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NuMan Pro 5.0: Making adjustments in the Recommendations page

Introduction

In *NuMan Pro*, you can view and fine-tune all fertilizer and/or organic material recommendations on a field-by-field basis on the "Recommendations" page. The program will also alert you if any scenarios you entered will apply excess nitrogen to the crop so that you can make adjustments. As a reminder, Maryland state regulations require that all nutrients be applied according to University of Maryland Extension (UME) guidelines.

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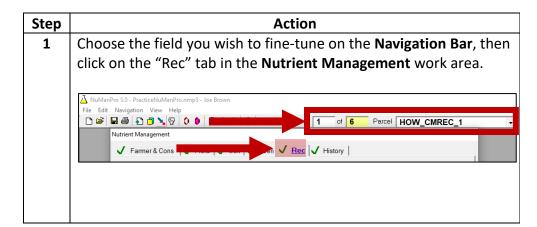
In this document, you will find instructions for:

- Fine-tuning recommendations
- <u>Linking multiple crops per growing season (versus alternate crop</u> scenarios)
- <u>Fixing nitrogen excesses when the "Recommendations" page is</u> flagged

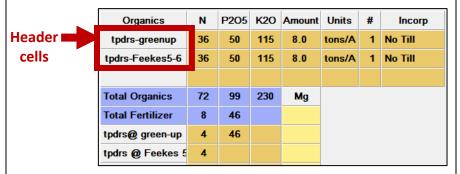
Fine-tuning recs

Instructions

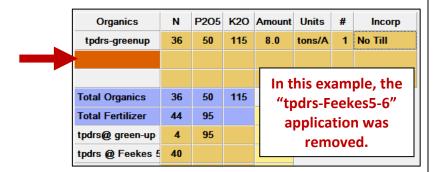
An organic recommendation may be fine-tuned for crops such as small grains that agronomically require split applications of organic nutrients. These crops will automatically produce recommendations with more than one application for a single organic material, split according to the crop's nitrogen requirements, regardless of only adding one application on the "Scenarios" page.



In upper portion of the **Recommendations Grid**, the header cells will include the names of each split application.



Click on the header cell to the left of the split in question to remove it from the recommendation. The header cell will change color to show an adjustment has been made.

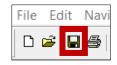


Once the split is removed, a fertilizer equivalent will be displayed in the lower fertilizer portion of the **Recommendations Grid** in the line with its associated application method. Notice that the "Total Fertilizer" has changed between the two screens above.

- If you'd like to restore the organic application, click again on the corresponding header cell to bring it back.
- 4 If the field is under conventional or conservation tillage, and you haven't adjusted the time to incorporation (**Incorp**) for the organic material, this is another chance to do so.

Click on the drop-down menu under **Incorp** to choose when the material will be incorporated. This will adjust the nitrogen recommendations automatically.

Remember to save your work! There is **no** autosave feature in *NuMan Pro*.



Incorp

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3-6 hr

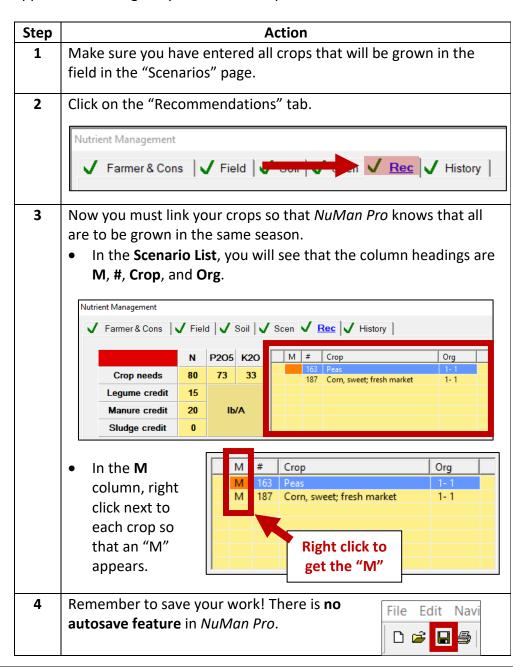
6-12 hr

12-24 h

Linking multiple crops per growing season (versus alternate crop scenarios)

Instructions

NuMan Pro can be used to generate recommendations for single or multiple crops in a field (multi-cropping), but it can also be used to generate recommendations for alternate crops if a client does not yet know what will be grown in a field. In order to distinguish between multi-cropped and alternate crop recommendations, you need to link the multi-crops in the "Recs" page. This is critically important on fields where P Risk Assessments are required and manure is applied to more than one crop per year. This action will add the P contribution from all manure applications during the year and then reports it in the PMT module.

