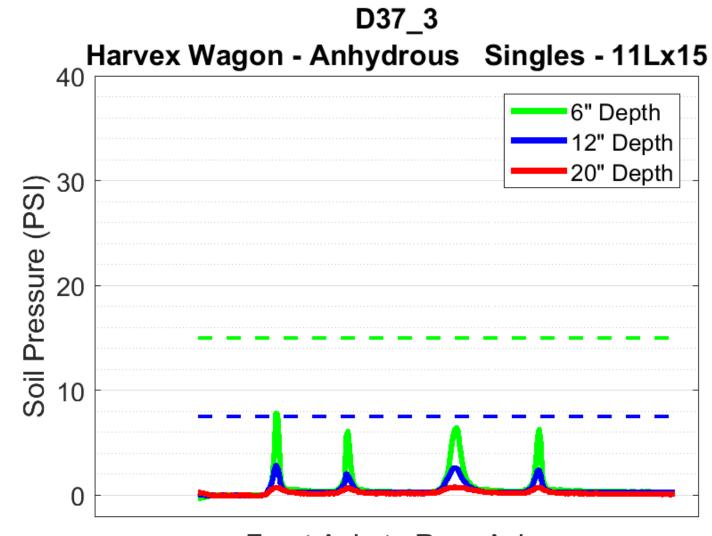


## Exhibit: D37 Anhydrous Ammonia Field Tank w 11L-15



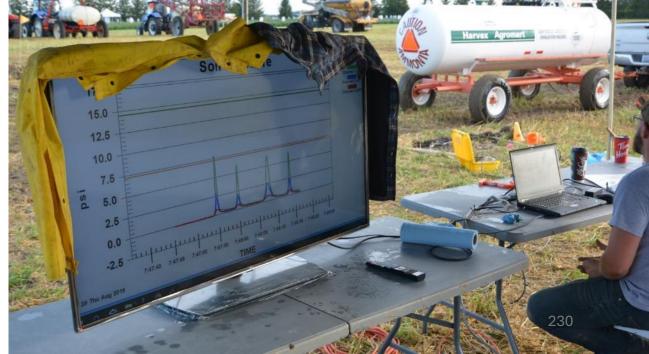
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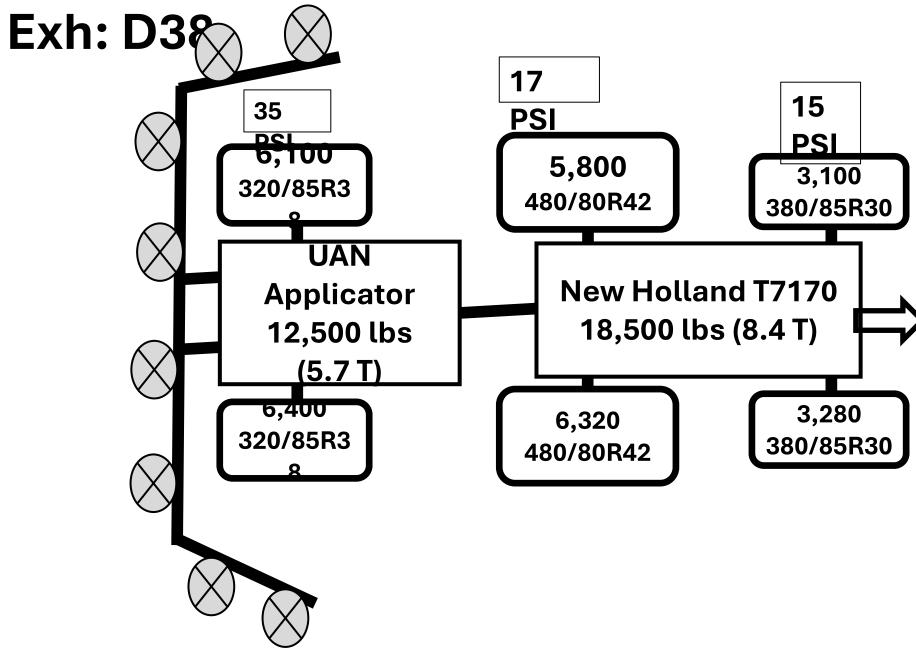
- From the soil perspective, the anhydrous tank and the pickup truck are very similar.
- Stress at all depths for both the truck and tank are below threshold.
- Be cautious of pickup trucks in wet soil when loaded with significant weight in the truck bed.



