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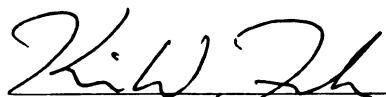
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ABSTRACT

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Extensive research on nitrate-nitrogen ($\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$) leaching in turfgrass systems indicates that in most cases leaching poses little risk to the environment. Most of the research, however, was conducted on research sites that were either recently disturbed or established, and the potential exists for $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ concentrations in leachate to increase on mature turf sites. The fate of nitrogen (N) was examined for a 10-year old Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis* L.) turfstand using intact monolith lysimeters and microplots. From October 2000 through 2002, half of the lysimeters and microplots were treated annually with urea at a high N rate of 245 kg N ha^{-1} ($49 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1} \text{ application}^{-1}$). The remaining lysimeters and microplots were treated annually with urea at a low N rate of 98 kg N ha^{-1} ($24.5 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1} \text{ application}^{-1}$). The October 2000 urea application was made with ^{15}N double-labeled urea to facilitate fertilizer identification among clippings, verdure, thatch, soil, roots, and leachate. The average total N recovery for the low and high N rates was 78 and 74%, respectively. $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ concentrations in leachate for the low N rate were typically below 5 mg L^{-1} . For the high N rate, $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ concentrations in leachate were typically greater than 20 mg L^{-1} . Over approximately two years, 1.3 and 10.9% of labeled fertilizer-N was recovered in leachate for the low and high N rates, respectively. These results indicate that total yearly applications of 245 kg N ha^{-1} in the form of urea to a 10-year old Kentucky bluegrass stand with monolith lysimeters in place, resulted in elevated levels of $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ in leachate.

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INTRODUCTION

Nitrogen (N) is the nutrient most commonly applied to a turfgrass system (Beard, 1973). The potential for N to leach is increased by high N rates, type of N carrier, over watering, and sandy soils. Turf managers reduce the potential for N leaching by using slow release fertilizers, applying N at low rates over multiple applications, reducing N rates on sandy soils, promoting deep root systems, and adjusting irrigation practices so that excessive water is not applied.

Extensive research on nitrate-nitrogen ($\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$) leaching in turfgrass systems indicates that in most cases leaching poses little risk to the environment. Previous research (Starr and DeRoo, 1981; Miltner et al., 1996; Frank, 2000; and Horgan et al. 2002) using ^{15}N labeled fertilizers applied to cool season turf stands lead to the following estimates: 26% of applied fertilizer N is recovered in clippings; 3-13% is recovered in the verdure; 21-40% is recovered in the thatch; 14-41% is recovered in the soil; 2% is recovered in roots; 5% is lost through denitrification; and trace amounts are leached. Total recovery of applied fertilizer N ranged from 64 to 90%. These studies, however, were conducted on younger sites that ranged in age from 1 to 7 years old.

The potential exists for $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ concentrations in leachate to increase on mature turf sites. Porter et al. (1980) examined total N content in soil to a depth of 40 cm within 105 turf systems ranging in age from 1 to 125 years old. The data suggests that soil organic N accumulation is rapid in the first 10 years after establishment, and slowly builds to an equilibrium at 25 years where no further net N immobilization occurs. Porter et al. (1980) concluded that there is a rather limited capacity of the soil to store organic N and that after 10 years the potential for overfertilization is “greatly enhanced.” Valiela et

al. (1997), based on the data of Porter et al. (1980), modeled the flux of N through a coastal watershed, and predicted that 61% of N applied to a 10 year or older turf stand leaches to groundwater. Conclusions such as these show the need to examine the fate of N applied to a mature turf stand. The objectives of this research were to quantify $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ and ammonium-nitrogen ($\text{NH}_4\text{-N}$) concentrations in leachate, and the fate of ^{15}N double-labeled urea fertilizer among clippings, verdure, thatch, soil, roots, and leachate for a Kentucky bluegrass turfstand 10 years after establishment.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Groundwater quality is likely to decline as a result of human activities altering the global N cycle (Vitousek et al., 1997). The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has set a safe drinking water standard of 10 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹. Violation of the EPA nitrate standard for drinking water has closed more public water supplies in the United States than any other contaminant (Bhumbla, 2002). Drinking water in excess of the nitrate standard may cause: acute health effects including blue-baby syndrome (methemoglobinemia) and sometimes death; chronic health effects including diuresis, increased starchy deposits and hemorrhaging of the spleen (EPA, 2002). The misuse of fertilizers applied to home lawns may potentially have a significant impact on water quality. These concerns have prompted several studies examining the fate of N applied to turf systems. Four of the major fates of N in a turf system are leaching, gaseous loss, plant uptake, and soil storage.

Leaching

A nutrient is considered leached once it has moved past the turfgrass root zone (Carrow et al., 2001). Factors that influence N leaching losses from a turfgrass system are N rate and carrier, amount of water that moves through the root zone, soil texture, and N uptake by the grass (Carrow et al., 2001). Cultural practices that reduce N leaching include: using slow release fertilizers; applying N at low rates over multiple applications (spoon feeding); enhancing the cation exchange capacity of sands; promoting deep root development and root viability; and adjusting irrigation practices so that excessive water is not applied (Carrow et al., 2001).

Morton et al. (1988) studied three N fertilization rates (0, 97, and 244 kg N ha⁻¹ as urea and methylene urea) and two irrigation practices (scheduled by a tensiometer to prevent drainage from the root zone and overwatering consisting of 3.75 cm wk⁻¹ regardless of rainfall) on a 90% Kentucky bluegrass and 10% red fescue (*Festuca rubra* L.) turfstand established 4 years earlier. Suction plate lysimeters, to a depth of 70 cm, were used to sample leachate from the turf system. When irrigation was scheduled using a tensiometer, the average NO₃-N concentration in leachate for the 0, 97, and 244 kg N ha⁻¹ rates was 0.51, 0.87, and 1.24 mg L⁻¹, respectively. In the overwatering treatments NO₃-N concentrations in leachate averaged 0.36, 1.77, and 4.02 mg L⁻¹, for the 0, 97, and 244 kg N ha⁻¹ rates, respectively. The authors concluded that leaching losses from home lawns did not pose a threat to drinking water aquifers.

Gold and Groffman (1993) compared the leaching of NO₃-N from four different land uses over a 2 year period. The four land uses consisted of a home lawn turf (established 6 years earlier), corn grown for silage (plowed each spring), a mature mixed oak-pine forest (80-120 years old), and a septic system. Nitrogen was applied to the turf system in the form of urea and UREAFORM at an annual rate of 344 kg N ha⁻¹ divided into five applications. Nitrogen applied to the corn was in the form of urea at an annual rate of 202 kg N ha⁻¹ (34 kg N ha⁻¹ in June and 168 kg N ha⁻¹ in July). Nitrogen entered the septic system through household wastewater, and the forest system through natural deposition. NO₃-N leaching was highest for the septic system, with an average concentration of 59 mg L⁻¹. Concentrations in the silage corn leachate ranged from 3-50 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹, and home lawns contained concentrations in the range of 0.2-5.0 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹. NO₃-N concentration from the mature forest was consistently near 0.2 mg L⁻¹.

The authors concluded that septic systems are major contributors of N leaching to groundwater, while the extended growing period and small, frequent applications of fertilizer maximized the ability of the home lawn turf to absorb the fertilizer, reducing the potential of NO₃-N leaching.

¹⁵N Research

To gain a greater understanding of N applied to a turf system, the naturally occurring isotope ¹⁵N can be applied as fertilizer. Fertilizers enriched with ¹⁵N enable a researcher to distinguish fertilizer N from N that is already in the system. ¹⁵N is a powerful tool to study the fate of applied N because it can be followed in the plant-soil system as it enters, is transported within, or leaves the system (Hauck and Bremner, 1976).

Starr and DeRoo (1981) applied ¹⁵N labeled ammonium nitrate at a rate of 180 kg N ha⁻¹, divided into two applications, to a mixture of Kentucky bluegrass and creeping red fescue established the previous spring. They measured the concentration of labeled fertilizer N in clippings, thatch, soil (to a depth of 30 cm), and leachate. One year after ¹⁵N application, 64 and 73% of the labeled fertilizer N was recovered within the system when clippings were either removed or returned, respectively. Suction lysimeters used to sample soil water to depths ranging from 180 to 240 cm showed NO₃-N concentrations in leachate averaging 1.9 and 2.0 mg L⁻¹ when clippings were either removed or returned, respectively. The authors concluded that little, if any, leaching losses of N from the turf plots occurred.

Frank (2000) applied ^{15}N labeled ammonium nitrate to 7 year old stands of Kentucky bluegrass (cv. 'Adelphi,' 'Baron,' 'Merit,' and 'Touchdown') and tall fescue (*Festuca arundinacea* Schreb., cv. 'Arid,' 'Mustang,' and 'Olympic') at two rates, 24.4 and 48.8 kg N ha⁻¹. Mass N balance was determined for each N treatment among top growth, thatch, roots, and soil to a depth of 64 cm. The average percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) for the thatch and soil was 37 and 42%, respectively. The total %NRFF at the 24.4 and 48.8 kg N ha⁻¹ rates was 95 and 73%, respectively. Based on these data, Frank (2000) concluded that the majority of applied N is either retained in the soil or taken up by the turf.

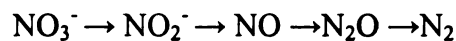
Over a period of 3 years, Miltner et al. (1996) studied the fate of ^{15}N labeled urea applied to a 1 year old polystand of Kentucky bluegrass (cv. 'Adelphi,' 'Nassau,' and 'Nugget'). Nitrogen was applied at an annual rate of 196 kg N ha⁻¹ divided into five applications of urea over 38 day intervals, defined by either a spring or fall application schedule. The first application of the spring schedule was in April and the last was in September, while the fall application schedule began in June and ended in November. Using intact monolith lysimeters (1.2 m deep), NO₃-N concentrations in leachate were generally below 1 mg L⁻¹ throughout the study. Only 0.23% of the labeled ^{15}N was collected in leachate. The majority of the labeled ^{15}N was collected in clippings, thatch, and soil. Total recovery of the labeled ^{15}N was 64 and 81% for the spring and fall application schedules, respectively. Miltner et al. (1996) concluded that NO₃-N leaching for both the spring and fall application schedules was negligible.

Gaseous Losses

In many studies using ^{15}N labeled fertilizers, the authors have suggested that denitrification and NH_3 volatilization losses were responsible for incomplete recovery of applied ^{15}N (Starr and DeRoo, 1981; Miltner et al., 1996). Similar to leaching losses, denitrification and volatilization losses have received increased attention in recent years.

Denitrification

Denitrification results in the gaseous loss of N in the form of nitric oxide (NO), nitrous oxide (N_2O), or N_2 gas. The reaction for denitrification involves the following sequence:



Factors that influence denitrification include: the presence of a thatch layer and/or readily decomposable organic matter; soil moisture and oxygen content; soil temperature; soil pH; plant growth and root activity; and NO_3^- level (Carrow et al., 2001).

Mancino et al. (1988) studied the effects of soil texture, percent soil saturation, and ambient temperature on denitrification losses from 'Baron' Kentucky bluegrass fertilized with potassium nitrate (KNO_3) at a rate of 45 kg N ha^{-1} . Over a 10 day period, maximum denitrification losses occurred when soils were saturated and accounted for 2.2 and 5.4% of applied N for the silt loam and silt soils, respectively. Below 80% saturation, little to no denitrification losses were observed when soil temperature was maintained at 22°C . When high soil temperatures (30 and 35°C) were combined with saturated soil conditions, denitrification losses were 44.6 and 92.6% of applied N for the silt loam and silt soils, respectively. The authors concluded that saturated soil conditions

in combination with high soil temperatures could result in large denitrification losses in a fertilized turfstand.

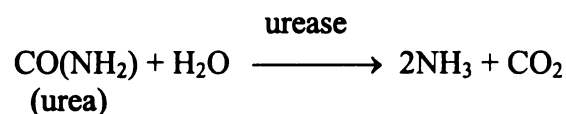
Horgan et al. (2002) examined denitrification rates from Kentucky bluegrass after a 49 kg N ha⁻¹ application of ¹⁵N labeled KNO₃ in solution. Over a 6 week period in the spring, recovery of N₂ and N₂O averaged 4.3 and 0.6% of applied N, respectively. Over a 4 week period in the summer, N₂ and N₂O concentrations averaged 15 and 5.6% of applied N, respectively. The authors concluded that the higher N₂O and N₂ levels observed in the summer were due to ideal conditions for denitrification, including elevated soil temperatures and anaerobic conditions caused by 8.9 cm of rainfall 4 days after fertilization.

Volatilization

Volatilization is the gaseous loss of N in the form of ammonia (NH₃).

Volatilization losses are common to fertilizers that contain urea (Carrow et al., 2001).

The enzyme urease is responsible for the following hydrolysis reaction:



Factors that influence NH₃ volatilization include: level of urea and ammonium (NH₄⁺) present; temperature; soil pH; soil moisture; cation exchange capacity; N carrier, form (liquid versus dry), and rate; and the presence of a thatch layer (Carrow et al., 2001; Petrovic, 1990).

Nelson et al. (1980) compared the influence of a thatch layer and N carrier on volatilization rates from Kentucky bluegrass. When a 5 cm thatch layer was present, 39

and 4% of applied N volatilized after 8 days from urea and isobutylidine diurea (IBDU) applications, respectively. When no thatch layer was present, 5 and 2% of applied N volatilized from urea and IBDU applications, respectively. Although the N application rate was extremely high (253 kg N ha^{-1} in a single application), the authors concluded that in turf stands with high thatch accumulations, the use of slow release N carriers and reduction of the thatch layer would decrease NH_3 volatilization losses.

Bowman et al. (1987) studied the influence of supplemental irrigation on NH_3 volatilization rates after urea application (50 kg N ha^{-1}) to Kentucky bluegrass. Immediately after urea application, irrigation at the rate of 0, 0.5, 1, 2, or 4 cm was applied. Without supplemental irrigation, losses of up to 36% were observed. With 1 cm of supplemental irrigation, losses were reduced to 3 to 8%; with 4 cm of irrigation, 1% of applied N was lost. In a second experiment the authors determined that in the irrigated plots NH_3 losses returned to control levels 11 hours following urea application. In the unirrigated plots, NH_3 losses continued for up to 24 hours after urea application. The authors concluded that irrigation should be applied as soon as possible after fertilizer application to reduce volatilization losses.

Urease inhibitors have been suggested as a means to reduce volatilization losses. Urease inhibitors slow the conversion of urea-N to NH_3 -N. The thatch layer contains large quantities of urease, increasing volatilization losses. Joo et al. (1991) investigated the effectiveness of using a urease inhibitor to reduce volatile N losses. ^{15}N labeled urea was applied at 49 kg N ha^{-1} to a 6 year old blend of cv. 'Adelphi,' 'Glade,' 'Parade,' and 'Rugby' Kentucky bluegrass. After 5 weeks, 28.8% of applied N was retained in clippings, shoots, thatch, and the top 15 cm of soil. When 0.25 and 0.5 % of the urease

inhibitor N-(*n*-butyl) thiophosphoric triamide (NBPT) was added, 45.0 and 36.1% of applied ^{15}N was recovered, respectively. Although leachate was not collected, the authors speculated that a large portion of the ^{15}N leached through the soil profile due to 13 cm of rainfall on the fifth day after treatment. The authors concluded that NBPT, in combination with proper water management to move the urea into the soil profile, would reduce NH_4 volatilization losses.

Mature sites

The majority of N fate research has been conducted on relatively young turf stands, ranging in age from 1 to 7 years; however, the age of a turf stand has been proposed as an important factor in determining the fate of N. Bouldin and Lathwell (1968) suggested that the ability of a soil to store organic N under relatively constant management and climatic conditions, which are typical of turf systems, would decrease with time and eventually an equilibrium level of soil organic N would be obtained. Porter et al. (1980) examined total N content in soil to a depth of 40 cm in 105 turf systems ranging in age from 1 to 125 years old. The data suggest that soil organic matter accumulation is rapid in the first 10 years after establishment, and slowly builds to an equilibrium at 25 years, when no further net N immobilization occurs. Porter et al. (1980) concluded that there is a rather limited capacity of the soil to store organic N, and that after 10 years the potential for overfertilization is greatly increased.

In a 1990 review article entitled 'The Fate of Nitrogenous Fertilizers Applied to Turfgrass,' Petrovic hypothesized, based on the data of Porter et al. (1980), that older turf sites, or sites with high organic matter contents, should be fertilized at a reduced N rate to

minimize the potential for $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ leaching. Petrovic theorized that the rate of N applied to younger turf stands (less than 10 years of age) should equal the rate at which N is used by the plants, lost to the atmosphere, and stored in the soil. Older turf sites (greater than 25 years of age) lose the ability to store additional N in the soil, and therefore should be fertilized at a rate equal to the rate N is used by the turf and lost to the atmosphere (Petrovic, 1990).

Valiela et al. (1997) modeled the flux of N through a coastal watershed. The model assumed, based on the data of Porter et al. (1980), that "...net N storage in plants and soil does not increase after the first decade following establishment." The model also assumed that on average all turf parcels within the watershed were greater than 10 years old. Based on these assumptions and combined data from numerous studies, the authors estimated that 39% of applied fertilizer N is lost through gaseous means (volatilization and denitrification), and the remaining 61% leaches to the subsoil below the turf parcel.

