

# **2022-2023 PERENNIAL RYEGRASS UTRISHA TRIAL**

#### OVERVIEW

Comparing perennial ryegrass yield response under two management systems; 1) N alone vs. 2) N with the addition of Utrisha N at a rate of 50z/a applied at the early development stage.

- $\cdot$  78% of air is Nitrogen as N2, which is not available to plants
- Nitrogen is the most limiting plant nutrient
- $\cdot$  Utrisha N contains a symbiotic bacteria that colonizes the leaf, fixes airborne nitrogen, and converts it to NH4 which is available for plants
- Applications made 4/15/2022 and 5/11/2023



### Application

- •5 oz/a
- Apply early in the morning when stomata are open and when spring growth is sufficient to maximize leaf contact

### Nitrogen

- $\cdot$  78% of air is Nitrogen (N\_2)
- Nitrogen the most limiting plant nutrient
- $\cdot$  Methylobacterium symbioticum converts atmospheric nitrogen (N\_2) to ammonium

## SUMMARY

Utrisha N applied at 5oz/a increased yield by an average of 70.4 lbs/a (p-value 0.006). Yield increases are independent of the total N application rate.

_	Total N	N Alone	w/Utrisha N	Increase
2023	lb N/a	Seed yield (Ib/a)		
	110	2114	2157	43
	135	1967	2054	87
	160	1989	2000	11
	185	1667	1858	191
	70	1043	1090	47
	110	1278	1391	113
	150	1381	1434	53
	190	1479	1497	18
			Average	70.4