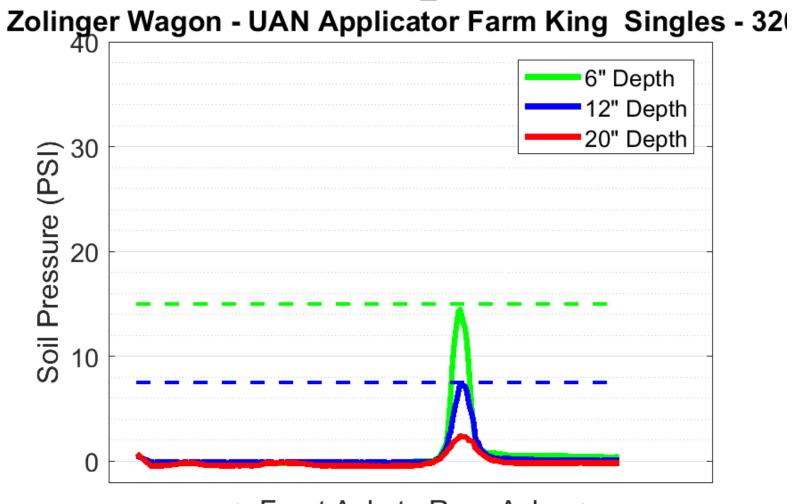


## Exhibit: D38 Farmking UAN Applicator w 320s + New Holland T7.170 Row Crop Tractor w 480s





#### D38\_1



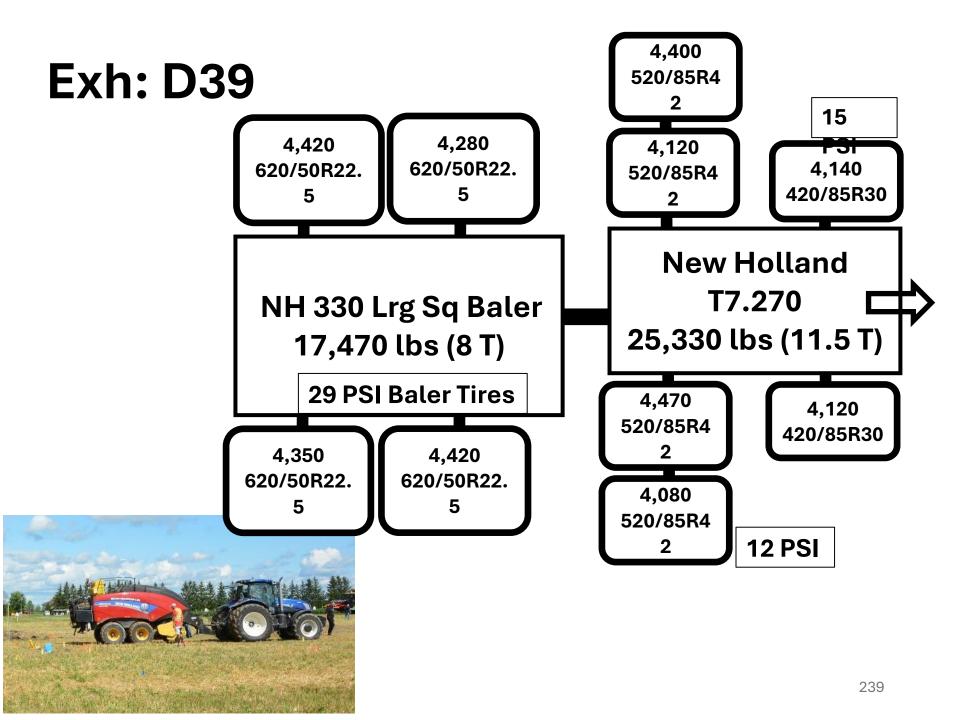
- Moderate axle weight and high tire pressure with narrow tires are to be avoided if trying to reduce the load on the soil.
- Given the soil conditions at the time, this configuration was not as problematic as we might have anticipated although look at the blue line at 12" touching the theoretical threshold line.