One study has examined leaching losses of N applied to a mature Kentucky bluegrass stand. Duff et al. (1997) applied four N fertilization rates, (0, 104, 180, and 257 kg N ha⁻¹) in the form of urea divided into five equal applications, on a mature Kentucky bluegrass turf stand. Prior to this study, the soil had been in turf for at least 25 years and although soil organic matter contents were not measured, the soil was assumed to have a high organic N content. It is unclear, however, what the age of the turfstand was at the initiation of this study. Suction plate lysimeters, to a depth of 60 cm, were installed in the seventh year of the study to sample leachate from the turf system. Over a 19-month period (June 1992 through December 1993), $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ concentrations in leachate were below 10 mg L⁻¹ for all N fertilization rates, except for two sampling dates in the

autumn of the second year for the 257 kg N ha⁻¹ rate. After 8 years of intensive management, NO₃-N concentrations in leachate were not appreciably greater than those reported for younger sites.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Between 1989 and 1991, four monolith lysimeters were constructed according to the specifications of Miltner et al. (1996) at the Hancock Turfgrass Research Center, Michigan State University. The lysimeters, 1.14 m in diameter and 1.20 m deep, were constructed with grade 304 stainless steel (0.05 cm thick). The bottom of each lysimeter was constructed with a 3% slope to facilitate collection into a 19 L jug.

In September 1990 the lysimeters and surrounding area were treated with glyphosate and then sodded with a polystand of Kentucky bluegrass (cv. 'Adelphi', 'Nassau', and 'Nugget'). Prior to the glyphosate application, the area had been a turfgrass stand for six years. Between 1991 and 1993, the lysimeters were used for a mass N balance study conducted by Eric D. Miltner and associates. The soil type was a Marlette fine sandy loam (Fine-loamy, mixed mesic Glossoboric Hapludalfs) with a pH of 7.2. For complete soil physical and chemical characteristics see Appendix Table 2A. The lysimeters and surrounding plot area received fertilizer applications, mowing, and irrigation to maintain optimum growing conditions. The turfgrass was mowed twice a week at 7.6 cm with the clippings returned. Irrigation replaced 80% of potential evapotranspiration, estimated by a WS-200 Rainbird Maxi weather station (Rainbird, Glendora, CA). For complete weather and irrigation data see Appendix Table 3A.

In the fall of 2000, 90 microplots were installed in the area adjacent to the lysimeters. Of the 90 microplots, 56 were for this study and 34 were reserved for future research. The microplots were constructed of 20 cm diameter polyvinyl chloride (PVC) piping 45 cm in length. To preserve the soil structure within the microplots, the leading

edge of the PVC piping was beveled and driven into the ground using a hydraulic press until it was flush with the soil surface.

On October 17, 2000, ^{15}N double-labeled urea with 10% enrichment was applied in solution to the microplots and lysimeters, followed by 0.50 cm of irrigation. Two of the lysimeters and half of the microplots were treated at a low N rate of $24.5 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$, and the remaining lysimeters and microplots were treated at a high N rate of 49 kg N ha^{-1} .

In 2001 and 2002, the lysimeters and microplots received unlabeled N in the form of urea in solution, followed by 0.50 cm of irrigation. The low N treatment lysimeters and microplots were treated annually with 98 kg N ha^{-1} , divided into four applications of $24.5 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$. The high N treatment lysimeters and microplots were treated annually with 245 kg N ha^{-1} , divided into five applications of 49 kg N ha^{-1} . The application dates were May 7, June 4, July 3, and October 8, 2001, and May 8, June 6, July 3, and October 15, 2002. The high N treatment lysimeters and microplots received additional applications on September 13, 2001 and September 13, 2002.

Clipping samples were collected weekly from each microplot throughout the growing season. Eight microplots, four from each N treatment, were excavated and collected intact on seven sampling dates: November 1, 2000 (15 Days After ^{15}N Treatment); December 1, 2000 (45 DAT); April 19, 2001 (184 DAT); July 18, 2001 (274 DAT); October 9, 2001 (357 DAT); April 20, 2002 (549 DAT); and July 17, 2002 (637 DAT). The PVC pipe containing the microplot was cut away, and the remaining core was partitioned into verdure, thatch, and soil samples, all of which were dried in a 60°C convection oven for 72 hr.

Verdure samples included the crown and leaf portions of the plants. Thatch samples consisted of all plant material above the soil surface after verdure was removed. Soil within the thatch samples was removed by hand massaging, and then ground to a fine powder using a mortar and pestle. Clipping, verdure, and thatch samples were weighed and then ground to pass a 0.5 mm screen using a UdyMill Cyclone Sample Mill (Udy Corporation, Fort Collins, CO).

The soil portion was partitioned into depths of 0-5, 5-10, 10-20, and 20-40 cm. At each soil depth two subsamples were taken. The first subsample (250 g oven dry weight) was placed in a 500 ml Fleaker (Corning Glass Works, Corning, NY) with approximately 10 ml of a 5% sodium hexametaphosphate dispersion agent and filled with water to reach a 450 ml volume. The Fleaker was capped and placed on a horizontal shaker for 24 hr to displace the soil from the roots. The Fleaker cap was removed and the Fleaker was placed on a US Standard Sieve (0.05 mm) under running water, to float the roots and fine soil particles out of the Fleaker with the water, leaving the heavier soil particles in the Fleaker. The smaller soil particles passed through the sieve, while the roots were retained. Root samples were collected and dried in a 60°C convection oven for 72 hr, weighed, and then ground to pass a 0.5 mm screen using a UdyMill Cyclone Sample Mill. The second subsample, 320 cm³ in volume, was ground to a fine powder using a mortar and pestle after all visible root material was removed. The ground samples of clippings, verdure, thatch, roots, and soil were dried for an additional 24 hr in a 60°C convection oven.

Leachate collected from the monolith lysimeters was collected continuously throughout the experiment. The final leachate sampling date occurred on December 23,

2002, 796 DAT. The volume of leachate was measured when the jugs were approximately 75% full, and two subsamples were taken. One subsample was sent to the Soil and Plant Nutrient Testing Lab, Michigan State University, to determine NO₃-N and NH₄-N concentrations by flow injection analysis (QuikChem 10-107-04-1-A) using a LaChat rapid flow injection unit (LaChat Instruments, Milwaukee, WI). The second subsample was used to determine ¹⁵N enrichment by the N diffusion technique of Moran et al. (2002). Due to the low ¹⁵N concentration in the leachate an analysis was performed for NO₃-N and NH₄-N species combined.

Total N concentration and ¹⁵N enrichment in clipping, verdure, thatch, root, soil, and leachate samples were determined using a Europa 20-20 mass spectrometer (Europa Scientific, Crewe UK). Mass of N and percent of ¹⁵N recovered calculations were from Kessavalou (1994), the calculations are listed below. Soil bulk densities were as follows: 0-10 cm, 1.14 g cm⁻³; 10-20 cm, 1.54 g cm⁻³; 20-40 cm, 1.58 g cm⁻³. Background atom % ¹⁵N values are presented in Table 1. The background atom % ¹⁵N value for leachate was taken from Miltner et al. (1996). It was assumed that after nine years ¹⁵N enrichment in the leachate samples returned to background levels.

1. Percent nitrogen derived from fertilizer (%NDFF)

$$\%NDFF = \frac{(A-B)}{(C-D)}$$

A = Atom % ¹⁵N of the plant, soil, or leachate sample

B = Background atom % ¹⁵N of the unfertilized plant, soil, or leachate sample

C = Atom % ¹⁵N of the nitrogen fertilizer

D = Background % ¹⁵N of the atmosphere

2. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF, kg N ha⁻¹)

$$\text{NDFF} = \% \text{NDFF} * \text{TN}$$

$\% \text{NDFF}$ = Percent N derived from fertilizer

TN = Total nitrogen in the plant or soil, kg N ha⁻¹

3. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF)

$$\% \text{NRFF} = \frac{(\text{NDFF, kg N ha}^{-1})}{(\text{Total fertilizer nitrogen applied, kg N ha}^{-1})}$$

The experimental design was a completely randomized design. NH₄-N concentration, NO₃-N concentration, NDFF, and the %NRFF were determined for each sampling date for the leachate from lysimeters. Leachate data were analyzed as a two-factor experiment, with N rate and sampling date as the two factors. Soil and root NDFF and %NRFF data were analyzed as a three-factor experiment with N rate, DAT, and depth as the three factors. Potential correlation between the measurements taken on the same core at different depths was accounted for by analyzing the measurements taken at different depths as repeated measures. All depths for the soil and root samples were then totaled to determine the cumulative amount of NDFF and the %NRFF at each sampling date. Weekly clipping data was summed to determine the cumulative amount of NDFF and %NRFF from all weekly sampling dates prior to the corresponding microplot sampling date. Leachate data was summed to determine the cumulative amount of NDFF and %NRFF from all sampling dates prior to the corresponding microplot sampling date. Kentucky bluegrass clipping, verdure, thatch, soil, root, and leachate components were

combined to determine the total amount of NDFF and the %NRFF at each sampling date. The clipping, verdure, thatch, soil, root, leachate, and total recovery data were analyzed as a two-factor experiment with N rate and DAT as the two factors. Treatment differences were analyzed using the Proc Mixed procedure of SAS (SAS Institute Inc., 2001). Means were separated using Fischer's LSD procedure at the 0.05 level of probability.

Table 1. Background atom % ^{15}N values for Kentucky bluegrass plant, soil, and leachate components.

Component	Atom % ^{15}N
Clippings	0.3680
Verdure	0.3676
Thatch	0.3706
Root (cm)	
0-5	0.3705
5-10	0.3699
10-20	0.3695
20-40	0.3697
Soil (cm)	
Thatch Soil	0.3675
0-5	0.3681
5-10	0.3672
10-20	0.3677
20-40	0.3680
Leachate	0.3712

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Clippings

There was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the total amount of NDFF in clippings (Table 2). The high N rate had a greater total amount of NDFF in clippings than the low N rate on all sampling dates (Table 3). For the low N rate the total amount of NDFF in clippings increased from 0.29 kg N ha⁻¹ at 45 DAT to 1.73 kg N ha⁻¹ at 637 DAT. For the high N rate, the total amount of NDFF in clippings increased from 0.77 kg N ha⁻¹ at 45 DAT to 4.76 kg N ha⁻¹ at 637 DAT. Kentucky bluegrass treated at the high N rate had a greater %NRFF than the low N rate on all sampling dates (Table 4). The amount of NDFF and %NRFF in Kentucky bluegrass clippings were the summed amount of all weekly sampling dates prior to microplot sampling date. The increase in the amount of NDFF and %NRFF in Kentucky bluegrass clippings from 45 to 637 DAT, regardless of N rate, would be expected due the accumulation of weekly sampling dates. Only one weekly sampling date occurred prior to the 45 DAT sampling date, thus resulting in a low amount of NDFF and %NRFF in the clippings, regardless of N rate. By 637 DAT, 35 weekly sampling dates had occurred resulting in a greater amount of NDFF and %NRFF in clippings than at 45 DAT, regardless of N rate.

There was a significant linear effect for the N rate X DAT interaction (Figure 1). The high N rate had a steeper positive slope, indicating a more rapid increase of NDFF in clippings over time than at the low N rate.

Table 2. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass clippings.

Source	df	Clippings	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	<.0001
DAT [†]	5	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	5	<.0001	0.002
[†] Days after treatment			

Table 3. Total amount of nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in the clippings of Kentucky bluegrass for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
45	0.29B [†] d [‡]	0.77Ad
184	0.29Bd	0.77Ad
274	1.23Bc	3.35Ac
357	1.45Bb	4.34Ab
549	1.47Bb	4.14Abc
637	1.73Ba	4.76Aa

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[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 4. Total percent of nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in the clippings of Kentucky bluegrass for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
45	1.17B [†] d [‡]	1.57Ac
184	1.17Bd	1.57Ac
274	5.02Bc	6.84Ab
357	5.93Bb	8.86Aa
549	5.98Bb	8.45Aab
637	7.04Ba	9.71Aa

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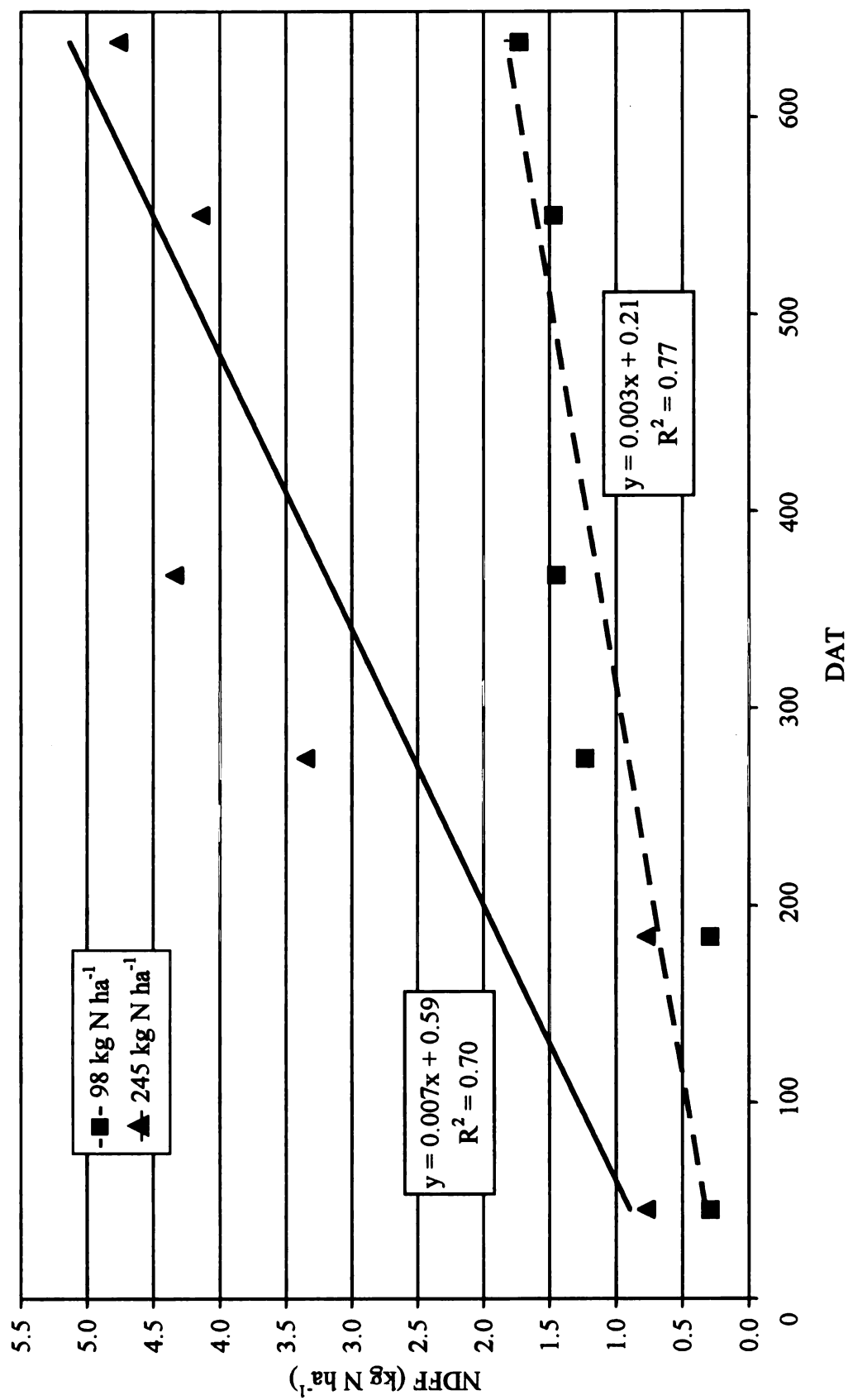


Figure 1. Total amount of nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFFF) in clippings for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction and regression of NDFFF on DAT for each N rate.

Verdure

There was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the amount of NDFF in verdure (Table 5). The high N rate had a greater amount of NDFF in verdure than the low N rate at the 15, 45, and 184 DAT sampling dates (Table 6). Following 184 DAT, the amount of NDFF in verdure, regardless of N rate, declined significantly and was not statistically different between the two N rates. The largest amount of NDFF in verdure was $10.22 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$ (20.85 %NRFF) at 184 DAT at the high N rate. At 274 DAT at the high N rate, the amount of NDFF in verdure declined to $1.66 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$ (3.39 %NRFF), a decline of 17% from 184 DAT. The amount of NDFF in verdure, for the 15, 45, and 184 DAT sampling dates at the low N rate were not statistically different, averaging 3.7 kg N ha^{-1} (15.11 %NRFF). At 274 DAT at the low N rate, the amount of NDFF declined to $1.02 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$ (4.15 %NRFF), a decline of 11% from the mean of the 15, 45, and 184 DAT sampling dates. With respect to %NRFF, the two N rates were not statistically different on 6 of 7 sampling dates (Table 7).

The amount of NDFF reported was similar to the values reported by Miltner et al. (1996) and greater than the values reported by Frank (2000), for similar N rates applied to Kentucky bluegrass turf. Miltner et al. (1996) reported %NRFF in verdure declining from 22.7% at 199 DAT to 0.69 % at 752 DAT for a fall application of $39.2 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$. These values were similar to the decline from 20.85% at 184 DAT to 1.06% at 637 DAT for the current research. Frank (2000) reported %NRFF in verdure declining from 7.1 to 2.1 % for a $24.4 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$ rate. The difference in the %NRFF in verdure between the current research and the Frank (2000) study is most likely related to mowing height. Plots for the current research were maintained at 7.6 cm, whereas the plots in the Frank

Table 5. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in the verdure and thatch layers of Kentucky bluegrass.

Source	df	Verdure		Thatch	
		NDFF	%NRFF	NDFF	%NRFF
Pr > F					
N rate	1	<.0001	0.0336	<.0001	0.3338
DAT [†]	6	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	6	<.0001	0.0236	<.0001	<.0001
[†] Days after treatment					

Table 6. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass verdure for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
15	3.65B [†] a [‡]	7.95Ab
45	3.79Ba	8.34Ab
184	3.66Ba	10.22Aa
274	1.02Ab	1.66Ac
357	0.91Ab	1.70Ac
549	0.47Ab	1.19Ac
637	0.30Ab	0.52Ac

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Table 7. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass verdure for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
15	14.91A [†] a [‡]	16.22Ab
45	15.49Aa	17.02Ab
184	14.93Ba	20.85Aa
274	4.15Ab	3.39Ac
357	3.71Ab	3.48Ac
549	1.93Ab	2.43Ac
637	1.21Ab	1.06Ac

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study were maintained at 5 cm. Since mass is used to determine the amount of NDFF in a particular component, an increased mowing height would have a greater mass of verdure and therefore a greater amount of NDFF in verdure. Similar to the current research, Miltner et al. (1996) and Frank (2000) reported a decline over time in the amount of NDFF recovered in verdure.