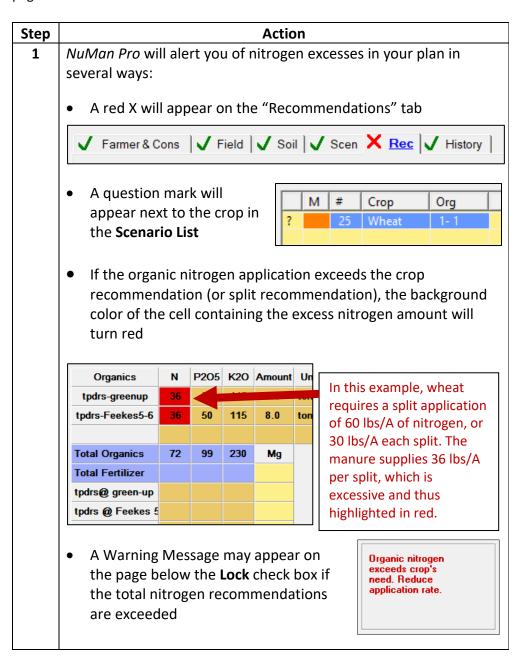


Fixing nitrogen excesses when the "Recs" page is flagged

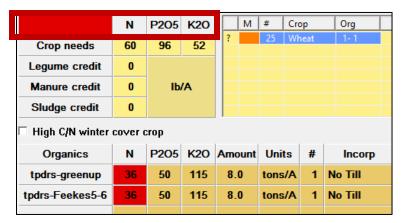
Instructions

A scenario containing a nitrogen excess from applied organic materials will be flagged and will not print because it is outside the scope of UME nutrient recommendations. It is the planner's responsibility to adjust the scenario to eliminate the nitrogen excess and this type of adjustment can be made in a variety of places on the "Recommendations" page.

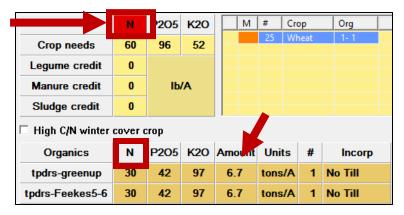
**Note: Depending on where the adjustment is made, the adjustment may affect other scenarios for the same field and may change choices made on the "Scen" page.



- 2 Make any or all of the following adjustments to eliminate the nitrogen excess:
 - A. Adjust split applications of organic materials
 - See the instructions for "<u>Fine-tuning Recommendations</u>" in this document
 - B. Change the basis of recommendations for organic materials
 - In the **Crop Needs Grid**, click on any of the column headings to change the recommendations basis.

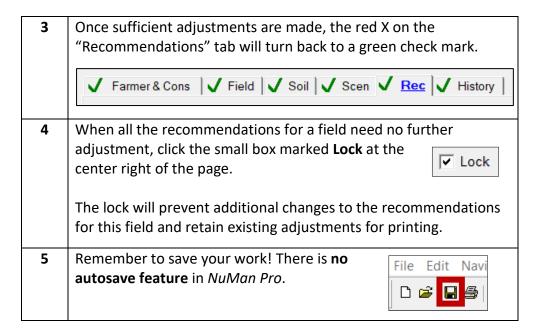


For example, to go from a pre-set rate (which is shown above) to a nitrogen based recommendation, click on **N**.



You will see that the **Amount** of the organic material that can be applied has changed and that the **N** rate in the organics section of the **Recommendations Grid** is no longer highlighted in red.

It is the planner's responsibility to know if the application rate (or **Amount) is below the limitations of current organic material spreading technology and adjust accordingly.



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