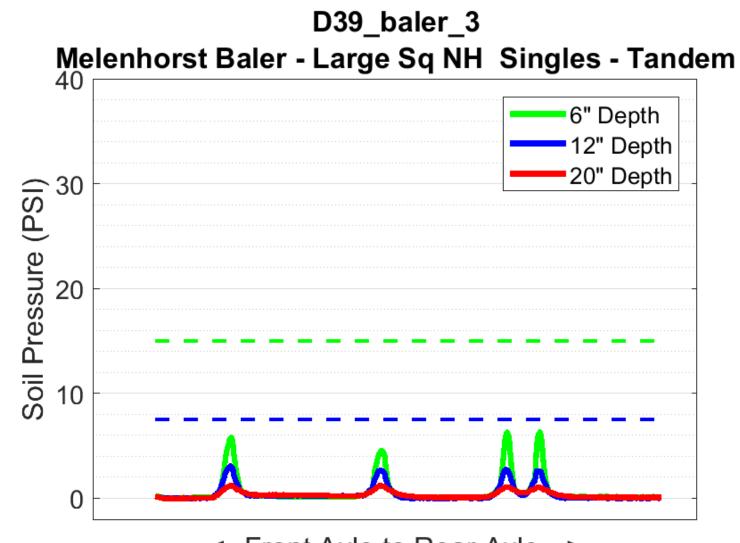


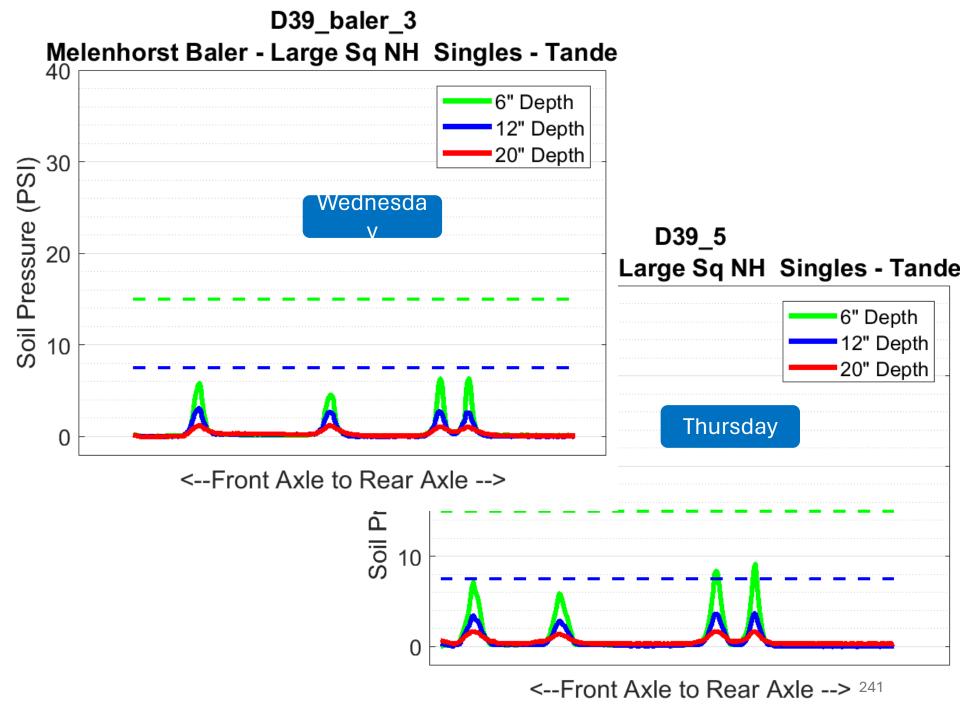


## Exhibit: D39 New Holland 330 Lrg Sq Baler w 620s + New Holland T7.270 Row Crop Tractor w Dual 520s







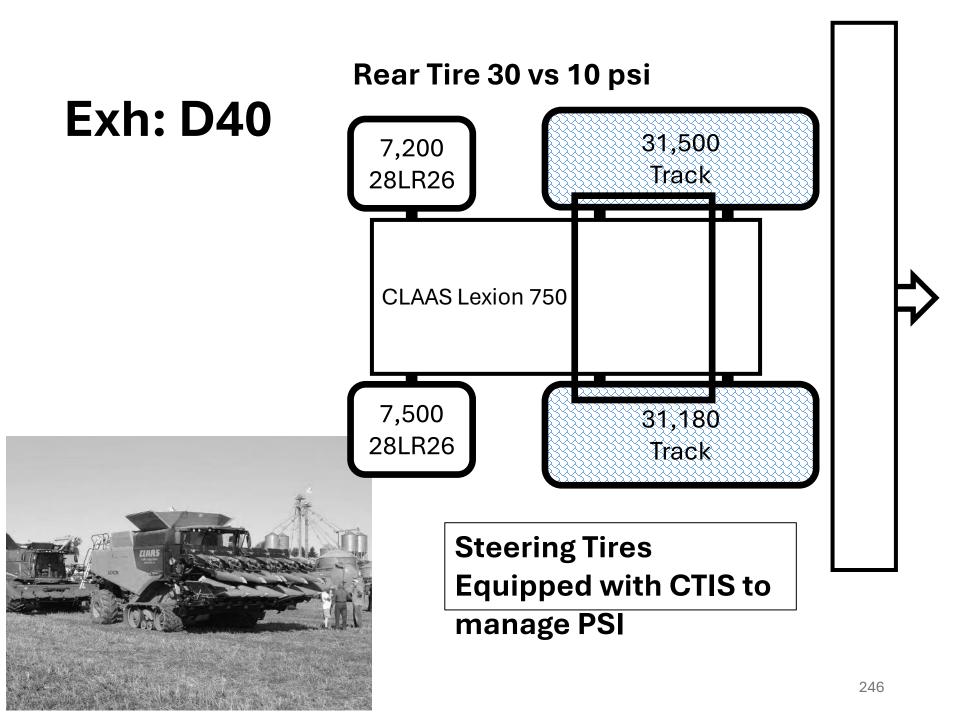


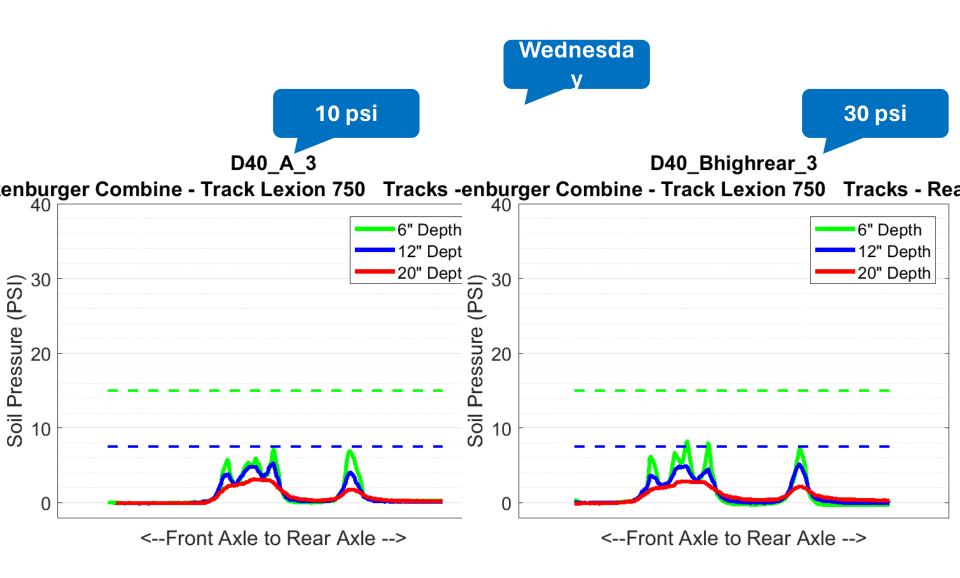
- This is a good example of the baler being a lighter machine than the tractor, but having a higher stress in the topsoil due to the tire configuration.
- This shows the impact of tire pressure when you look at the tire size relative to the psi for the baler vs tractor tires.
- Although its still a satisfactory configuration, caution in putting a baler like this in the hay field shortly after a significant rain could be problematic.