Thatch

There was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the amount of NDFF in thatch (Table 5). The high N rate had a greater amount of NDFF in thatch than the low N rate for all sampling dates, except at 637 DAT where they were not statistically different (Table 8). Similar to verdure, the amount of NDFF in thatch, regardless of N rate, declined significantly after the 184 DAT sampling date. Within each N rate the largest amount of NDFF in thatch was observed at 184 DAT. At 184 DAT for the low and high N rates, the amount of NDFF in thatch was 4.55 and 6.81 kg N ha⁻¹, respectively. At 274 DAT for the low and high N rates, the amount of NDFF in thatch declined to 1.07 and 1.93 kg N ha⁻¹, respectively. From 184 DAT to 274 DAT, a decline of 14 and 10% was observed for the low and high N rates, respectively. With respect to %NRFF the high N rate had a greater %NRFF at the 15 and 45 DAT sampling dates, while the low N rate was greater at 184 DAT (Table 9). For all sampling dates after 184 DAT the %NRFF was not statistically different between the two N rates.

For the current research, regardless of N rate, a smaller amount of NDFF and %NRFF were recovered in thatch than reported by Starr and DeRoo (1981), Miltner et al. (1996), and Frank (2000). The manner in which thatch layer was defined may be

Table 8. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass thatch for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
15	2.17B [†] b [‡]	5.14Ab
45	2.06Bb	6.59Aa
184	4.55Ba	6.81Aa
274	1.07Bc	1.93Acd
357	0.86Bc	2.39Ac
549	0.82Bc	1.50Ad
637	0.45Ac	0.56Ae

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[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 9. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass thatch for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
15	8.84B [†] b [‡]	10.48Ab
45	8.4Bb	13.46Aa
184	18.55Aa	13.91Ba
274	4.35Ac	3.93Acd
357	3.53Ac	4.88Ac
549	3.34Acd	3.06Ad
637	1.82Ad	1.13Ae

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responsible for the differences in the amount of NDFF reported in this study compared to Miltner et al. (1996) and Frank (2000). Miltner et al. (1996) defined thatch as the material between the green tissue and the point below the soil surface where a layer of rhizomes was reached. The soil in the thatch layer was returned to the soil component. Frank (2000) included the soil within the thatch layer in the thatch component. It is unclear, however, what depth into the soil was included in the thatch layer. For the current research the thatch layer was defined as the plant material above the soil surface after verdure was removed. Any soil in the thatch layer was removed and defined as the thatch soil component. The different definitions for the thatch component of Kentucky bluegrass between each study would lead to differences in the amount of NDFF recovered in the thatch layer.

Roots

There was a significant N rate X DAT X depth interaction for the amount of NDFF in roots (Table 10). The 0-5 cm depth, regardless of N rate, contained a greater amount of NDFF in roots than the 5-10, 10-20, and 20-40 cm depths (Figures 2 and 3). This result would be expected due to the majority of roots being in the 0-5 cm depth. The 0-5 cm depth, regardless of N rate, averaged 13,451 kg roots ha⁻¹. The 5-10, 10-20, and 20-40 cm depths combined, regardless of N rate, averaged 2,910 kg roots ha⁻¹. Although statistical differences were observed between the 5-10, 10-20, and 20-40 cm depths, the amount of NDFF recovered in these depths was typically less than 0.15 kg N ha⁻¹, regardless of N rate or DAT, and are of little practical significance (Table 11).

Table 10. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) for Kentucky bluegrass roots.

Source	df	Roots	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	<.0001
DAT [†]	4	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	4	0.1537	0.1541
Depth	3	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X Depth	3	<.0001	<.0001
DAT X Depth	12	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT X Depth	12	0.0027	0.0027
[†] Days after treatment			

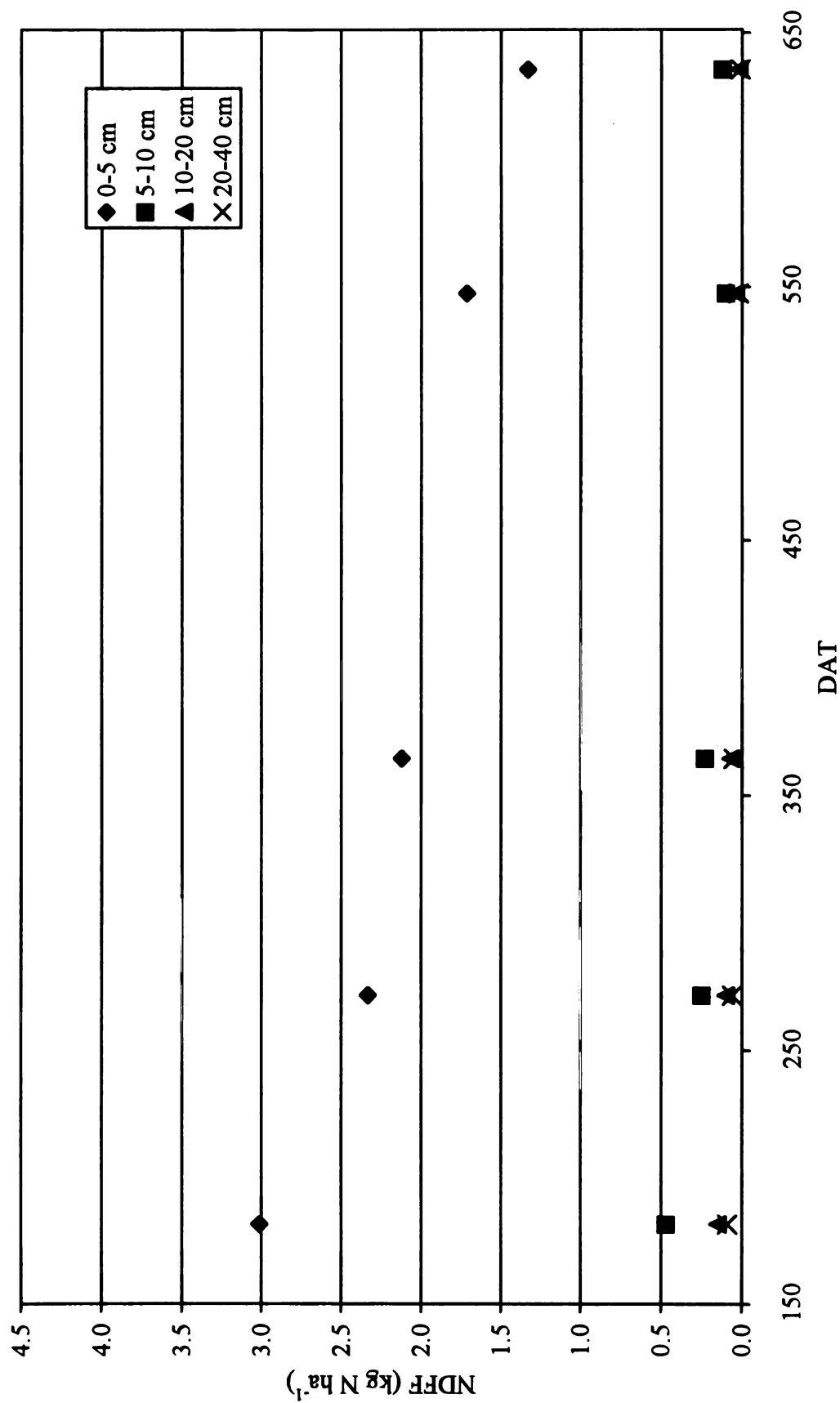


Figure 2. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFR) in Kentucky bluegrass roots for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interaction for the low N rate (98 kg N ha⁻¹).

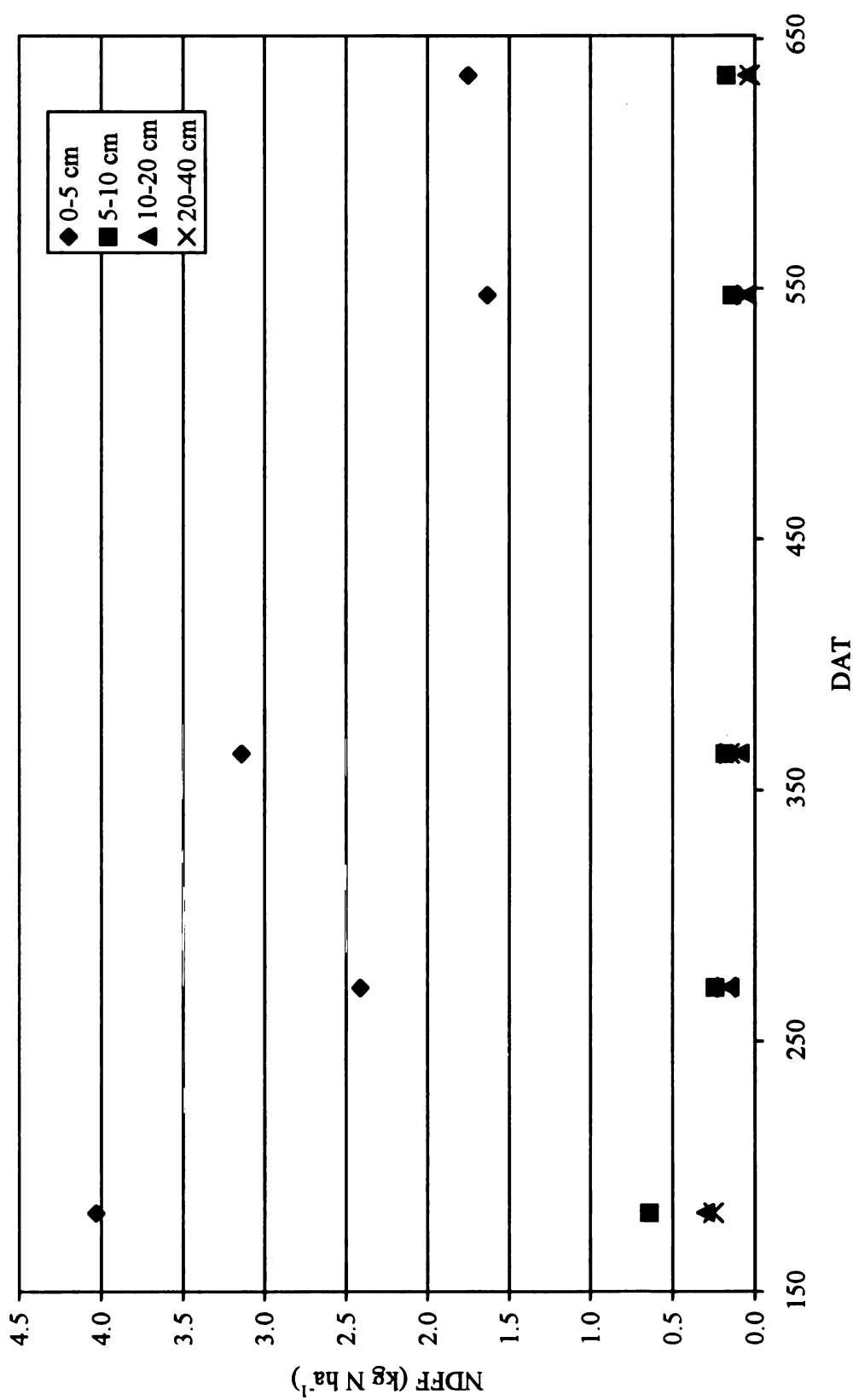


Figure 3. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFR) in Kentucky bluegrass roots for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interaction for the high N rate (245 kg N ha⁻¹).

Table 11. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass roots for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interatction separated by N rate.

Low N Treatment (98 kg N ha ⁻¹)					
Depth	DAT				
	184	274	357	549	637
0-5 cm	3.01A [†] a [‡]	2.33Ba	2.12Ba	1.71Ca	1.33Da
5-10 cm	0.47Ab	0.25Bb	0.23Bb	0.10Cb	0.12Cb
10-20 cm	0.15Ac	0.10Bc	0.07Bc	0.04Cc	0.02Dc
20-40 cm	0.09Ad	0.06Bd	0.05Bd	0.02Cd	0.01Dd

High N Treatment (245 kg N ha ⁻¹)					
Depth	DAT				
	184	274	357	549	637
0-5 cm	4.03A [†] a [‡]	2.41Ca	3.14Ba	1.63Da	1.75Da
5-10 cm	0.64Ab	0.24Bb	0.18Cb	0.14Cb	0.17Cb
10-20 cm	0.30Ac	0.15Bc	0.09Cc	0.05Dc	0.05Dc
20-40 cm	0.25Ac	0.17Bc	0.15Bc	0.05Cc	0.03Dd

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[‡] Means in a column followed by the lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05).

When the amount of NDFF for all root depths was summed, there was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the total amount of NDFF in roots (Table 12). The high N rate had a greater total amount of NDFF in roots than the low N rate on 2 of 5 sampling dates (Table 13). The N rate X DAT interaction showed that Kentucky bluegrass treated at the high N rate had a greater decline in NDFF in roots than at the low N rate. At 184 DAT, the amount of NDFF in roots for the low and high N rates was 3.66 and 5.14 kg N ha⁻¹, respectively. By 637 DAT, the amount of NDFF declined to 1.47 and 2.03 kg N ha⁻¹ for the low and high N rates, respectively. From 184 to 637 DAT, a decrease of 9 and 13% was observed for the low and high N rates, respectively.

Kentucky bluegrass treated at the high N rate had a greater %NRFF in roots than the low N rate on 3 of 5 sampling dates (Table 14). Regardless of N rate, the %NRFF declined significantly from 184 DAT to 637 DAT. At the low N rate the %NRFF decreased from 14.94% at 184 DAT to 5.99% at 637 DAT. At the high N rate the %NRFF decreased from 20.99% to 8.28% from 184 to 637 DAT, respectively. These results were similar to the values reported by Power and Legg (1984), who reported that the %NRFF in roots in a crested wheatgrass (*Agropyron desertorum* (Fisch. Ex Link) Schult.) grassland decreased from 15 to 5% from 1 to 3 years after application, respectively. The authors concluded that some of the applied labeled fertilizer-N initially immobilized in the roots was mineralized and would account for a portion of the cumulative increase of ¹⁵N recovered in the “tops” of the plant.

There was not a significant linear effect for the N rate X DAT interaction for the total amount of NDFF in roots (Figure 4). The negative slope of the regression lines for

Table 12. Analysis of variance table for the total amount of nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass roots.

Source	df	Roots	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	<.0001
DAT [†]	4	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	4	0.0061	0.0061
[†] Days after treatment			

Table 13. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass roots when all depths were totaled for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
184	3.66B [†] a [‡]	5.14Aa
274	2.76Ab	3.00Ac
357	2.49Bbc	3.60Ab
549	1.95Acd	1.93Ad
637	1.47Ad	2.03Ad

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 14. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass roots when all depths were totaled for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
184	14.94B [†] a [‡]	20.99Aa
274	11.25Ab	12.25Ac
357	10.15Bbc	14.69Ab
549	7.95Acd	7.88Ad
637	5.99Bd	8.28Ad

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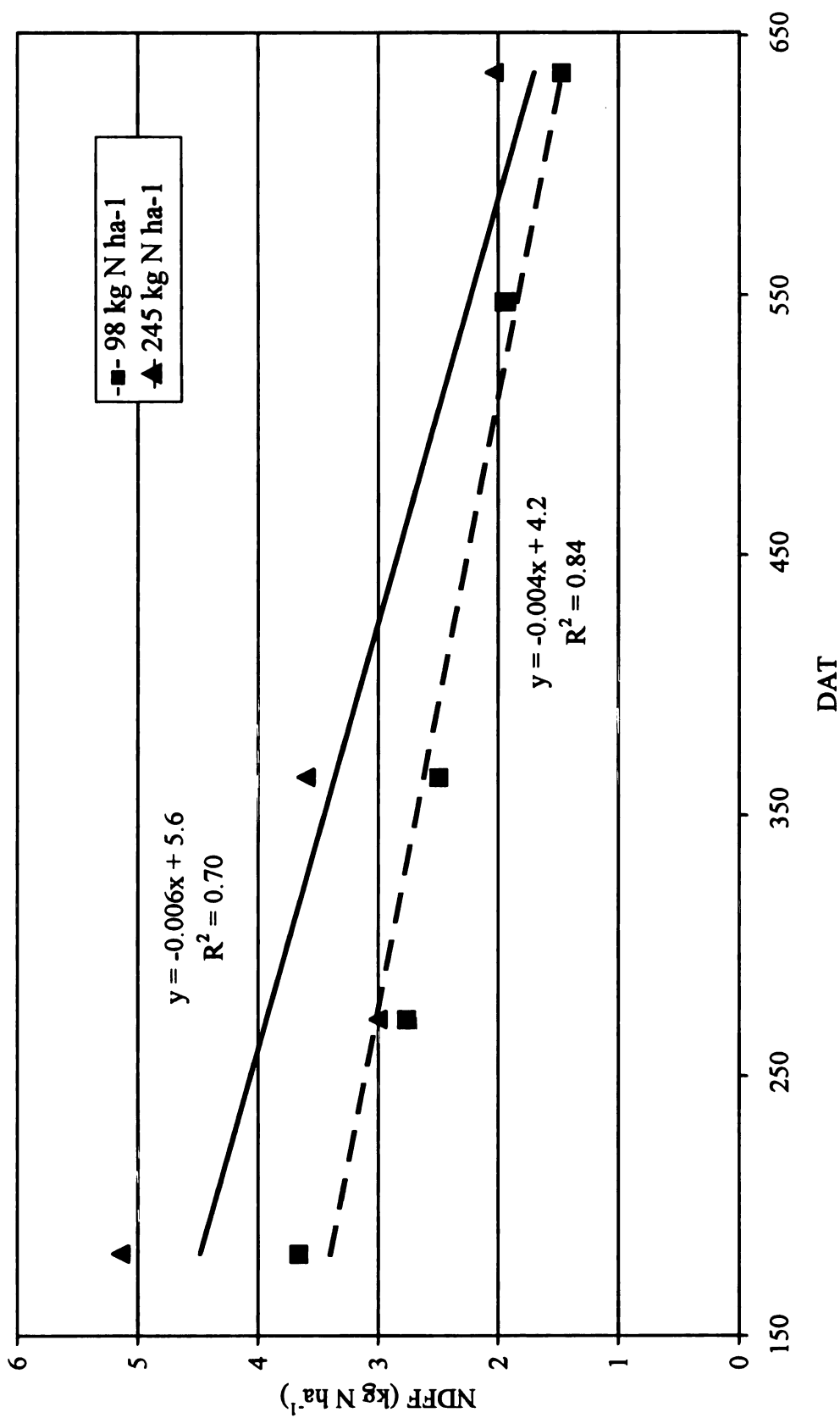


Figure 4. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass roots when all depths were totaled for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

the amount of NDFF in the roots of Kentucky bluegrass, regardless of N rate, indicates that the amount of NDFF in roots decreases over time.

