

This past week was busy trying to finish up some planting before rains came in again.

Armstrong recorded 1.57 inches of precipitation for the week and Neely-Kinyon (NK) recorded 1.35 inches.

Activities:

- Bulk beans were finished planted
- Stine Seed soybean plot were put in
- Two long days of rain simulation were put in on the Biochar plots—University of Nebraska personnel, with 2 ISU helpers, and 3 of us helping move equipment around and hauling water
- Finished preparing pasture for cattle
- Garden plants arrived
- Lanes were mowed at both farms
- Dan planted biochar corn plots as soon as rain simulation was done
- Monitored black cutworm and true armyworm traps
- Jim got finishing touches done on liquid nitrogen rig for plots
- Jim and Randy got liquid nitrogen applied to corn and sorghum plots at NK
- Dan planted 3rd date of planting corn
- Received 44 steers and 31 heifers from Allee Farm—these are McNay fall born cattle—went straight to pasture
- Randy got tillage done on LTAR plots in preparation of planting
- Jim is starting to work with some On Farm producers

We want to welcome John Beckman back to the farm again. He worked here last summer as an intern and just recently graduated from ISU in Ag Systems Technology. We have high hopes for him at the farms.