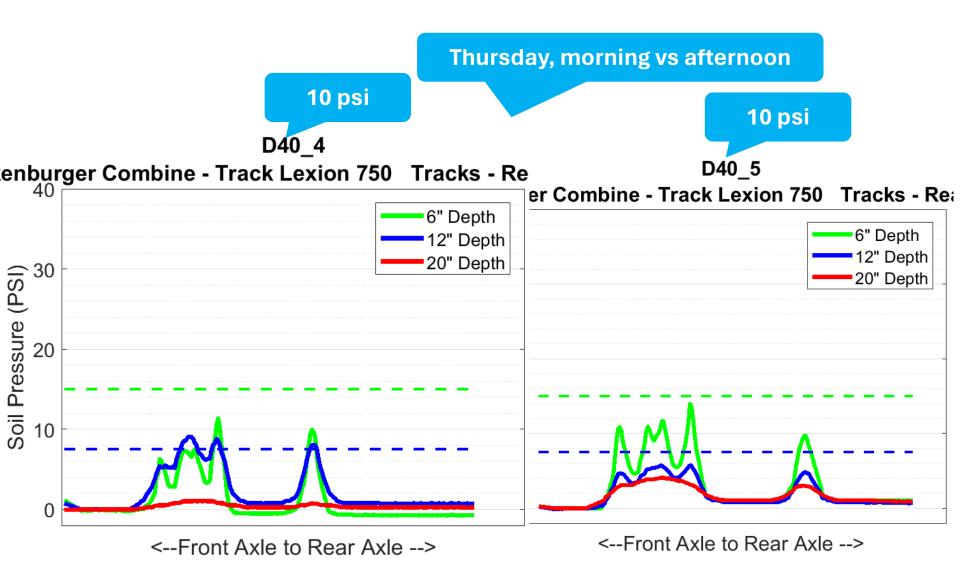


## Exhibit: D40 Class 750T Tracked Combine with CTIS on Rear 28LR26 Tires







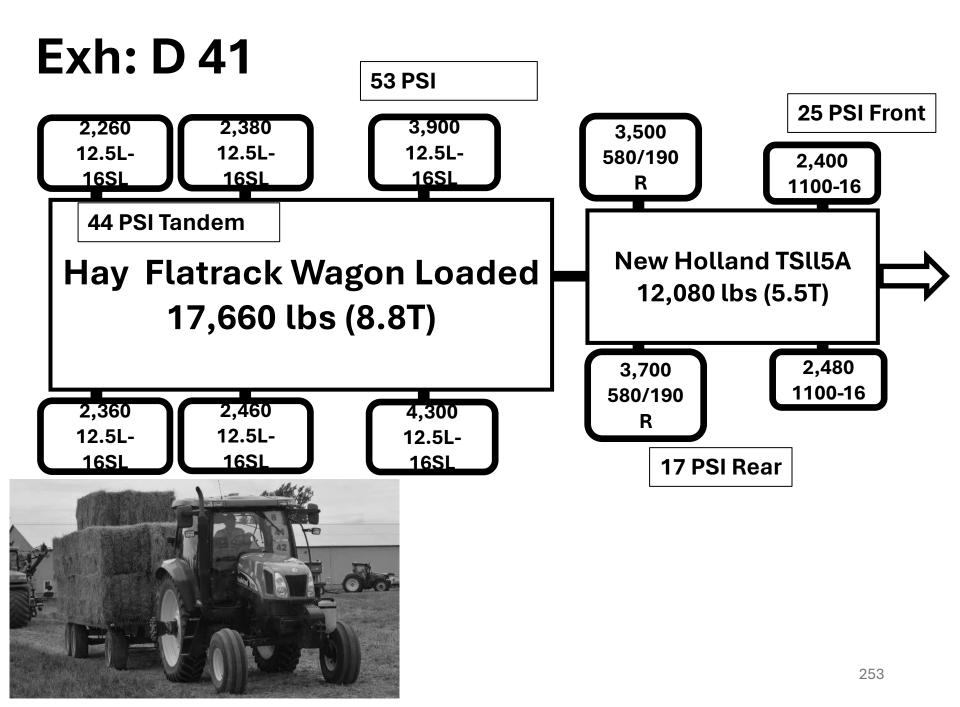


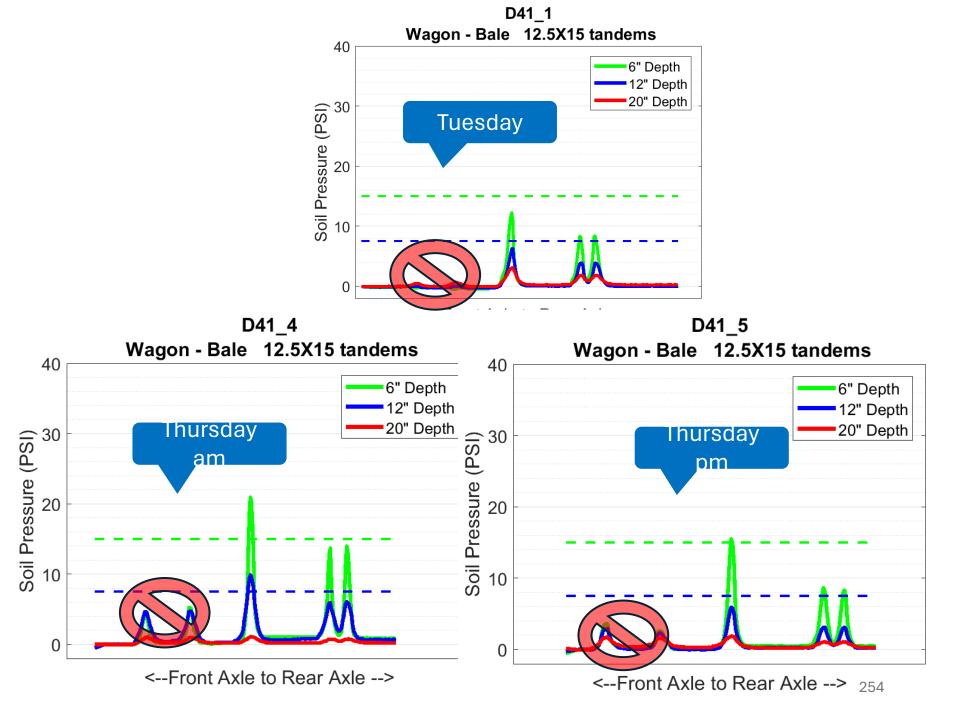
- This is a good configuration, comparable to dual and large signals.
- This is a very heavy corn head and when using other lighter heads, more weight may be put on the steering tires, which in previous events have shown to be more of a problem than the front wheels or tracks.
- Note that every track boggy wheel shows in the sensors.
- Even with a good configuration, the overall weight of a full combine is putting lots of weight down deep in the soil compared to other configurations tested, ie see the red (lower) line movement compared to many others where we don't see that line move much.



## Exhibit: D41+D8 Hay Wagon Tandem Rear w 12.5Ls + NH TS115A Singled Row Crop Tractor







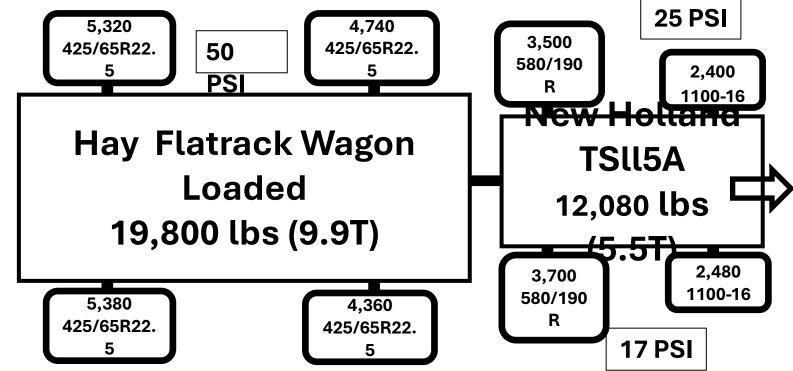
- Hay wagons, similar to the gravity wagons. High pressure bias ply tires creating high soil stress.
- Note the difference in the front vs back of the wagon between single vs tandem setup, tandems reduce the load on the soil.
- These tires as bias are quite round making it harder to centre the weigh on the sensor, we might have expected more load response here and rounded tires put more pressure into the soil as the contact area is reduced.
- Compared to D42 with larger radial tires, but single front and rear axles we would have expected high load at the sensors.
- The tractor in this instance was not measured based on tire position relative to the target wagon tires.