For the current research, regardless of N rate, a greater amount of NDFF was recovered in Kentucky bluegrass roots than reported by Frank (2000). Frank (2000) reported high ^{15}N enrichments in roots, but the amount NDFF ranged between 0.4 and 1.6 kg N ha⁻¹ (0.8 and 4.1 %NRFF). Frank (2000) attributed the low percent recoveries to the low mass of roots on a per hectare basis when compared to soil or thatch. Since mass is used to determine the amount NDFF in a particular component, a substantially smaller mass would yield a smaller amount of NDFF, even if ^{15}N enrichments were high. To a depth of 64 cm, Frank (2000) averaged 6,354 kg roots ha⁻¹, whereas the current research to a depth of 40 cm, regardless of N rate, averaged 16,361 kg roots ha⁻¹. The large difference in root mass on a per hectare basis is the most likely reason higher percent N recoveries were observed for the current research as compared to the Frank (2000) study.

Soil

There was a significant N rate X DAT X depth interaction for the amount of NDFF in soil (Table 15). The 0-5 cm depth, regardless of N rate, had the greatest amount of NDFF (Table 16). The remaining depths, regardless of N rate, revealed no trends (Figures 5 and 6). The total amount of NDFF in soil fluctuated among sampling depths and dates. Miltner et al. (1996) and Frank (2000) noted similar fluctuations and attributed them to mixing procedures and sample variability.

When the amount of NDFF for all soil depths was summed, there was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the total amount of NDFF in soil (Table 17).

Table 15. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) for Kentucky bluegrass soil.

Source	df	Soil	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	<.0001
DAT [†]	6	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	6	<.0001	<.0001
Depth	4	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X Depth	4	<.0001	0.0057
DAT X Depth	24	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT X Depth	24	<.0001	<.0001
† Days after treatment			

Table 16. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass soil for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interaction separated by N rate.

Low N Treatment (98 kg N ha ⁻¹)						
DAT						
Depth	15	45	184	274	357	637
thatch soil [†]	1.09A [†] cd [§]	1.27Aa	1.02Ac	1.34Ac	1.37Ad	1.02Ad
0-5 cm	2.38Cab	1.81Ca	4.41Ba	6.25Aa	7.27Aa	5.73Aa
5-10 cm	0.84Dd	0.89Da	1.94Cb	2.35BCb	2.83Bc	2.64BCb
10-20 cm	1.88Abc	1.23Aa	1.48Abc	1.85Abc	2.37Ac	1.88Ac
20-40 cm	3.40Aa	2.13Ba	1.71Bbc	2.20Bb	3.89Ab	1.50BCd
High N Treatment (245 kg N ha ⁻¹)						
DAT						
Depth	15	45	184	274	357	637
thatch soil	1.66Bd	2.60Aa	1.87Bc	1.73Bc	1.39BCd	1.02CDd
0-5 cm	7.52Ca	3.16Da	6.73Ca	7.38Ca	10.06Ba	10.63Ba
5-10 cm	4.27Ac	1.34Db	2.53BCb	1.86CDc	3.15Bb	3.29Bb
10-20 cm	6.28Ab	1.79Cb	1.87Cc	1.89Cc	3.10Bc	2.03Cc
20-40 cm	6.58Ab	3.44BCa	1.88DEbc	2.75CDb	4.09Bb	0.94EFD

[†] Soil removed from thatch layer

[‡] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[§] Means in a column followed by the lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

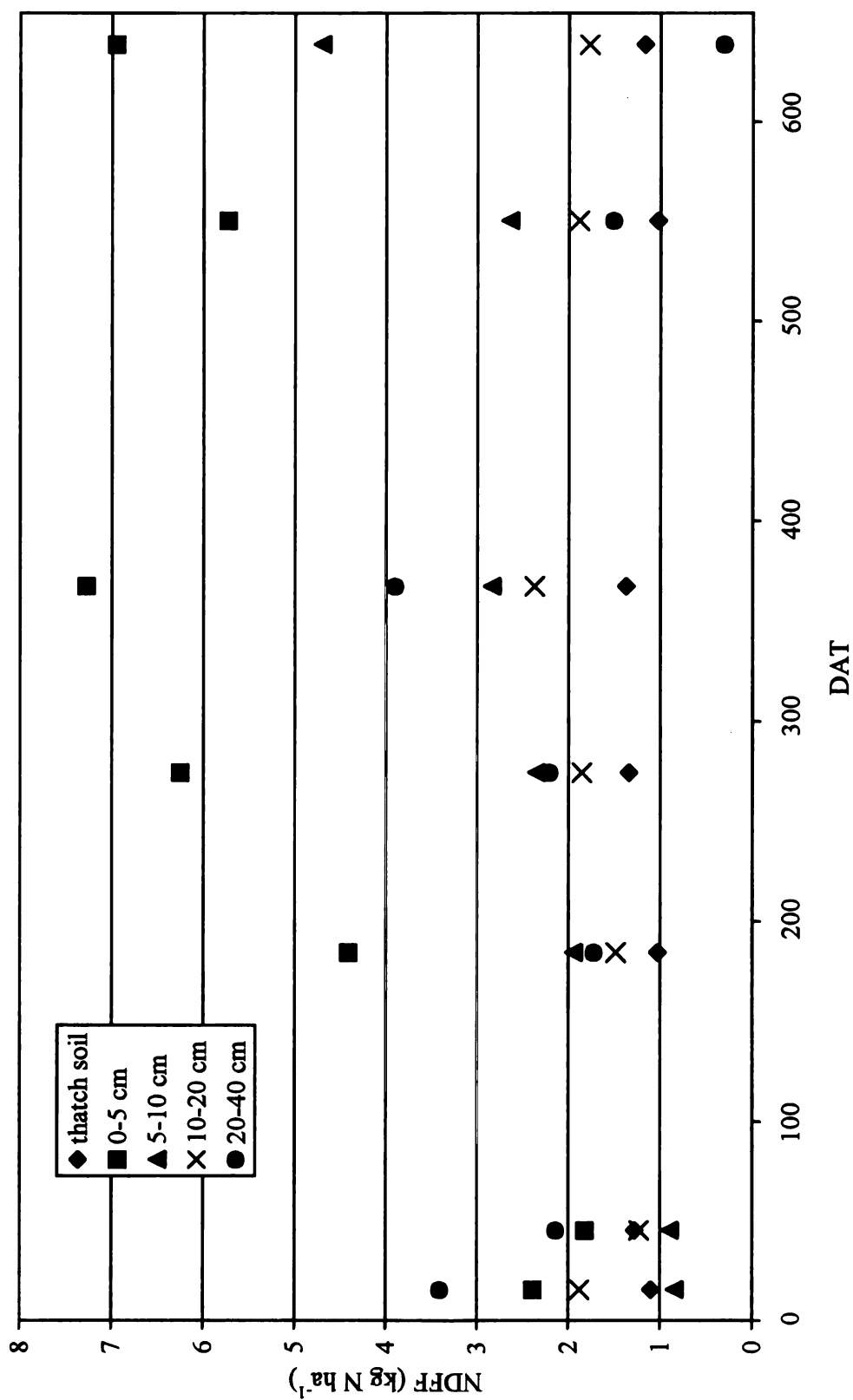


Figure 5. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFE) in Kentucky bluegrass soil for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interaction for the low N rate (98 kg N ha⁻¹).

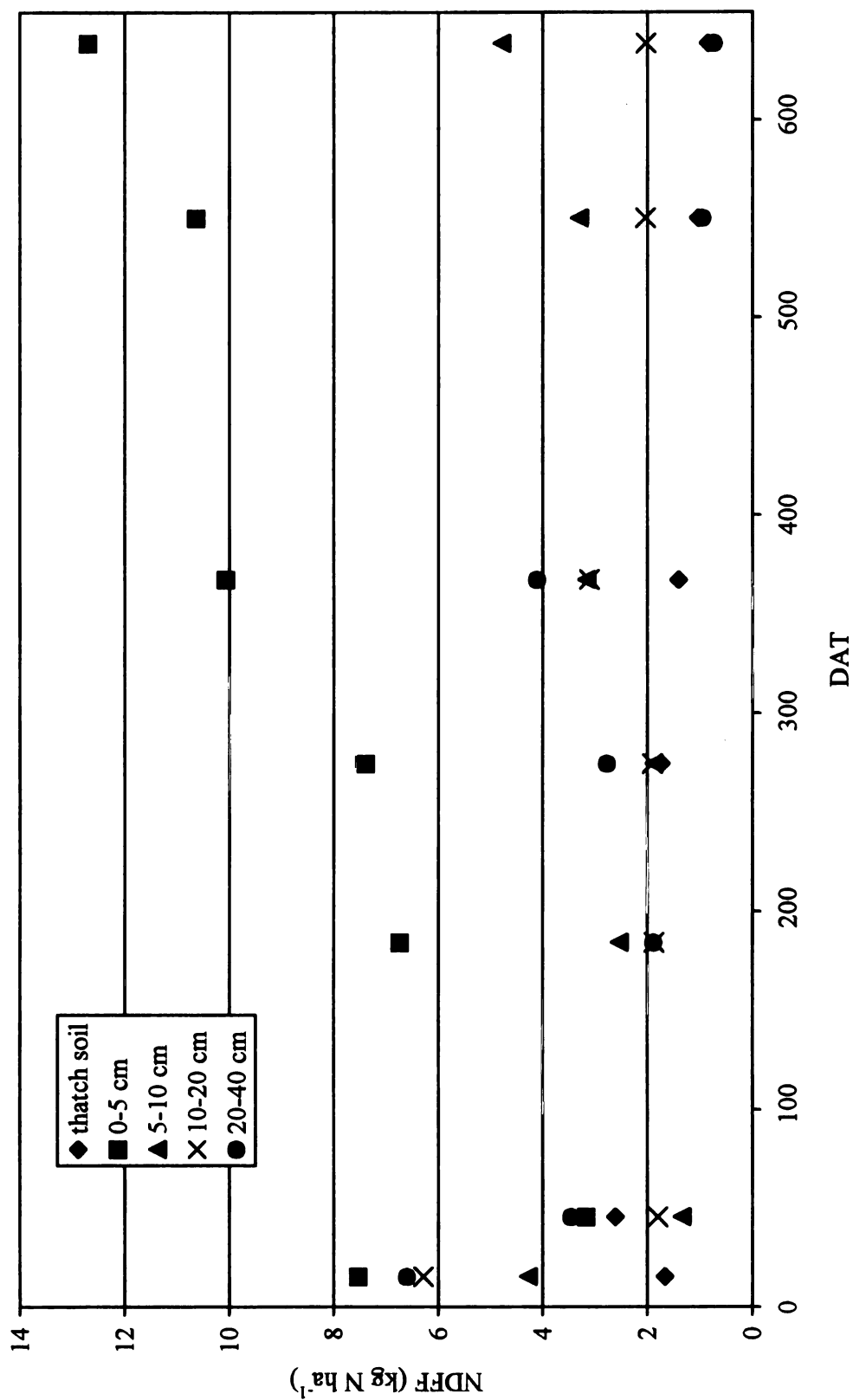


Figure 6. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass soil for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) X depth interaction for the high N rate (245 kg N ha⁻¹).

Table 17. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass soil.

Source	df	Soil	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	<.0001
DAT [†]	6	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	6	<.0001	<.0001
[†] Days after treatment			

The high N rate had a greater total amount of NDFF than the low N rate for all sampling dates, except at 274 DAT where they were not different. The highest observed value was 26.63 kg N ha⁻¹ at 15 DAT for the high N rate (Table 18). With respect to %NRFF, the low N rate usually contained a greater percent of N recovered than the high N rate (Table 19).

The amount of NDFF reported were similar to the values reported by Frank (2000) and greater than the values reported by Miltner et al. (1996), for similar N rates applied to Kentucky bluegrass turf. Miltner et al. (1996) reported %NRFF averaging 15.5% for a fall application of 39.2 kg N ha⁻¹. This value was smaller than the 50.6 and 37.9% averages for the current research at the low and high N rate, respectively. Frank (2000) reported %NRFF in soil averaging 45.4 and 30.2 % for applications of 24.4 and 48.8 kg N ha⁻¹, respectively.

Leachate

Nitrogen Derived From Fertilizer

There was a significant N rate X sampling date interaction for the amount of NDFF in leachate (Table 20). The high N rate had a greater amount of NDFF in leachate than the low N rate on 10 of 39 sampling dates (Table 21). The amount of NDFF in leachate for the low N rate ranged from 0.0003 to 0.0788 kg N ha⁻¹ (0.0014 to 0.3215 %NRFF, Table 22). The amount of NDFF in leachate for the high N rate ranged from 0.0131 to 0.7281 kg N ha⁻¹ (0.0268 to 1.486 %NRFF).

When the amount of NDFF from all sampling dates prior to the corresponding microplot excavation date were summed, there was a significant N rate X DAT

Table 18. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass soil when all depths were totaled for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
15	9.65B [†] de [‡]	26.63Aa
45	7.36Be	12.28Ae
184	10.57Bcd	14.91Ade
274	13.99Aab	15.62Acd
357	16.30Ba	21.77Ab
549	12.58Bbc	17.69Ac
637	16.35Ba	21.05Ab

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 19. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (NDFF) in Kentucky bluegrass soil when all depths were totaled for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
15	39.38B [†] c [‡]	54.35Aa
45	30.03Ad	25.07Ad
184	43.13Ac	30.42Bcd
274	57.08Ab	31.88Bcd
357	66.53Aa	44.42Bb
549	51.35Ab	36.11Bc
637	66.75Aa	42.97Bb

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 20. Analysis of variance table for nitrate-nitrogen (NO₃-N) concentration, ammonium-nitrogen (NH₄-N) concentration, nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF), and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in leachate collected from lysimeters.

Source	df	Pr > F			
		NO ₃ -N	NH ₄ -N	NDFF	%NRFF
N rate	1	0.0030	0.3072	0.0071	0.0085
Date	38	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X Date	38	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001

Table 21. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X sampling date interaction.

Date	N Treatment	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	kg N ha ⁻¹	
11/20/00	0.0018A [†]	0.0131A
1/10/01	0.0038A	0.0586A
2/9/01	0.0117B	0.7281A
2/13/01	0.0061B	0.3675A
3/19/01	0.0049A	0.1111A
3/23/01	0.0007A	0.1366A
4/8/01	0.0788A	0.0519A
4/17/01	0.0012A	0.0463A
4/24/01	0.0027A	0.1138A
5/2/01	0.0012A	0.0812A
5/16/01	0.0131B	0.4128A
5/25/01	0.0015A	0.0378A
5/31/01	0.0026A	0.0863A
6/8/01	0.0030B	0.0909A
6/25/01	0.0003A	0.0640A
8/13/01	0.0008A	0.0304A
10/3/01	0.0034A	0.0329A
10/17/01	0.0274B	0.6341A
10/24/01	0.0074A	0.0918A
10/30/01	0.0125A	0.1264A
11/20/01	0.0022A	0.0276A
12/3/01	0.0066B	0.1977A
12/21/01	0.0102B	0.1908A
1/11/02	0.0094A	0.0896A
2/12/02	0.0088B	0.1536A
3/1/02	0.0148B	0.2786A
3/10/02	0.0107B	0.1751A
3/22/02	0.0072A	0.0808A
4/10/02	0.0060A	0.1140A
5/2/02	0.0056A	0.0770A
5/14/02	0.0053A	0.0655A
5/20/02	0.0035A	0.0772A
6/3/02	0.0045A	0.0920A
6/10/02	0.0058A	0.0678A
7/16/02	0.0131A	0.0826A
7/19/02	0.0040A	0.0602A
7/30/02	0.0049A	0.0804A
8/15/02	0.0054A	0.0452A
12/23/02	0.0044A	0.0210A

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05).

Table 22. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X sampling date interaction.

