

Soil Testing

Don't guess at fertilizing garden spots, crop land or introduced pasture. Soil test! To do a good soil test, take approximately 20 samples randomly across the field or pasture. Use a soil probe to take these samples or with a shovel make a wedge shape cut 4 to 6 inches in depth. Put samples taken in a clean plastic container. After sampling is completed, mix samples together. A pint of this is needed for a soil test if it is tested by the Oklahoma State University soil testing lab. Cost per test is \$10. The basic OSU test will analyze for pH, phosphorus, potassium and nitrogen levels of the soil.

Along with the test results, you will receive a written recommendation about the fertilizer levels to apply to meet your crop or pasture yield goals.

For further information or questions, contact the Tulsa County OSU Extension Center (918) 746-3725.

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