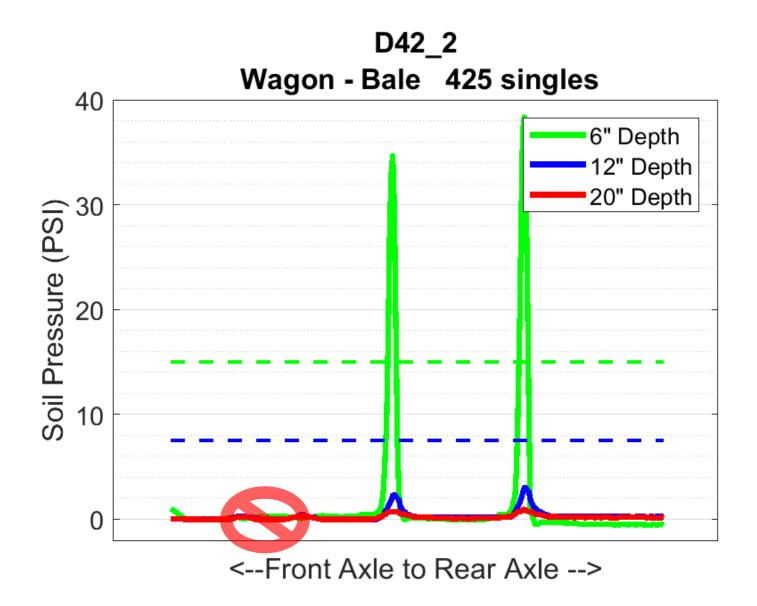
## Exhibit: D42+D8 Flat Rack Hay Wagon w 425s Singles



#### Exh: D42







- A large and radial tire compared to D41. High tire pressure causing high top soil stress but low load in the subsoil.
- Although good to keep deeper soil with less stress, the stress at the 6" depth might cause severe enough rutting to force removal of the forage stand early which can be costly.

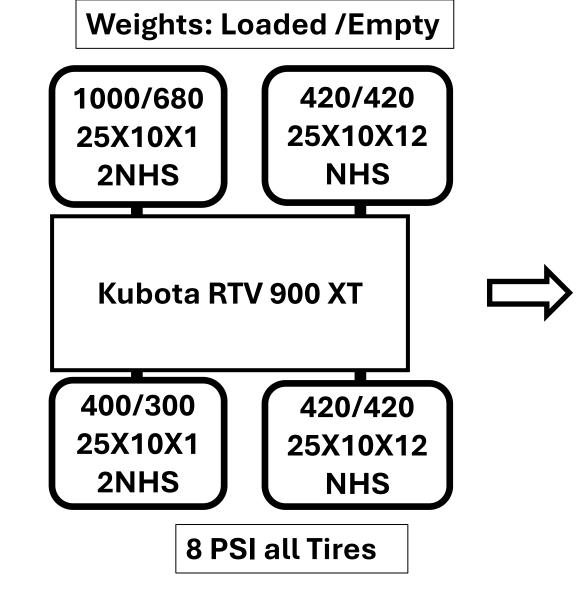




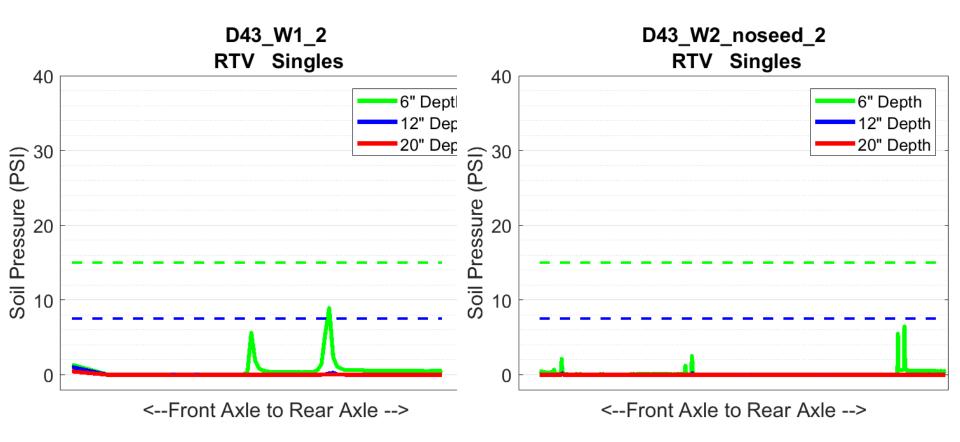
## Exhibit: D43 Kubota RTV 900XT Side by Side