Date	N Treatment	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	%	
11/20/00	0.0075A [†]	0.0268A
1/10/01	0.0153A	0.1196A
2/9/01	0.0477B	1.4860A
2/13/01	0.0250B	0.7500A
3/19/01	0.0201A	0.2267A
3/23/01	0.0027A	0.2788A
4/8/01	0.3215A	0.1059A
4/17/01	0.0050A	0.0945A
4/24/01	0.0111A	0.2323A
5/2/01	0.0048A	0.1656A
5/16/01	0.0533B	0.8424A
5/25/01	0.0060A	0.0771A
5/31/01	0.0108A	0.1761A
6/8/01	0.0121A	0.1855A
6/25/01	0.0014A	0.1307A
8/13/01	0.0034A	0.0621A
10/3/01	0.0137A	0.0671A
10/17/01	0.1120B	1.2941A
10/24/01	0.0303A	0.1873A
10/30/01	0.0511A	0.2580A
11/20/01	0.0089A	0.0563A
12/3/01	0.0270B	0.4036A
12/21/01	0.0415B	0.3893A
1/11/02	0.0383A	0.1829A
2/12/02	0.0358B	0.3134A
3/1/02	0.0602B	0.5686A
3/10/02	0.0435B	0.3574A
3/22/02	0.0295A	0.1649A
4/10/02	0.0247A	0.2327A
5/2/02	0.0228A	0.1570A
5/14/02	0.0215A	0.1336A
5/20/02	0.0141A	0.1575A
6/3/02	0.0184A	0.1877A
6/10/02	0.0235A	0.1384A
7/16/02	0.0535A	0.1686A
7/19/02	0.0162A	0.1229A
7/30/02	0.0200A	0.1640A
8/15/02	0.0219A	0.0923A
12/23/02	0.0180A	0.0429A

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05).

interaction for the total amount of NDFF in leachate (Table 23). The high N rate had a greater total amount of NDFF in leachate than the low N rate for all sampling dates except the 15 and 45 DAT sampling dates (Table 24). The 15 DAT sampling date occurred on November 1, 2000, whereas the first lysimeter sampling date occurred on November 20, 2000, therefore the total amount of NDFF in leachate was zero for both N rates at 15 DAT due to no sampling dates occurring prior to 15 DAT. At 45 DAT, the total amount of NDFF in leachate was 0.002 and 0.013 kg N ha⁻¹ for the low and high N rates, respectively. The low values observed at 45 DAT can be attributed to only one lysimeter sampling date occurring prior to 45 DAT. At 796 DAT the total amount of NDFF in leachate for the low N rate was 0.32 kg N ha⁻¹. This value was not statistically different from zero and accounted for only 1.3% of N recovered from fertilizer (Table 25). The total amount of NDFF in leachate for the high N rate at 796 DAT was 5.33 kg N ha⁻¹, or 10.9% of N recovered from fertilizer. This illustrates that time is an important factor in moving fertilizer-N into leachate.

There was a significant linear effect for the total amount of NDFF in leachate for the N rate X DAT interaction (Figure 7). The high N rate had a steep positive slope, indicative of a rapid increase in the total amount of NDFF in leachate, over time. The low N rate had a flat slope indicative of little fertilizer-N leaching at this rate.

On the same site as the current research, from 1991 through 1993, Miltner et al. (1996) applied N as urea at 39.2 kg N ha⁻¹ defined by either a spring or fall application schedule. Miltner et al. (1996) reported 0.18% of applied labeled fertilizer-N from a fall application was recovered in leachate. For the current research, the low N rate showed a

Table 23. Analysis of variance table for nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent N recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in leachate from lysimeters.

Source	df	Leachate	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	0.0320	0.0362
DAT [†]	7	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	7	<.0001	<.0001

[†]Days after treatment

Table 24. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
15	0.000A [†] a [‡]	0.000Ae
45	0.002Aa	0.013Ae
184	0.110Ba	1.445Ad
274	0.134Ba	2.268Ac
357	0.139Ba	2.477Ac
549	0.262Ba	4.637Ab
637	0.286Ba	5.016Aab
796	0.316Ba	5.332Aa

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 25. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
15	0.000A [†] a [‡]	0.000Ae
45	0.007Aa	0.027Ae
184	0.449Ba	2.949Ad
274	0.548Ba	4.628Ac
357	0.566Ba	5.054Ac
549	1.069Ba	9.463Ab
637	1.169Ba	10.237Aab
796	1.291Ba	10.882Aa

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

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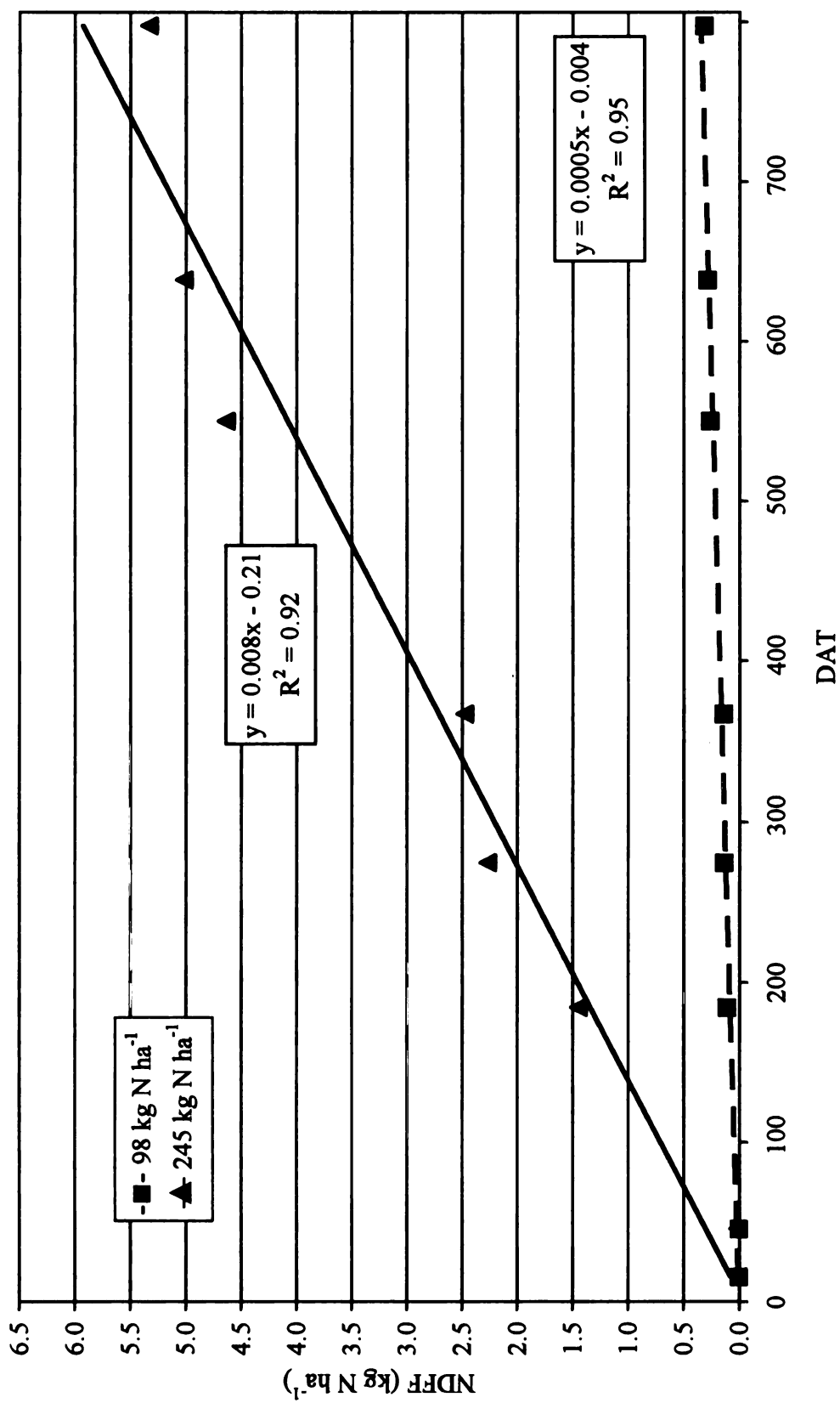


Figure 7. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in leachate from lysimeters by days after treatment (DAT) for the N rate X DAT interaction and regression of NDFF on DAT for each N rate.

similar low amount of NDFF in leachate as reported in the Miltner et al. (1996) study. The high N rate, however, showed different results than the Miltner et al. (1996) study. For the duration of the current research, with a similar N rate, 10.9% of labeled fertilizer-N was recovered in leachate for the high N rate (49 kg N ha⁻¹ rate).

NH₄-N concentration (mg L⁻¹)

There was a significant N rate X sampling date interaction for the concentration of NH₄-N recovered in leachate (Table 20). The high N rate had a greater concentration of NH₄-N than the low N rate on 1 of 39 sampling dates (Table 26). For the remaining 38 sampling dates, the concentration of NH₄-N in leachate was not statistically different between N rates. The largest concentration of NH₄-N was 0.87 mg L⁻¹ at the high N rate, a value 5.5 times greater than the next largest observed value. The remaining concentrations were typically below 0.07 mg NH₄-N L⁻¹, regardless of N rate. Flow-weighted means for the low and high N rates were 0.04 and 0.13 mg NH₄-N L⁻¹, respectively (Table 27). These values were similar to the values reported by Miltner et al. (1996), who reported values for flow-weighted means averaging 0.13 mg L⁻¹. Brown et al. (1982) reported that NH₄-N losses contributed very little of total N losses from putting greens and only occasionally exceeded 1 mg L⁻¹.

NO₃-N concentration (mg L⁻¹)

There was a significant N rate X sampling date interaction for the concentration of NO₃-N recovered in leachate (Table 20). The high N rate had a greater concentration of NO₃-N in leachate than the low N rate on 32 of 39 sampling dates (Table 28). The

Table 26. Ammonium-nitrogen (NH₄-N) concentration (mg L⁻¹) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X sampling date interaction.

Date	N Treatment	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	mg L ⁻¹	
11/20/00	0.07A [†]	0.07A
1/10/01	0.02A	0.02A
2/9/01	0.10B	0.87A
2/13/01	0.02A	0.02A
3/19/01	0.17A	0.18A
3/23/01	0.10A	0.00A
4/8/01	0.02A	0.02A
4/17/01	0.02A	0.02A
4/24/01	0.03A	0.05A
5/2/01	0.00A	0.01A
5/16/01	0.06A	0.03A
5/25/01	0.02A	0.01A
5/31/01	0.08A	0.04A
6/8/01	0.04A	0.05A
6/25/01	0.00A	0.00A
8/13/01	0.08A	0.00A
10/3/01	0.10A	0.00A
10/17/01	0.00A	0.00A
10/24/01	0.00A	0.00A
10/30/01	0.00A	0.00A
11/20/01	0.04A	0.04A
12/3/01	0.08A	0.09A
12/21/01	0.04A	0.07A
1/11/02	0.06A	0.05A
2/12/02	0.06A	0.05A
3/1/02	0.00A	0.01A
3/10/02	0.09A	0.03A
3/22/02	0.02A	0.06A
4/10/02	0.03A	0.05A
5/2/02	0.10A	0.11A
5/14/02	0.08A	0.14A
5/20/02	0.00A	0.00A
6/3/02	0.02A	0.04A
6/10/02	0.04A	0.02A
7/16/02	0.02A	0.03A
7/19/02	0.03A	0.04A
7/30/02	0.02A	0.03A
8/15/02	0.03A	0.03A
12/23/02	0.06A	0.07A

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05).

Table 27. Flow-weighted means of nitrate-nitrogen (NO₃-N) and ammonium-nitrogen (NH₄-N) concentrations in leachate from lysimeters.

N Rate	Nitrate-N	Ammonium-N
	-----mg L ⁻¹ -----	
98 kg N ha ⁻¹	4.12	0.04
245 kg N ha ⁻¹	20.92	0.13

Table 28. Nitrate-nitrogen (NO₃-N) concentration (mg L⁻¹) in leachate from lysimeters for the N rate X sampling date interaction.

Date	N Treatment	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	mg L ⁻¹	
11/20/00	3.01B [†]	12.75A
1/10/01	12.61A	15.88A
2/9/01	3.29B	20.52A
2/13/01	3.76B	21.35A
3/19/01	4.17B	15.57A
3/23/01	4.18B	17.45A
4/8/01	10.28A	11.67A
4/17/01	2.42A	10.73A
4/24/01	4.21B	18.38A
5/2/01	4.23B	18.26A
5/16/01	2.57A	9.66A
5/25/01	2.84A	9.96A
5/31/01	3.09B	12.29A
6/8/01	2.81B	11.99A
6/25/01	2.57B	12.47A
8/13/01	2.53A	8.11A
10/3/01	2.77B	15.07A
10/17/01	4.37B	20.90A
10/24/01	6.88B	28.10A
10/30/01	7.90B	31.08A
11/20/01	3.05A	8.60A
12/3/01	7.64B	25.83A
12/21/01	6.16B	35.37A
1/11/02	7.27B	34.65A
2/12/02	7.34B	38.48A
3/1/02	6.25B	39.51A
3/10/02	5.68B	35.94A
3/22/02	5.40B	29.54A
4/10/02	4.23B	33.14A
5/2/02	3.21B	27.73A
5/14/02	2.95B	26.66A
5/20/02	2.91B	24.43A
6/3/02	3.01B	31.08A
6/10/02	2.97B	23.37A
7/16/02	2.78B	21.88A
7/19/02	3.04B	19.22A
7/30/02	2.20B	19.44A
8/15/02	2.67B	20.25A
12/23/02	3.31B	19.29A

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05).

NO₃-N concentration for the low N rate was less than 5 mg L⁻¹ on 28 of 39 sampling dates, and exceeded the EPA safe drinking water standard of 10 mg L⁻¹ on only two sampling dates. The flow-weighted mean for the low N rate was 4.12 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹ (Table 27). The high N rate exceeded the EPA standard on 35 of 39 sampling dates, and was greater than 20 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹ on 20 sampling dates. On eight sampling dates, the NO₃-N concentration ranged between 30-40 mg L⁻¹. The flow-weighted mean for the high N rate was 20.92 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹, which is double the EPA safe drinking water standard (Table 27).

The findings for the low N rate agree with those of Starr and DeRoo (1981), Morton et al. (1988), and Miltner et al. (1996), who stated the leaching of NO₃-N from turfgrass systems posed little risk to groundwater sources. Duff et al. (1997) reported that NO₃-N concentrations in leachate were not appreciably greater for older turf sites than those reported for younger sites. The findings for the high N rate, however, disagree with the hypothesis that leaching from older turfgrass systems is not a risk to groundwater sources. From 1991 through 1993, on the same site as the current research, Miltner et al. (1996) reported that NO₃-N concentrations in leachate were generally well below 1 mg L⁻¹. For the duration of the current study, with a similar N rate, the concentration of NO₃-N rarely dropped below 20 mg L⁻¹ for the high N rate. These results would support the hypothesis of Porter et al. (1980) that older turf sites should be fertilized at a reduced N rate to minimize the potential for NO₃-N leaching.

Total Nitrogen Recovery

There was a significant N rate X DAT interaction for the total amount of NDFF recovered in Kentucky bluegrass (Table 29). Kentucky bluegrass treated at the high N rate contained a greater total amount of NDFF than at the low N rate on all sampling dates (Table 30). The highest observed value was 39.72 kg N ha⁻¹ at 15 DAT for the high N rate. Soil accounted for the greatest amount of NDFF among the turfgrass, soil, and leachate components, regardless of N rate or sampling date (Table 31). With respect to %NRFF, the two N rates were similar on four of seven sampling dates (Table 32). The high N rate was greater on the 45 and 184 DAT sampling dates, while the low N rate was greater on the 274 DAT sampling date.

The total %NRFF averaged 77.65 and 73.43% for the low and high N rates, respectively. The highest observed percent recovery was 95.53% at 357 DAT for the low N rate. The lowest recoveries were at the 45 DAT sampling date, regardless of N rate. These low recoveries are most likely attributed to missing root data. The average total percent recoveries for the current research were similar to the values reported by Starr and DeRoo (1981), Miltner (1996), and Frank (2000). Total recovery of applied fertilizer-N for these studies ranged from 64 to 90%. These researchers suggested that denitrification and NH₃ volatilization losses were responsible for incomplete recovery of applied ¹⁵N. Substantial losses of N can occur through denitrification. In a greenhouse study, Horgan et al. (2002) compared denitrification losses from bare soil and Kentucky bluegrass. Denitrification losses (N₂ and N₂O) accounted for 7 and 19% of applied labeled fertilizer-N for bare soil and Kentucky bluegrass systems, respectively. Rolston

Table 29. Analysis of variance table nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in all components of Kentucky bluegrass.

Source	df	Total Recovery	
		NDFF	%NRFF
		Pr > F	
N rate	1	<.0001	0.0501
DAT [†]	6	<.0001	<.0001
N rate X DAT	6	<.0001	0.0006

[†]Days after treatment

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Table 30. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) in all components of Kentucky bluegrass for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- kg N ha ⁻¹ -----	
15	15.47B [†] cd [‡]	39.72Aa
45	13.54Bd	28.00Ad
184	22.83Ba	39.30Aa
274	20.19Babc	27.83Ad
357	23.41Ba	36.28Aab
549	17.36Bbc	31.09Acd
637	20.37Bab	33.93Abc

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

Table 31. Nitrogen derived from fertilizer (NDFF) and percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in Kentucky bluegrass components treated at the low and high N rates at all sampling dates.