#### Exh: D43





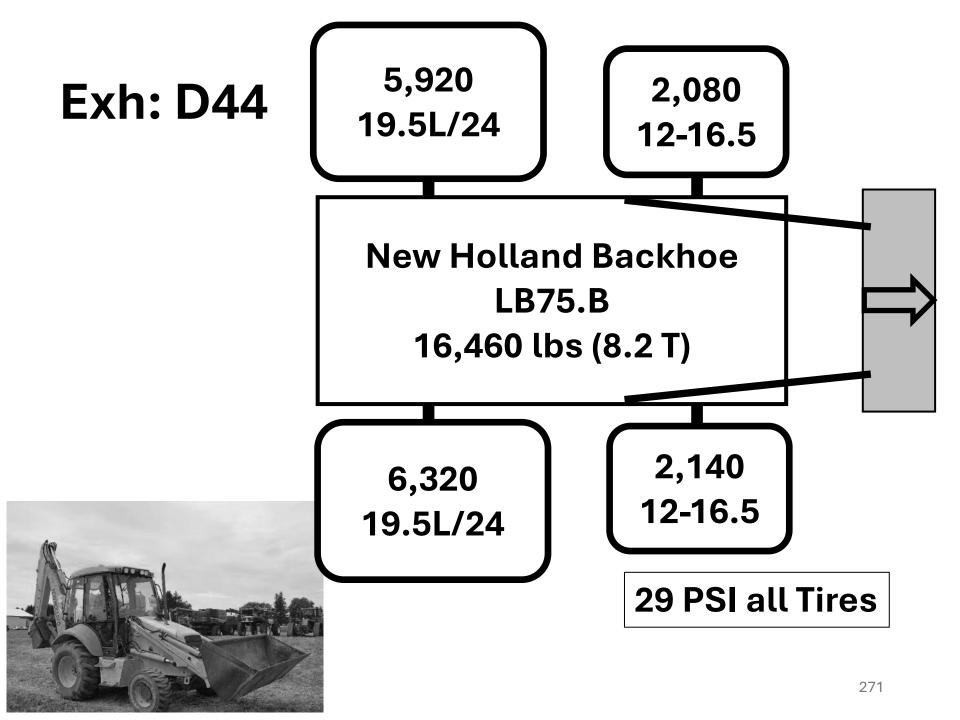


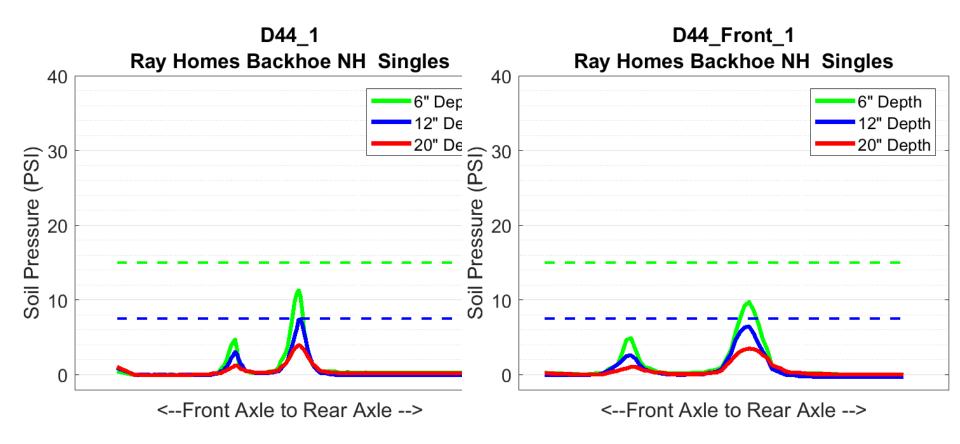
- This is a good example of a light vehicle only causing stress in the topsoil, however due to the weight and small tire size it is almost comparable to a pickup truck.
- Note no response deeper down in the soil.
- It does speak to the aspect of low weight equals little threat even when soil conditions are poor.



## Exhibit: D44 New Holland Backhoe LB75.B w 19.5R and 12.0F Bias Tires





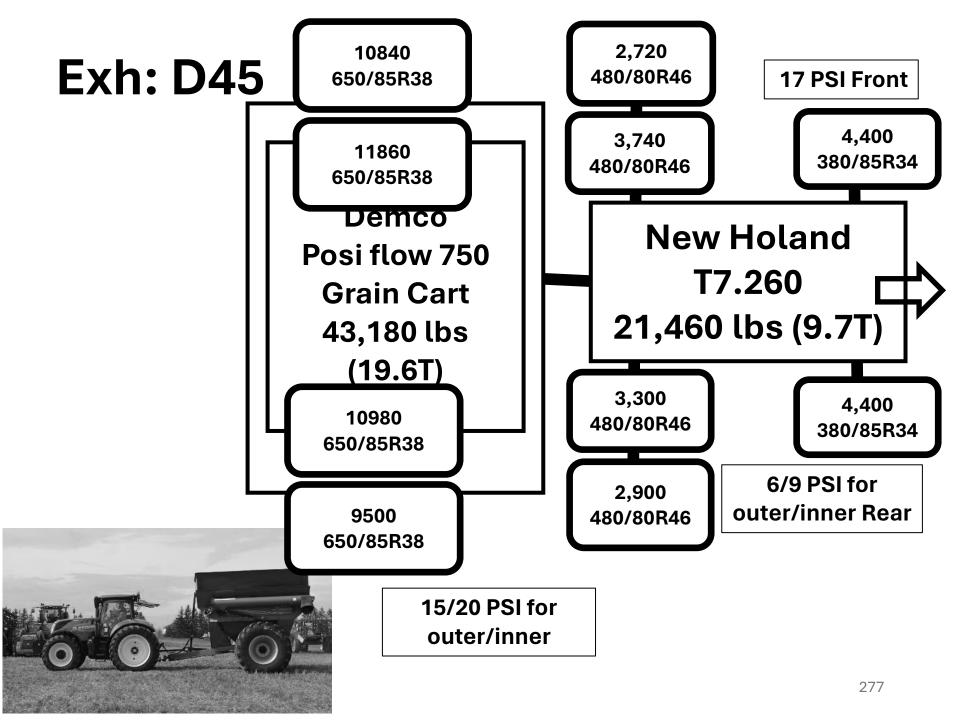


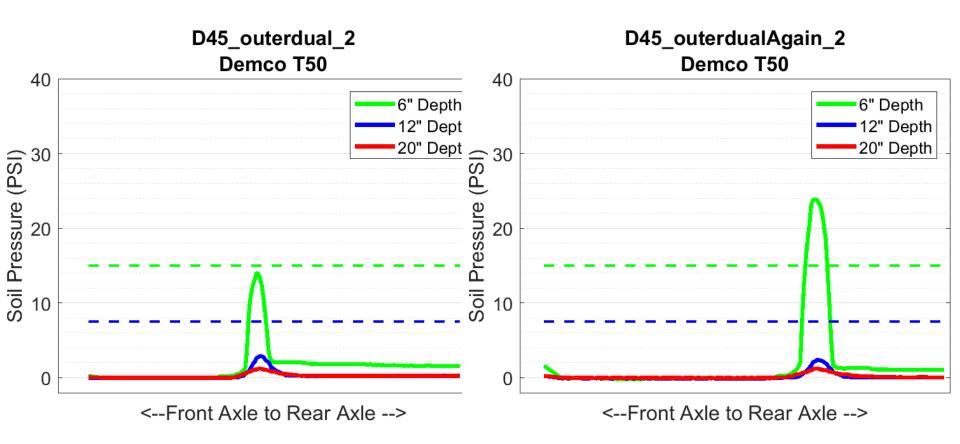
- The front and rear tires were somewhat misaligned. So each plot shows the peak of the tires individually.
- Construction equipment often has bias tires and this shows here where the shallow load is detected but the overall weight is low relative to seeing load detected at depth.



## Exhibit: D45+D7 Demco 750 Dualled Grain Cart w 650s + NH T7.260 Dualled Rear Row Crop Tractor w 480s





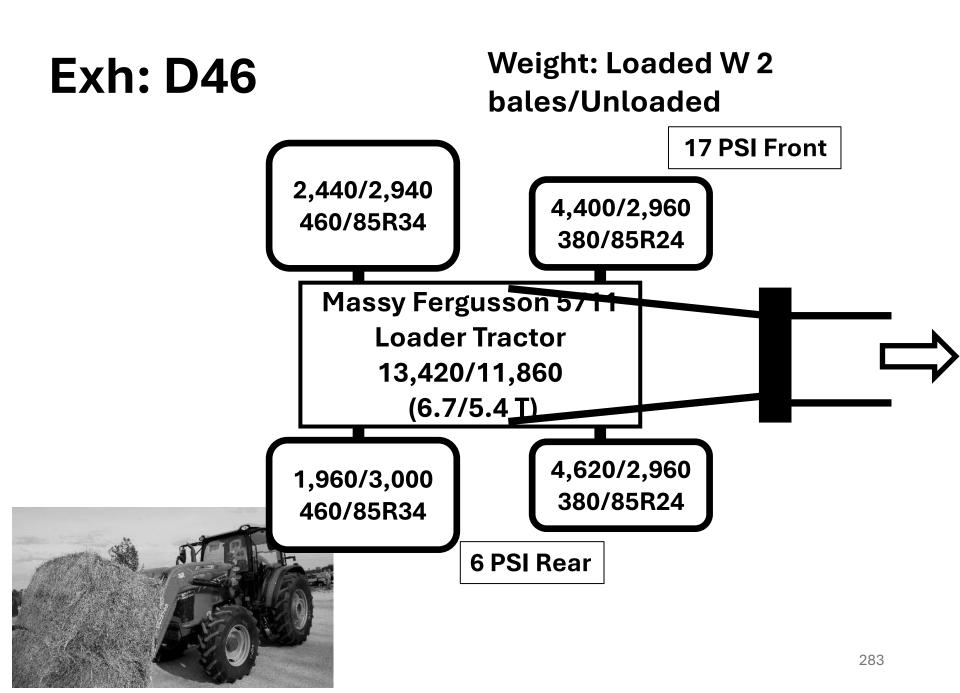


- High axle weight even on a 20 psi tire causing high stress shallow but dual configuration and overall load protecting deep threat.
- Dual wheel configuration spreads the load and lowers the threat of heavy weight load being driven deeper.
- In this configuration most of the load is detected shallow and while it might impact the crop this year, the freeze/thaw and time will eliminate it easily relative to when the weight is driven deeper in many other grain buggy configurations.

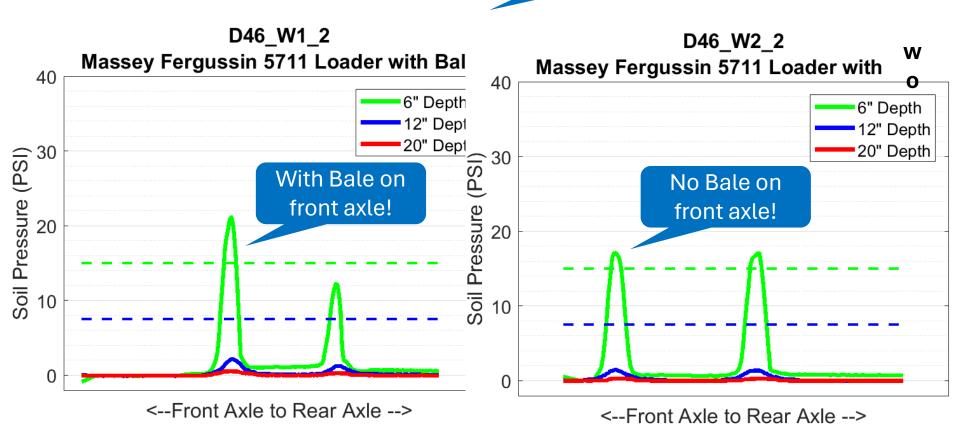


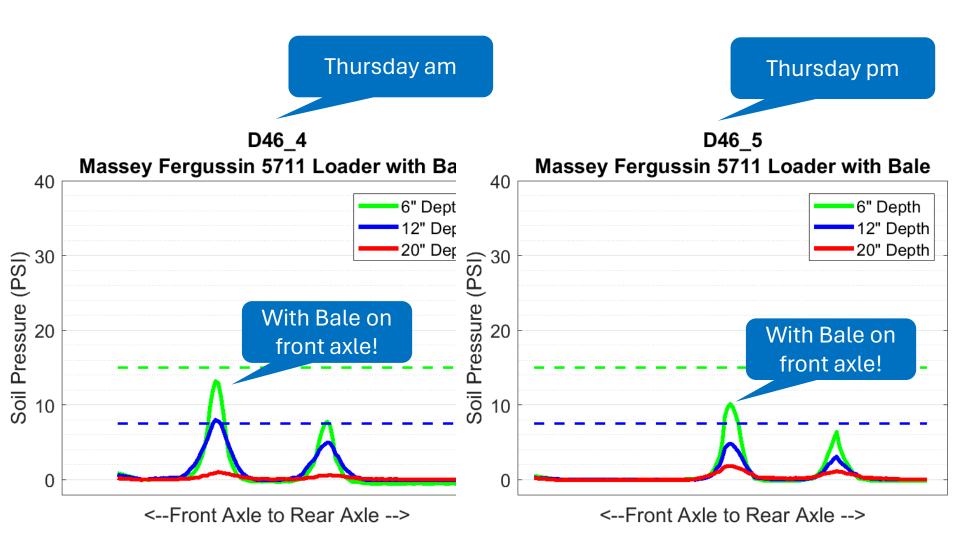
## Exhibit: D46 Massy Ferguson 5711 Row Crop Loader Tractor w 380/460's w & wo Load