N Treatment	DAT	Clippings	Verdure	Thatch	Soil [†]	Roots [†]	Leachate	Total [‡]
----- kg N ha ⁻¹ (%) -----								
Low (98 kg N ha ⁻¹)	15	.	3.65 (14.91)	2.17 (8.84)	9.65 (39.38)	.	0.00 (0.00)	15.47 (63.13)
	45	0.29 (1.17)	3.79 (15.49)	2.06 (8.40)	7.36 (30.03)	.	0.002 (0.01)	13.54 (55.28)
	184	0.29 (1.17)	3.66 (14.93)	4.55 (18.55)	10.57 (43.13)	3.66 (14.94)	0.11 (0.45)	22.83 (93.17)
	274	1.23 (5.02)	1.02 (4.15)	1.07 (4.35)	13.99 (57.08)	2.76 (11.25)	0.13 (0.55)	20.19 (82.40)
	357	1.45 (5.93)	0.91 (3.71)	0.86 (3.53)	16.30 (66.53)	2.49 (10.15)	0.14 (0.57)	23.41 (95.53)
	549	1.47 (5.98)	0.47 (1.93)	0.82 (3.34)	12.58 (51.35)	1.95 (7.95)	0.26 (1.07)	17.36 (70.88)
	637	1.73 (7.04)	0.30 (1.21)	0.45 (1.82)	16.35 (66.75)	1.47 (5.99)	0.29 (1.17)	20.37 (83.14)
High (245 kg N ha ⁻¹)	15	.	7.95 (16.22)	5.14 (10.48)	26.63 (54.35)	.	0.00 (0.00)	39.72 (81.06)
	45	0.77 (1.57)	8.34 (17.02)	6.59 (13.46)	12.28 (25.07)	.	0.01 (0.03)	28.00 (57.14)
	184	0.77 (1.57)	10.22 (20.85)	6.81 (13.91)	14.91 (30.42)	5.14 (20.99)	1.45 (2.95)	39.30 (90.96)
	274	3.35 (6.84)	1.66 (3.39)	1.93 (3.93)	15.62 (31.88)	3.00 (12.25)	2.27 (4.63)	27.83 (62.92)
	357	4.34 (8.86)	1.70 (3.48)	2.39 (4.88)	21.77 (44.42)	3.60 (14.69)	2.48 (5.05)	36.28 (81.39)
	549	4.14 (8.45)	1.19 (2.43)	1.50 (3.06)	17.69 (36.11)	1.93 (7.88)	4.64 (9.46)	31.09 (67.39)
	637	4.76 (9.71)	0.52 (1.06)	0.56 (1.13)	21.05 (42.96)	2.03 (8.28)	5.02 (10.24)	33.93 (73.39)

[†] Apparent ¹⁵N values are not equal to the sum of the apparent ¹⁵N recovery values for the depths due to differences in the statistical calculations performed on missing data points.

[‡] Total apparent ¹⁵N values are not equal to the sum of the apparent ¹⁵N recovery values for the components due to differences in the statistical calculations performed on missing data points.

Table 32. Percent nitrogen recovered from fertilizer (%NRFF) in all components of Kentucky bluegrass for the N rate X days after treatment (DAT) interaction.

DAT	N Rate	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
15	63.13B [†] cd [‡]	81.06Aabc
45	55.28Ad	57.14Ae
184	93.17Aab	90.69Aa
274	82.40Ab	62.92Bde
357	95.53Aa	81.39Bab
549	70.88Ac	67.39Ade
637	83.14Ab	73.39Abcd

[†] Means in a row followed by the same capital letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

[‡] Means in a column followed by the same lower case letter are not significantly different according to Fischer's protected LSD (p=0.05)

et al. (1982) found denitrification losses to be greatest following irrigation and from frequently irrigated plots. Mancino et al. (1988) reported little to no denitrification losses when the soil was below 80% saturation in combination with low soil temperatures, however, when saturated soil conditions were combined with high soil temperatures denitrification losses were high. The current research returned 80% evapotranspiration twice a week, which at least temporarily may have created favorable conditions for denitrification losses.

Volatilization losses may also have accounted for incomplete recovery of applied ^{15}N . The thatch layer contains large quantities of urease, increasing volatilization losses. Nelson et al. (1980) reported 5 and 39% of applied N volatilized from Kentucky bluegrass following urea applications when a thatch layer was not present or was present, respectively. Bowman et al. (1987) reported that volatilization losses declined dramatically from Kentucky bluegrass when as little as 1 cm of supplemental irrigation was applied immediately following urea application. Torello et al. (1983) reported that approximately three times as much N was lost from Kentucky bluegrass following an application of solubilized urea as compared to a prilled urea application. The large thatch layer present at the current research site combined with a solubilized urea application may have created a favorable environment for volatilization losses.

CONCLUSIONS

The total %NRFF in Kentucky bluegrass averaged 77.65 and 73.43% for the low and high N rates, respectively. These values are similar to the values reported by Starr and DeRoo (1981), Miltner et al. (1996), and Frank (2000), who reported total %NRFF ranging between 64 to 90%. The majority of applied labeled fertilizer-N was recovered in the soil, averaging 50.61 and 37.89% for the low and high N rates, respectively. Porter et al. (1980) hypothesized that the capacity of the soil to store fertilizer N is a function of the age of the turfgrass and that older turf sites lose the ability to store additional N in the soil. In the current research, however, the %NRFF in the soil was much greater than the values reported by Miltner et al. (1996) from a previous study on the same site 9 years earlier.

The amount of labeled fertilizer-N recovered in leachate from lysimeters treated at the high N rate was greater than expected. From October 17, 2000 through December 23, 2002, a period of 796 days, 1.3 and 10.9% of applied labeled fertilizer-N was recovered in leachate for the low and high N rates, respectively. Flow weighted means for the low and high N rates were 4.12 and 20.92 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹, respectively. The results for the low N rate were similar to the results reported by Miltner et al. (1996) at the same site from 1991-1993, and indicate that at the low N rate the potential for groundwater contamination is minimal. At the high N rate, however, the amount of NDFF and concentration of NO₃-N in leachate were substantially greater than the values reported by Miltner et al. (1996). At the high N rate the NO₃-N concentration in leachate was typically two or more times greater than the EPA safe drinking water standard of 10 mg NO₃-N L⁻¹. These results indicate that urea applied at the low N rate (98 kg N ha⁻¹;

24.5 kg N ha⁻¹ application⁻¹) to Kentucky bluegrass is a more appropriate than the high N rate (245 kg N ha⁻¹; 49 kg N ha⁻¹ application⁻¹). This research indicates that single dose, high rate N applications using a water-soluble N source, such as urea, should be avoided to help minimize the potential for NO₃-N leaching. Future research into the fate of N applied to mature turf stands should determine if:

- 1) NO₃-N concentrations in leachate continue to increase as the age of the turfstand increases
- 2) the soil does lose the ability to store additional fertilizer-N as it increases in age
- 3) reducing the N rate would lower the NO₃-N concentrations in leachate.

APPENDIX

Table 1A. Mean organic matter concentration (%) of experimental soil.

Depth (cm)	N Treatment	
	98 kg N ha ⁻¹	245 kg N ha ⁻¹
	----- % -----	
0-5	5.7	5.3
5-10	3.0	2.5

Table 2A. Chemical and physical characteristics of experimental soil.

Characteristics	Marlette
Textural Class	fine sandy loam
Taxonomy	Fine-loamy, mixed mesic Glossoboric Hapludalfs
Soil Partical Size	
Sand (%)	65.9
Silt (%)	22.7
Clay (%)	11.4
Bulk Densities (g cm ⁻³)	
0-10 cm	1.14
10-20 cm	1.54
20-40 cm	1.58
pH	7.4
Phosphorus (ppm)	17
Potassium (ppm)	78
Calcium (ppm)	1320
Magnesium (ppm)	330
Cation Exchange Capacity (me/ 100 g)	9.5

Table 3A. Weather and irrigation data for the lysimeter plot area, Hancock Turfgrass Research Center, East Lansing, MI (October 17, 2000 - 2002).
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DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
10/17/2000	17.3	7.6	----	----	0.50
10/18/2000	18.7	5.5	----	----	----
10/19/2000	21.3	3.4	----	----	----
10/20/2000	23.4	10.3	----	----	----
10/21/2000	20.5	8.2	----	----	----
10/22/2000	20.1	5.4	----	----	----
10/23/2000	18.9	8.7	----	4.57	----
10/24/2000	18.1	14.8	----	12.70	----
10/25/2000	19.2	13.0	----	----	----
10/26/2000	23.3	14.3	----	----	----
10/27/2000	22.5	9.2	----	6.86	----
10/28/2000	10.6	0.9	----	----	----
10/29/2000	13.3	-2.7	----	----	----
10/30/2000	17.1	-2.2	----	----	----
10/31/2000	18.1	-1.3	----	----	----
11/1/2000	19.1	5.2	----	----	----
11/2/2000	20.5	8.9	----	----	----
11/3/2000	16.1	4.3	----	----	----
11/4/2000	11.2	-0.6	----	----	----
11/5/2000	15.4	-0.6	----	----	----
11/6/2000	12.8	0.4	----	----	----
11/7/2000	13.6	7.0	----	2.03	----
11/8/2000	14.0	5.2	----	----	----
11/9/2000	16.4	6.6	----	14.73	----
11/10/2000	9.3	3.4	----	1.02	----
11/11/2000	6.5	3.1	----	----	----
11/12/2000	5.4	3.1	----	----	----
11/13/2000	5.6	-0.5	----	13.72	----
11/14/2000	2.6	-1.6	----	1.27	----
11/15/2000	2.6	-1.1	----	3.81	----
11/16/2000	5.6	0.2	----	0.51	----
11/17/2000	2.3	-2.3	----	----	----
11/18/2000	-0.5	-3.2	----	0.25	----
11/19/2000	3.3	-2.5	----	----	----

[†] Evapotranspiration

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
11/20/2000	1.6	-4.4	----	----	----
11/21/2000	-2.5	-7.5	----	----	----
11/22/2000	-2.4	-11.2	----	----	----
11/23/2000	-2.0	-11.6	----	----	----
11/24/2000	3.4	-8.7	----	----	----
11/25/2000	5.4	-4.1	----	1.52	----
11/26/2000	7.4	3.7	----	7.62	----
11/27/2000	5.4	1.2	----	0.25	----
11/28/2000	2.5	-1.5	----	0.76	----
11/29/2000	1.2	-2.3	----	1.78	----
11/30/2000	2.1	-0.4	----	3.30	----
12/1/2000	0.1	-5.3	----	----	----
12/2/2000	-0.1	-9.2	----	----	----
12/3/2000	1.9	-11.5	----	----	----
12/4/2000	1.1	-6.6	----	----	----
12/5/2000	1.0	-11.7	----	----	----
12/6/2000	-6.5	-12.6	----	----	----
12/7/2000	-5.9	-10.4	----	----	----
12/8/2000	-3.5	-13.6	----	0.25	----
12/9/2000	-3.1	-16.2	----	----	----
12/10/2000	0.4	-5.7	----	----	----
12/11/2000	-1.6	-7.2	----	----	----
12/12/2000	-5.1	-11.9	----	----	----
12/13/2000	-7.3	-19.1	----	----	----
12/14/2000	-4.7	-10.8	----	----	----
12/15/2000	-3.2	-12.1	----	----	----
12/16/2000	3.6	-3.3	----	11.43	----
12/17/2000	0.7	-14.5	----	----	----
12/18/2000	-11.4	-17.4	----	----	----
12/19/2000	-9.0	-17.4	----	----	----
12/20/2000	-5.8	-17.6	----	----	----
12/21/2000	-5.2	-19.2	----	----	----
12/22/2000	-13.7	-21.9	----	----	----
12/23/2000	-7.3	-17.6	----	----	----
12/24/2000	-5.7	-15.9	----	----	----
12/25/2000	-7.5	-25.9	----	----	----
12/26/2000	-6.4	-12.2	----	----	----
12/27/2000	-6.9	-16.7	----	----	----
12/28/2000	-8.3	-21.0	----	----	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
12/29/2000	-4.6	-13.7	----	----	----
12/30/2000	-3.6	-9.4	----	----	----
12/31/2000	-1.4	-11.1	----	0.25	----
1/1/2001	-4.3	-19.6	----	----	----
1/2/2001	-3.3	-22.8	----	----	----
1/3/2001	-3.9	-13.9	----	----	----
1/4/2001	-2.7	-6.5	----	----	----
1/5/2001	2.2	-3.3	----	1.78	----
1/6/2001	0.2	-3.1	----	----	----
1/7/2001	1.0	-4.3	----	----	----
1/8/2001	-4.0	-17.8	----	----	----
1/9/2001	-1.9	-19.6	----	----	----
1/10/2001	2.4	-6.7	----	----	----
1/11/2001	4.3	-4.5	----	----	----
1/12/2001	3.6	-1.5	----	----	----
1/13/2001	1.3	-1.3	----	----	----
1/14/2001	2.3	-2.4	----	----	----
1/15/2001	2.5	0.4	----	0.25	----
1/16/2001	1.4	-1.4	----	----	----
1/17/2001	-0.7	-3.5	----	----	----
1/18/2001	-1.6	-5.1	----	----	----
1/19/2001	-2.0	-13.3	----	----	----
1/20/2001	-3.9	-17.8	----	----	----
1/21/2001	-3.7	-12.0	----	----	----
1/22/2001	-0.2	-9.5	----	----	----
1/23/2001	1.1	-3.0	----	----	----
1/24/2001	1.0	-6.4	----	----	----
1/25/2001	-2.1	-8.0	----	----	----
1/26/2001	-1.7	-9.5	----	----	----
1/27/2001	-2.3	-9.4	----	----	----
1/28/2001	-3.7	-9.5	----	----	----
1/29/2001	2.1	-10.2	----	6.10	----
1/30/2001	6.0	-0.1	----	6.35	----
1/31/2001	2.5	-0.2	----	4.06	----
2/1/2001	0.8	-3.3	----	----	----
2/2/2001	-3.2	-11.3	----	----	----
2/3/2001	-3.9	-13.1	----	----	----
2/4/2001	1.8	-4.1	----	1.02	----
2/5/2001	1.3	-2.9	----	1.27	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
2/6/2001	-0.4	-3.1	----	0.25	----
2/7/2001	2.0	-8.9	----	----	----
2/8/2001	6.6	-1.9	----	5.33	----
2/9/2001	10.7	-4.8	----	27.43	----
2/10/2001	-4.2	-9.8	----	----	----
2/11/2001	-4.9	-13.5	----	----	----
2/12/2001	2.5	-7.8	----	----	----
2/13/2001	1.4	0.0	----	----	----
2/14/2001	2.2	-3.3	----	3.56	----
2/15/2001	-1.7	-6.1	----	----	----
2/16/2001	-0.4	-7.2	----	0.51	----
2/17/2001	-6.9	-11.9	----	----	----
2/18/2001	-3.3	-12.1	----	----	----
2/19/2001	3.2	-5.5	----	----	----
2/20/2001	2.3	-5.7	----	----	----
2/21/2001	-5.7	-12.1	----	----	----
2/22/2001	-2.1	-12.8	----	----	----
2/23/2001	-0.7	-5.9	----	----	----
2/24/2001	2.4	-5.3	----	24.64	----
2/25/2001	11.5	-1.1	----	5.33	----
2/26/2001	3.4	-1.4	----	----	----
2/27/2001	0.0	-8.4	----	----	----
2/28/2001	-2.0	-10.0	----	----	----
3/1/2001	4.4	-6.8	----	----	----
3/2/2001	3.6	-1.6	----	----	----
3/3/2001	8.4	-5.6	----	----	----
3/4/2001	1.5	-5.3	----	----	----
3/5/2001	-3.6	-7.9	----	----	----
3/6/2001	-0.3	-6.9	----	0.25	----
3/7/2001	4.1	-3.1	----	----	----
3/8/2001	1.6	-3.5	----	----	----
3/9/2001	-0.6	-5.1	----	0.25	----
3/10/2001	6.0	-8.5	----	----	----
3/11/2001	4.9	-2.8	----	1.52	----
3/12/2001	4.5	-4.6	----	0.51	----
3/13/2001	5.4	-0.2	----	0.76	----
3/14/2001	9.3	-0.0	----	----	----
3/15/2001	5.0	-0.0	----	2.03	----
3/16/2001	2.8	-2.1	----	0.25	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
3/17/2001	3.0	-4.1	----	----	----
3/18/2001	8.5	-7.3	----	----	----
3/19/2001	9.5	-6.1	----	----	----
3/20/2001	12.5	-1.3	----	----	----
3/21/2001	13.2	-3.9	----	----	----
3/22/2001	12.8	-2.5	----	----	----
3/23/2001	10.8	-1.0	----	----	----
3/24/2001	1.8	-6.1	----	0.25	----
3/25/2001	-4.3	-12.2	----	0.25	----
3/26/2001	-2.1	-14.5	----	----	----
3/27/2001	1.2	-9.2	----	----	----
3/28/2001	7.6	-7.8	----	----	----
3/29/2001	7.8	0.9	----	----	----
3/30/2001	9.8	0.6	----	----	----
3/31/2001	11.4	0.8	----	----	----
4/1/2001	3.1	-0.2	0.02	6.10	----
4/2/2001	12.0	-3.1	0.09	----	----
4/3/2001	10.4	1.5	0.06	0.25	----
4/4/2001	13.5	-3.2	0.08	----	----
4/5/2001	16.2	-2.2	0.09	----	----
4/6/2001	18.4	7.0	0.03	12.19	----
4/7/2001	24.7	7.1	0.09	2.29	----
4/8/2001	21.9	11.3	0.21	----	----
4/9/2001	11.8	4.3	0.10	5.59	----
4/10/2001	11.2	4.1	0.04	----	----
4/11/2001	19.6	8.1	0.05	----	----
4/12/2001	21.5	8.6	0.10	----	----
4/13/2001	15.7	4.4	0.14	----	----
4/14/2001	16.7	-1.0	0.06	----	----
4/15/2001	10.2	2.2	0.07	----	----
4/16/2001	5.9	-1.7	0.06	----	----
4/17/2001	8.1	-3.0	0.09	0.51	----
4/18/2001	11.0	-1.5	0.12	----	----
4/19/2001	15.4	-3.3	0.10	----	----
4/20/2001	12.7	7.9	0.07	10.41	----
4/21/2001	23.2	12.5	0.08	12.45	----
4/22/2001	19.8	8.9	0.08	10.67	----
4/23/2001	24.5	8.8	0.14	10.92	----
4/24/2001	12.7	2.8	0.15	0.25	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
4/25/2001	16.6	0.6	0.10	----	----
4/26/2001	20.3	5.4	0.16	0.25	----
4/27/2001	17.7	8.8	0.14	0.25	----
4/28/2001	16.9	0.7	0.12	----	----
4/29/2001	19.4	2.2	0.14	----	0.38
4/30/2001	27.3	5.8	0.18	----	----
5/1/2001	26.5	15.3	0.18	----	----
5/2/2001	27.9	16.8	0.17	----	0.69
5/3/2001	28.6	16.7	0.00	----	----
5/4/2001	24.7	11.9	0.00	0.51	----
5/5/2001	20.1	10.0	0.00	----	----
5/6/2001	21.3	9.4	0.18	----	----
5/7/2001	25.8	11.9	0.16	10.92	0.50
5/8/2001	24.6	10.8	0.13	1.52	----
5/9/2001	25.3	11.9	0.17	----	----
5/10/2001	25.8	14.8	0.12	4.57	----
5/11/2001	19.3	9.2	0.05	4.83	----
5/12/2001	15.8	5.0	0.00	----	----
5/13/2001	19.1	1.2	0.12	----	----
5/14/2001	19.3	4.0	0.09	0.25	----
5/15/2001	15.7	11.2	0.02	54.10	----
5/16/2001	20.3	11.9	0.06	33.02	----
5/17/2001	28.1	15.9	0.13	----	----
5/18/2001	24.3	12.1	0.14	----	----
5/19/2001	24.4	9.1	0.17	----	----
5/20/2001	24.4	10.1	0.14	----	----
5/21/2001	23.5	14.2	0.06	1.02	----
5/22/2001	17.9	8.1	0.13	----	----
5/23/2001	18.5	7.1	0.10	----	----
5/24/2001	15.3	7.7	0.05	2.03	----
5/25/2001	17.5	5.4	0.07	8.38	----
5/26/2001	17.0	7.3	0.08	4.32	----
5/27/2001	12.9	10.0	0.03	16.00	----
5/28/2001	21.0	9.6	0.10	3.30	----
5/29/2001	18.5	9.5	0.09	----	----
5/30/2001	18.3	3.2	0.14	----	----
5/31/2001	19.8	2.7	0.10	----	----
6/1/2001	14.2	8.7	0.09	7.37	----
6/2/2001	17.6	8.1	0.07	14.99	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
6/3/2001	16.2	7.8	0.06	----	----
6/4/2001	18.5	9.4	0.08	----	0.50
6/5/2001	17.9	6.4	0.06	0.25	----
6/6/2001	16.0	12.1	0.04	1.02	----
6/7/2001	22.4	8.7	0.13	----	----
6/8/2001	25.0	7.5	0.14	----	----
6/9/2001	25.6	8.8	0.15	----	----
6/10/2001	26.3	12.7	0.13	4.06	----
6/11/2001	28.2	16.9	0.14	1.02	----
6/12/2001	28.1	17.9	0.15	3.81	----
6/13/2001	32.7	16.3	0.16	----	0.41
6/14/2001	32.4	24.4	0.18	----	----
6/15/2001	31.6	17.8	0.15	21.08	0.41
6/16/2001	26.5	14.0	0.14	0.25	----
6/17/2001	26.9	14.6	0.18	----	----
6/18/2001	28.7	15.2	0.14	5.59	----
6/19/2001	29.3	21.6	0.20	----	----
6/20/2001	24.9	14.7	0.15	----	----
6/21/2001	18.5	12.6	0.04	19.81	----
6/22/2001	23.9	13.1	0.14	5.59	----
6/23/2001	25.5	12.3	0.12	----	----
6/24/2001	27.1	11.4	0.17	----	----
6/25/2001	28.6	12.3	0.16	----	----
6/26/2001	28.6	13.5	0.17	----	----
6/27/2001	29.9	16.1	0.16	----	0.84
6/28/2001	30.8	18.5	0.17	----	----
6/29/2001	29.7	16.5	0.15	----	0.84
6/30/2001	29.8	17.8	0.15	----	----
7/1/2001	24.7	9.6	0.15	----	----
7/2/2001	21.5	4.0	0.16	----	----
7/3/2001	22.6	13.1	0.10	0.76	0.50
7/4/2001	28.0	14.7	0.14	----	----
7/5/2001	22.4	11.0	0.18	----	1.27
7/6/2001	24.7	5.7	0.15	----	----
7/7/2001	24.9	14.4	0.10	0.25	----
7/8/2001	31.3	19.1	0.17	----	----
7/9/2001	31.6	16.8	0.15	----	1.14
7/10/2001	31.1	19.1	0.17	1.27	----
7/11/2001	24.9	13.7	0.22	----	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
7/12/2001	25.8	12.5	0.14	----	1.37
7/13/2001	25.9	9.1	0.17	----	----
7/14/2001	28.8	9.1	0.18	----	----
7/15/2001	30.9	11.4	0.14	----	----
7/16/2001	30.6	14.3	0.15	----	1.65
7/17/2001	29.7	15.5	0.11	0.51	----
7/18/2001	30.2	16.2	0.12	0.25	----
7/19/2001	31.0	16.1	0.14	----	0.94
7/20/2001	32.6	17.6	0.15	----	----
7/21/2001	28.6	20.5	0.12	4.06	----
7/22/2001	32.6	19.4	0.15	----	----
7/23/2001	28.4	22.2	0.09	1.02	0.94
7/24/2001	31.8	21.1	0.14	----	----
7/25/2001	23.4	16.9	0.09	7.11	----
7/26/2001	25.2	13.5	0.14	----	0.84
7/27/2001	25.8	8.9	0.16	----	----
7/28/2001	28.6	10.6	0.14	----	----
7/29/2001	30.6	17.0	0.13	8.64	----
7/30/2001	29.3	16.5	0.14	----	----
7/31/2001	31.9	18.9	0.14	----	----
8/1/2001	32.0	19.7	0.14	----	0.84
8/2/2001	29.0	22.1	0.09	----	----
8/3/2001	30.0	18.5	0.15	----	----
8/4/2001	30.8	14.6	0.16	----	----
8/5/2001	32.9	14.6	0.16	----	----
8/6/2001	32.8	15.7	0.17	----	2.54
8/7/2001	33.6	21.9	0.16	----	----
8/8/2001	35.4	19.7	0.16	----	0.84
8/9/2001	33.0	20.4	0.15	4.83	----
8/10/2001	26.4	15.3	0.18	0.51	----
8/11/2001	28.2	12.3	0.14	----	----
8/12/2001	28.4	14.9	0.11	----	----
8/13/2001	26.1	14.1	0.15	----	1.17
8/14/2001	25.9	8.9	0.14	----	----
8/15/2001	27.0	9.5	0.13	----	----
8/16/2001	21.9	16.3	0.05	16.26	----
8/17/2001	22.4	14.5	0.07	----	----
8/18/2001	25.1	14.3	0.08	3.30	----
8/19/2001	22.4	16.2	0.06	2.54	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
8/20/2001	25.3	15.4	0.11	----	----
8/21/2001	26.6	9.7	0.11	----	----
8/22/2001	21.4	15.5	0.05	12.70	----
8/23/2001	26.6	18.1	0.06	----	----
8/24/2001	26.4	17.7	0.10	----	----
8/25/2001	25.9	17.9	0.06	----	----
8/26/2001	26.8	17.1	0.08	----	----
8/27/2001	28.2	13.1	0.12	----	----
8/28/2001	26.2	13.4	0.14	0.76	0.66
8/29/2001	27.2	10.2	0.12	----	----
8/30/2001	29.2	13.2	0.14	----	----
8/31/2001	25.4	12.9	0.11	----	----
9/1/2001	22.1	6.4	0.13	----	----
9/2/2001	25.2	6.8	0.12	----	----
9/3/2001	28.2	12.8	0.12	----	----
9/4/2001	23.0	10.8	0.13	----	1.91
9/5/2001	25.0	7.5	0.11	----	----
9/6/2001	27.8	8.7	0.11	----	0.69
9/7/2001	30.6	18.0	0.13	3.56	----
9/8/2001	28.5	18.7	0.10	10.16	----
9/9/2001	25.4	15.4	0.06	17.53	----
9/10/2001	22.9	12.3	0.11	----	----
9/11/2001	23.9	9.4	0.10	----	----
9/12/2001	26.9	10.2	0.12	----	----
9/13/2001	18.7	8.1	0.09	2.03	0.50
9/14/2001	17.7	4.8	0.08	----	----
9/15/2001	18.8	5.0	0.07	----	----
9/16/2001	22.0	4.8	0.09	----	----
9/17/2001	22.1	7.0	0.06	----	----
9/18/2001	23.6	10.6	0.06	----	----
9/19/2001	19.8	14.5	0.02	23.11	----
9/20/2001	19.1	12.2	0.06	3.81	----
9/21/2001	19.8	11.1	0.04	19.30	----
9/22/2001	21.7	8.3	0.06	----	----
9/23/2001	22.0	10.0	0.05	13.97	----
9/24/2001	14.7	5.8	0.07	0.51	----
9/25/2001	6.6	3.6	0.03	6.10	----
9/26/2001	10.5	4.8	0.02	2.03	----
9/27/2001	14.5	7.2	0.06	----	----

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9/28/2001	15.4	8.2	0.04	----	----
9/29/2001	19.8	3.9	0.07	----	----
9/30/2001	21.9	1.8	0.00	----	----
10/1/2001	22.6	5.6	0.06	----	----
10/2/2001	24.4	7.5	0.08	----	----
10/3/2001	25.7	15.1	0.13	----	----
10/4/2001	16.1	8.8	0.06	12.45	----
10/5/2001	9.7	6.0	0.02	19.05	----
10/6/2001	8.4	1.4	0.05	0.25	----
10/7/2001	9.7	-2.5	0.04	----	----
10/8/2001	14.3	-3.1	0.06	----	0.50
10/9/2001	21.3	7.4	0.10	----	----
10/10/2001	18.5	11.9	0.06	1.02	----
10/11/2001	17.3	10.8	0.02	0.76	----
10/12/2001	18.2	10.7	0.02	17.02	----
10/13/2001	21.3	11.4	0.04	1.02	----
10/14/2001	20.6	7.8	0.02	13.46	----
10/15/2001	13.9	6.1	0.05	0.25	----
10/16/2001	8.7	4.2	0.02	41.15	----
10/17/2001	9.4	-1.1	0.05	----	----
10/18/2001	15.3	-2.2	0.06	----	----
10/19/2001	14.6	2.8	0.06	----	----
10/20/2001	18.9	5.3	----	----	----
10/21/2001	17.7	5.4	0.05	----	----
10/22/2001	18.5	4.4	0.05	2.79	----
10/23/2001	18.6	11.9	0.03	4.83	----
10/24/2001	21.2	8.5	0.04	13.72	----
10/25/2001	9.2	0.9	0.12	2.03	----
10/26/2001	5.2	0.8	0.02	4.57	----
10/27/2001	4.7	0.4	0.02	----	----
10/28/2001	10.4	-3.7	0.04	----	----
10/29/2001	13.2	4.2	0.06	----	----
10/30/2001	8.4	2.3	0.03	1.52	----
10/31/2001	19.3	5.0	0.06	0.76	----
11/1/2001	18.3	12.1	0.10	----	----
11/2/2001	17.8	7.9	0.04	11.94	----
11/3/2001	14.9	3.4	0.06	----	----
11/4/2001	14.5	3.6	0.06	----	----
11/5/2001	9.6	-2.5	0.04	----	----

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11/6/2001	15.6	-2.6	0.05	----	----
11/7/2001	16.3	8.4	0.06	----	----
11/8/2001	14.7	2.0	0.03	2.29	----
11/9/2001	10.2	-2.8	0.03	----	----
11/10/2001	12.8	2.7	0.06	----	----
11/11/2001	6.4	-3.1	0.06	----	----
11/12/2001	11.5	-4.5	0.03	6.35	----
11/13/2001	15.9	1.7	0.05	----	----
11/14/2001	14.7	10.1	0.04	0.25	----
11/15/2001	18.0	10.7	0.03	7.62	----
11/16/2001	15.8	2.9	0.03	----	----
11/17/2001	16.3	0.8	0.03	0.25	----
11/18/2001	16.2	4.6	0.02	----	----
11/19/2001	14.1	1.4	0.01	3.56	----
11/20/2001	5.4	-1.0	0.02	----	----
11/21/2001	9.9	-0.2	0.04	----	----
11/22/2001	13.5	-1.2	0.03	----	----
11/23/2001	16.1	1.0	0.05	----	----
11/24/2001	17.1	11.2	0.09	12.70	----
11/25/2001	13.3	5.2	0.05	0.51	----
11/26/2001	7.7	4.7	0.02	----	----
11/27/2001	12.9	4.2	0.02	2.03	----
11/28/2001	5.0	3.0	0.03	1.02	----
11/29/2001	6.0	3.2	0.00	9.65	----
11/30/2001	11.5	4.1	0.01	12.70	----
12/1/2001	6.5	1.4	----	0.51	----
12/2/2001	8.6	0.0	----	----	----
12/3/2001	13.1	5.2	----	----	----
12/4/2001	15.2	9.1	----	0.51	----
12/5/2001	20.7	12.1	----	----	----
12/6/2001	15.8	-0.8	----	0.51	----
12/7/2001	4.8	-1.3	----	----	----
12/8/2001	4.9	-0.2	----	1.27	----
12/9/2001	4.7	-1.8	----	----	----
12/10/2001	7.9	-3.7	----	----	----
12/11/2001	9.7	-4.4	----	----	----
12/12/2001	8.1	1.0	----	5.59	----
12/13/2001	8.9	4.4	----	0.51	----
12/14/2001	4.8	-0.2	----	7.62	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
12/15/2001	0.6	-1.7	----	4.32	----
12/16/2001	5.6	-0.2	----	0.76	----
12/17/2001	5.7	3.5	----	4.32	----
12/18/2001	7.2	1.9	----	----	----
12/19/2001	4.0	-1.5	----	4.06	----
12/20/2001	2.7	-3.1	----	----	----
12/21/2001	3.3	-6.3	----	----	----
12/22/2001	6.6	-3.6	----	0.25	----
12/23/2001	7.9	-4.7	----	0.51	----
12/24/2001	-3.2	-7.3	----	----	----
12/25/2001	-3.8	-8.8	----	----	----
12/26/2001	-5.7	-11.1	----	----	----
12/27/2001	-4.1	-9.9	----	----	----
12/28/2001	-3.3	-8.2	----	0.51	----
12/29/2001	-5.4	-9.8	----	----	----
12/30/2001	-6.4	-11.9	----	----	----
12/31/2001	-5.5	-9.5	----	----	----
1/1/2002	-0.1	-15.9	----	0.51	----
1/2/2002	-1.5	-15.3	----	----	----
1/3/2002	-2.6	-12.8	----	----	----
1/4/2002	0.4	-9.8	----	----	----
1/5/2002	0.8	-2.0	----	----	----
1/6/2002	1.2	-3.9	----	1.78	----
1/7/2002	-3.6	-10.6	----	----	----
1/8/2002	2.4	-7.4	----	----	----
1/9/2002	7.0	1.4	----	----	----
1/10/2002	5.6	-0.4	----	----	----
1/11/2002	4.2	-0.1	----	----	----
1/12/2002	3.5	-0.8	----	0.51	----
1/13/2002	4.0	-3.1	----	0.25	----
1/14/2002	7.7	-0.7	----	3.81	----
1/15/2002	1.2	-2.0	----	1.78	----
1/16/2002	0.4	-2.3	----	----	----
1/17/2002	-0.4	-6.5	----	----	----
1/18/2002	-4.7	-12.8	----	0.25	----
1/19/2002	-2.1	-12.6	----	0.51	----
1/20/2002	1.2	-3.9	----	----	----
1/21/2002	1.4	-4.4	----	0.51	----
1/22/2002	10.1	-4.6	----	----	----

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1/23/2002	8.6	2.3	----	0.51	----
1/24/2002	2.3	-4.6	----	----	----
1/25/2002	7.0	-2.6	----	----	----
1/26/2002	11.1	1.0	----	----	----
1/27/2002	13.7	2.8	----	----	----
1/28/2002	13.5	1.5	----	----	----
1/29/2002	1.8	-1.7	----	----	----
1/30/2002	-1.4	-3.5	----	----	----
1/31/2002	-1.1	-4.5	----	----	----
2/1/2002	2.0	-4.2	----	11.18	----
2/2/2002	0.3	-9.0	----	----	----
2/3/2002	2.6	-4.4	----	----	----
2/4/2002	-4.3	-14.6	----	----	----
2/5/2002	-1.0	-15.5	----	----	----
2/6/2002	4.7	-3.9	----	----	----
2/7/2002	3.0	-2.9	----	----	----
2/8/2002	5.7	-3.5	----	----	----
2/9/2002	6.6	-3.6	----	----	----
2/10/2002	8.1	-4.7	----	0.25	----
2/11/2002	0.8	-10.4	----	----	----
2/12/2002	3.6	-6.2	----	----	----
2/13/2002	-0.7	-10.8	----	----	----
2/14/2002	6.0	-3.9	----	----	----
2/15/2002	6.9	0.5	----	----	----
2/16/2002	2.0	-2.5	----	4.06	----
2/17/2002	0.3	-7.6	----	----	----
2/18/2002	6.6	-8.0	----	----	----
2/19/2002	7.2	1.2	----	3.56	----
2/20/2002	11.4	2.8	----	13.72	----
2/21/2002	2.9	-4.4	----	3.56	----
2/22/2002	-0.5	-7.8	----	----	----
2/23/2002	5.0	-9.5	----	----	----
2/24/2002	13.8	1.9	----	----	----
2/25/2002	12.7	-1.4	----	1.02	----
2/26/2002	-1.0	-5.5	----	0.25	----
2/27/2002	-2.3	-9.2	----	1.27	----
2/28/2002	-2.8	-11.6	----	----	----
3/1/2002	1.0	-4.7	----	0.51	----
3/2/2002	1.8	-2.2	----	14.22	----