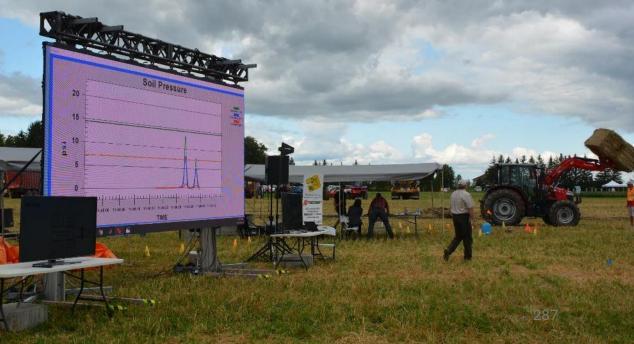
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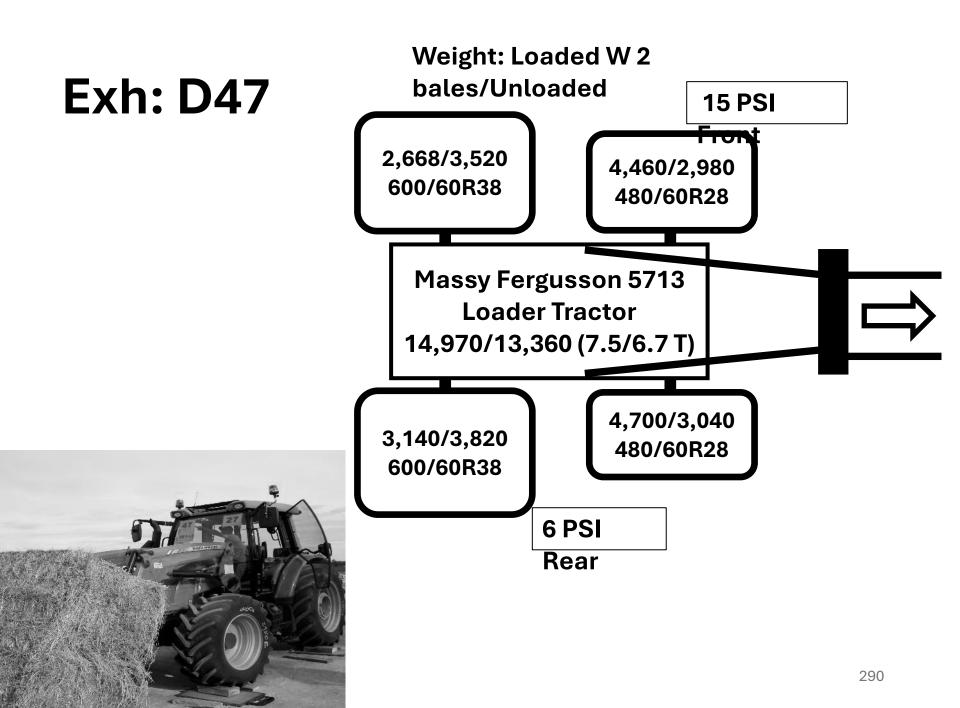
- Row crop loader tractors are often not configured to spread the load of on the front axle because of tire size leading to increased stress especially in the top soil area.
- The data in the two plots show how the same configuration can result in different responses due to changes in soil factors where the sensor pits are located, even when close to each other in what appears to be a uniform field. As well Wednesday rainfall could have dried more by Thursday pm vs am leading to different response levels.



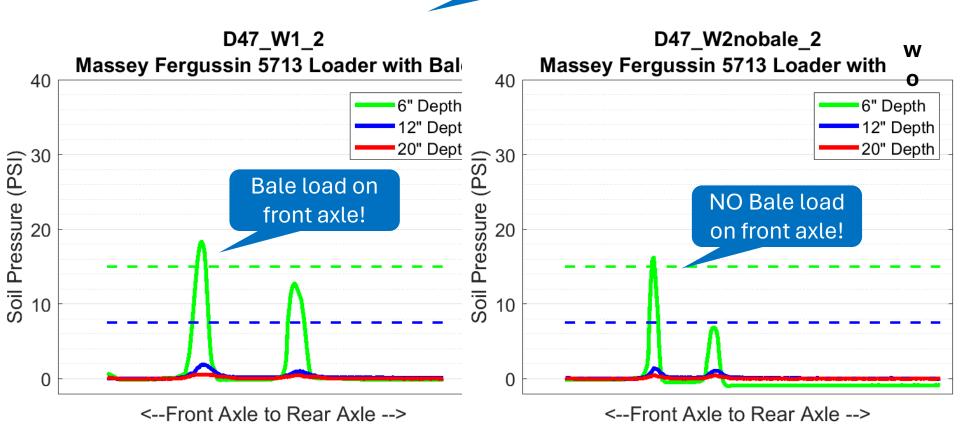


## Exhibit: D47 Massy Ferguson 5713S Row Crop Loader Tractor w 480/600s w & wo Load





#### Wednesday am



- This tractor of similar size to D46 has 480/600s at 15/6psi respectively.
- The response observed was similar although we were surprised the load on the front axle without the bales was still higher than expected.
- A rear weight may be a good consideration when loading bales in the field with a row crop tractor loader to prevent all the weight being moved forward onto the smaller, higher psi tires.