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3/3/2002	0.3	-11.6	----	0.76	----
3/4/2002	-10.5	-16.4	----	0.25	----
3/5/2002	-1.5	-12.9	----	----	----
3/6/2002	5.6	-5.7	----	0.51	----
3/7/2002	0.1	-2.9	----	----	----
3/8/2002	15.7	-1.0	----	2.29	----
3/9/2002	15.5	-5.3	----	11.43	----
3/10/2002	-5.1	-9.2	----	----	----
3/11/2002	2.9	-9.3	----	----	----
3/12/2002	10.3	-1.6	----	----	----
3/13/2002	15.1	1.2	----	----	----
3/14/2002	9.2	0.7	----	----	----
3/15/2002	12.6	-1.2	----	2.03	----
3/16/2002	3.1	-4.0	----	----	----
3/17/2002	3.4	-4.7	----	----	----
3/18/2002	3.9	-1.9	----	----	----
3/19/2002	8.5	-3.2	----	----	----
3/20/2002	5.0	-1.7	----	0.25	----
3/21/2002	1.9	-9.7	----	0.51	----
3/22/2002	-3.9	-10.5	----	----	----
3/23/2002	6.0	-5.2	----	----	----
3/24/2002	5.2	-7.1	----	----	----
3/25/2002	-2.5	-8.7	----	----	----
3/26/2002	1.2	-6.1	----	----	----
3/27/2002	7.7	-7.8	----	----	----
3/28/2002	7.7	-5.9	----	----	----
3/29/2002	8.1	-1.1	----	8.13	----
3/30/2002	10.6	-0.8	----	0.25	----
3/31/2002	10.4	-3.3	----	----	----
4/1/2002	4.8	-2.4	0.05	1.02	----
4/2/2002	5.6	-0.2	0.01	10.92	----
4/3/2002	4.9	-1.9	0.06	----	----
4/4/2002	3.1	-5.5	0.05	----	----
4/5/2002	3.3	-3.7	0.03	----	----
4/6/2002	4.9	-5.0	0.06	----	----
4/7/2002	7.7	-2.0	0.06	----	----
4/8/2002	14.5	4.6	0.02	21.34	----
4/9/2002	14.9	3.0	0.04	3.05	----
4/10/2002	15.2	-2.3	0.10	----	----

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4/11/2002	22.8	3.5	0.16	----	----
4/12/2002	21.0	12.0	0.08	2.54	----
4/13/2002	19.1	8.8	0.10	----	----
4/14/2002	22.3	10.9	0.10	----	----
4/15/2002	29.2	15.4	0.15	----	----
4/16/2002	29.7	18.3	0.17	----	----
4/17/2002	26.5	15.8	0.14	----	2.11
4/18/2002	29.4	13.7	0.14	----	----
4/19/2002	24.5	10.6	0.15	2.29	----
4/20/2002	11.9	5.2	0.12	0.25	----
4/21/2002	7.0	0.4	0.09	2.54	----
4/22/2002	5.8	-0.1	0.03	0.76	----
4/23/2002	12.3	-2.1	0.10	----	----
4/24/2002	21.1	3.3	0.15	0.25	0.64
4/25/2002	10.3	2.4	0.22	0.76	----
4/26/2002	11.9	-2.0	0.10	----	----
4/27/2002	11.3	-1.3	0.06	4.57	----
4/28/2002	13.3	2.3	0.02	5.33	----
4/29/2002	9.6	1.9	0.05	----	----
4/30/2002	13.5	3.8	0.12	----	----
5/1/2002	15.5	-0.7	0.08	----	----
5/2/2002	9.8	3.3	0.04	15.24	----
5/3/2002	12.8	1.3	0.14	----	----
5/4/2002	18.0	-1.2	0.13	----	----
5/5/2002	23.9	5.5	0.18	----	----
5/6/2002	18.5	13.6	0.10	3.56	----
5/7/2002	17.9	10.8	0.08	----	----
5/8/2002	11.4	5.6	0.07	1.78	0.50
5/9/2002	18.1	8.6	0.06	7.11	----
5/10/2002	14.9	3.8	0.21	----	----
5/11/2002	13.1	0.0	0.05	2.54	----
5/12/2002	10.8	5.0	0.01	20.32	----
5/13/2002	10.7	5.8	0.02	0.25	----
5/14/2002	17.5	5.5	0.14	1.02	----
5/15/2002	21.0	0.6	0.14	----	----
5/16/2002	20.0	5.4	0.06	24.38	----
5/17/2002	7.8	1.2	0.08	----	----
5/18/2002	9.3	1.8	0.06	0.76	----
5/19/2002	10.3	-2.1	0.10	----	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
5/20/2002	7.9	-0.3	0.06	----	----
5/21/2002	13.5	2.8	0.10	----	----
5/22/2002	18.5	0.6	0.14	----	----
5/23/2002	23.7	9.0	0.15	----	----
5/24/2002	17.5	7.6	0.13	2.29	0.58
5/25/2002	15.1	3.1	0.06	3.56	----
5/26/2002	21.8	4.1	0.14	----	----
5/27/2002	26.2	6.6	0.15	----	----
5/28/2002	25.6	10.0	0.15	----	----
5/29/2002	24.9	16.4	0.09	13.72	----
5/30/2002	25.9	16.9	0.11	24.38	----
5/31/2002	28.3	14.9	0.19	----	----
6/1/2002	28.9	13.6	0.20	----	----
6/2/2002	22.6	9.5	0.15	----	----
6/3/2002	16.5	8.1	0.11	9.40	----
6/4/2002	22.9	10.3	0.08	27.94	----
6/5/2002	19.1	12.9	0.03	0.76	----
6/6/2002	20.9	10.0	0.13	----	0.50
6/7/2002	23.6	7.0	0.14	----	0.58
6/8/2002	26.9	11.8	0.16	----	----
6/9/2002	29.7	12.8	0.17	----	----
6/10/2002	31.1	17.0	0.18	1.78	0.58
6/11/2002	29.4	20.1	0.15	8.13	----
6/12/2002	25.9	16.7	0.11	----	----
6/13/2002	20.1	14.1	0.09	0.25	----
6/14/2002	20.7	14.3	0.10	2.29	----
6/15/2002	21.3	11.7	0.10	1.52	----
6/16/2002	21.4	11.2	0.12	----	0.38
6/17/2002	23.7	9.3	0.13	1.02	----
6/18/2002	26.5	7.7	0.16	----	----
6/19/2002	29.6	13.5	0.18	----	----
6/20/2002	32.0	16.1	0.19	----	1.27
6/21/2002	27.9	20.1	0.11	----	----
6/22/2002	32.0	20.0	0.15	----	----
6/23/2002	32.1	18.7	0.17	----	----
6/24/2002	32.6	18.2	0.15	----	1.35
6/25/2002	33.4	16.7	0.15	----	0.58
6/26/2002	29.1	20.8	0.14	0.76	----
6/27/2002	27.3	20.4	0.14	----	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
6/28/2002	29.1	13.4	0.16	----	1.91
6/29/2002	31.1	13.8	0.16	----	----
6/30/2002	32.2	16.8	0.15	----	----
7/1/2002	33.6	19.9	0.16	----	0.76
7/2/2002	32.9	19.4	0.18	----	----
7/3/2002	33.5	18.7	0.20	----	0.50
7/4/2002	32.6	21.2	0.18	----	----
7/5/2002	24.8	15.0	0.20	----	2.54
7/6/2002	27.8	10.7	0.15	----	0.64
7/7/2002	31.8	12.5	0.18	----	----
7/8/2002	32.7	15.2	0.17	5.08	1.91
7/9/2002	27.1	19.4	0.07	28.96	----
7/10/2002	24.2	15.5	0.17	----	----
7/11/2002	25.2	10.2	0.15	----	----
7/12/2002	26.7	8.4	0.16	----	1.27
7/13/2002	30.2	9.7	0.17	----	----
7/14/2002	29.5	11.7	0.17	----	----
7/15/2002	31.3	12.9	0.16	----	0.81
7/16/2002	32.4	18.6	0.17	----	----
7/17/2002	30.4	17.9	0.18	----	0.81
7/18/2002	29.5	18.1	0.12	8.13	----
7/19/2002	28.5	17.0	0.10	----	----
7/20/2002	30.0	14.5	0.16	----	----
7/21/2002	32.9	18.9	0.13	0.25	----
7/22/2002	33.5	21.9	0.16	4.32	----
7/23/2002	23.5	13.9	0.17	----	0.69
7/24/2002	25.6	9.4	0.15	----	----
7/25/2002	26.0	12.6	0.15	----	----
7/26/2002	29.5	17.8	0.14	17.02	----
7/27/2002	27.6	18.1	0.08	1.52	----
7/28/2002	28.6	20.9	0.07	9.91	----
7/29/2002	30.2	20.8	0.10	19.81	----
7/30/2002	29.8	19.1	0.15	----	----
7/31/2002	32.2	19.1	0.18	----	----
8/1/2002	31.2	19.0	0.15	----	0.76
8/2/2002	27.5	16.2	0.17	1.52	----
8/3/2002	30.4	13.4	0.16	----	----
8/4/2002	31.1	19.7	0.12	0.25	----
8/5/2002	27.6	18.7	0.12	0.25	0.94

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
8/6/2002	21.8	11.7	0.15	----	----
8/7/2002	23.9	8.0	0.11	----	----
8/8/2002	25.5	8.1	0.14	----	0.94
8/9/2002	27.6	10.8	0.14	----	----
8/10/2002	29.6	11.2	0.15	----	0.38
8/11/2002	31.5	16.7	0.15	----	----
8/12/2002	31.4	17.0	0.15	----	----
8/13/2002	30.1	20.3	0.15	6.60	0.64
8/14/2002	23.5	19.2	0.05	10.41	----
8/15/2002	28.2	17.3	0.12	----	----
8/16/2002	28.3	19.3	0.11	0.51	----
8/17/2002	28.6	19.1	0.10	----	----
8/18/2002	25.2	13.0	0.17	----	----
8/19/2002	21.5	12.3	0.06	4.32	----
8/20/2002	25.4	10.9	0.14	----	----
8/21/2002	27.5	11.2	0.14	----	0.38
8/22/2002	25.5	19.2	0.14	4.57	----
8/23/2002	22.1	18.3	0.04	7.11	----
8/24/2002	26.1	17.9	0.07	----	----
8/25/2002	26.8	13.9	0.12	----	----
8/26/2002	28.2	13.8	0.12	----	----
8/27/2002	26.8	14.3	0.12	----	----
8/28/2002	25.2	11.7	0.14	----	----
8/29/2002	27.4	13.7	0.12	----	0.64
8/30/2002	27.8	12.6	0.12	----	----
8/31/2002	28.8	11.9	0.12	----	----
9/1/2002	29.7	12.9	0.14	----	----
9/2/2002	28.1	18.2	0.08	----	----
9/3/2002	27.4	14.7	0.15	----	0.95
9/4/2002	27.1	11.6	0.14	----	----
9/5/2002	25.9	9.4	0.12	----	0.97
9/6/2002	29.8	10.6	0.13	----	----
9/7/2002	33.0	10.8	0.14	----	0.64
9/8/2002	33.4	13.8	0.14	----	----
9/9/2002	32.5	13.8	0.12	----	0.76
9/10/2002	32.0	16.2	0.11	0.25	----
9/11/2002	23.7	11.4	0.14	----	----
9/12/2002	25.4	6.9	0.11	----	----
9/13/2002	26.8	9.2	0.10	----	0.50

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
9/14/2002	29.7	10.0	0.10	----	----
9/15/2002	20.1	11.4	0.06	----	----
9/16/2002	24.4	5.6	----	----	0.81
9/17/2002	28.1	6.6	----	----	----
9/18/2002	25.7	12.2	0.06	1.27	----
9/19/2002	29.7	18.7	0.09	4.57	----
9/20/2002	24.8	18.0	0.05	2.79	----
9/21/2002	26.5	13.8	0.11	----	----
9/22/2002	16.3	7.2	0.07	3.56	----
9/23/2002	18.4	4.3	0.07	----	----
9/24/2002	17.4	4.8	0.09	----	----
9/25/2002	22.2	2.0	0.10	----	----
9/26/2002	23.9	7.8	0.08	----	0.64
9/27/2002	22.6	12.3	0.08	----	----
9/28/2002	22.2	7.8	0.10	----	----
9/29/2002	25.4	13.2	0.10	0.76	----
9/30/2002	29.5	16.2	0.13	----	1.02
10/1/2002	29.9	19.7	0.11	----	----
10/2/2002	24.5	12.9	0.06	0.25	----
10/3/2002	15.4	11.1	0.04	3.81	----
10/4/2002	25.3	14.8	0.02	9.14	----
10/5/2002	16.5	5.2	0.13	----	----
10/6/2002	19.5	4.2	0.07	2.54	----
10/7/2002	12.2	1.7	0.12	----	----
10/8/2002	17.1	1.6	0.06	----	----
10/9/2002	20.5	5.2	0.08	----	----
10/10/2002	21.9	3.6	0.06	----	----
10/11/2002	22.2	5.7	0.06	----	----
10/12/2002	21.6	5.8	0.04	1.52	----
10/13/2002	11.9	-1.6	0.08	3.05	----
10/14/2002	13.7	-0.5	0.06	----	----
10/15/2002	17.2	1.0	0.07	----	0.50
10/16/2002	9.2	-0.7	0.11	----	----
10/17/2002	6.5	-4.4	0.02	2.03	----
10/18/2002	11.5	3.0	0.02	2.29	----
10/19/2002	10.9	4.6	0.03	----	----
10/20/2002	9.8	-2.0	0.04	----	----
10/21/2002	10.4	-4.1	0.03	----	----
10/22/2002	8.9	4.6	0.03	----	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
10/23/2002	7.3	-0.3	0.03	----	----
10/24/2002	7.8	-0.7	0.04	----	----
10/25/2002	5.8	-2.7	0.02	6.60	----
10/26/2002	8.2	4.2	0.01	0.25	----
10/27/2002	8.0	3.2	0.03	----	----
10/28/2002	8.9	-0.5	0.03	----	----
10/29/2002	4.3	-1.4	0.03	----	----
10/30/2002	8.4	-3.0	0.04	----	----
10/31/2002	8.3	-4.3	0.02	----	----
11/1/2002	3.4	-2.0	0.04	----	----
11/2/2002	5.2	-2.1	0.03	----	----
11/3/2002	8.6	-7.0	0.02	----	----
11/4/2002	9.2	-3.7	0.03	----	----
11/5/2002	4.0	-1.5	0.02	4.06	----
11/6/2002	4.6	1.0	0.00	----	----
11/7/2002	10.1	-3.9	0.05	----	----
11/8/2002	17.1	7.4	0.10	----	----
11/9/2002	15.7	7.6	0.04	1.78	----
11/10/2002	18.4	10.9	0.02	11.18	----
11/11/2002	10.8	3.1	0.02	0.51	----
11/12/2002	4.8	1.0	0.01	----	----
11/13/2002	9.7	-0.6	0.03	----	----
11/14/2002	12.7	0.9	0.05	5.08	----
11/15/2002	1.1	-3.7	0.04	0.76	----
11/16/2002	-0.5	-5.8	0.01	----	----
11/17/2002	1.6	-4.3	0.02	----	----
11/18/2002	4.8	-6.5	0.02	----	----
11/19/2002	11.6	1.7	0.04	4.32	----
11/20/2002	13.4	3.0	0.03	----	----
11/21/2002	7.5	-0.4	0.01	3.30	----
11/22/2002	1.4	-1.0	0.03	0.51	----
11/23/2002	4.9	-0.7	0.02	0.25	----
11/24/2002	4.6	-1.9	0.02	----	----
11/25/2002	-0.2	-4.3	0.01	1.78	----
11/26/2002	-1.2	-5.7	----	----	----
11/27/2002	-0.7	-10.3	----	0.25	----
11/28/2002	-2.1	-4.1	----	----	----
11/29/2002	7.9	-2.5	----	----	----
11/30/2002	4.0	-7.3	----	0.76	----

DATE	Air Temperature (Maximum °C)	Air Temperature (Minimum °C)	80% Et [†]	Precipitation (cm)	Irrigation (cm)
12/1/2002	-1.0	-9.2	----	----	----
12/2/2002	-1.0	-13.7	----	----	----
12/3/2002	-3.8	-19.0	----	4.06	----
12/4/2002	-3.0	-20.5	----	----	----
12/5/2002	-2.0	-12.1	----	----	----
12/6/2002	-2.8	-8.7	----	----	----
12/7/2002	2.2	-4.7	----	----	----
12/8/2002	-0.1	-15.7	----	----	----
12/9/2002	-3.0	-19.4	----	----	----
12/10/2002	5.5	-5.8	----	----	----
12/11/2002	5.0	-8.0	----	----	----
12/12/2002	6.0	-5.5	----	----	----
12/13/2002	1.2	-0.6	----	----	----
12/14/2002	1.8	-1.0	----	----	----
12/15/2002	4.5	-1.9	----	----	----
12/16/2002	-1.7	-9.0	----	----	----
12/17/2002	0.1	-7.5	----	----	----
12/18/2002	8.7	-0.3	----	6.10	----
12/19/2002	10.3	0.7	----	9.65	----
12/20/2002	1.6	-2.4	----	1.52	----
12/21/2002	-0.1	-3.5	----	----	----
12/22/2002	-0.2	-2.7	----	----	----
12/23/2002	-1.0	-4.5	----	----	----
12/24/2002	-2.8	-5.3	----	----	----
12/25/2002	-0.5	-4.7	----	1.78	----
12/26/2002	-0.2	-8.0	----	0.76	----
12/27/2002	-3.3	-9.1	----	----	----
12/28/2002	0.1	-6.1	----	1.27	----
12/29/2002	2.0	-4.7	----	----	----
12/30/2002	11.4	-1.7	----	0.76	----
12/31/2002	10.4	-3.7	----	----	----

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