

## Successful Soil Quality Conference



**Participants measuring how quickly rain infiltrates the soil profiles**

that week so it was a perfect opportunity to showcase healthy no-till corn fields vs. conventionally tilled fields which were burning up.



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Other counties & speakers all over the state are using our Southwestern Indiana conference as a template. In addition a sheet was passed with the survey results from the attendees that gave the conference high marks. Two professional agronomists (who attend meeting all the time in different counties and states) commented it was the best meeting they had ever attended.

One attendee who farms 18,000 acres in 5 counties located in 3 states was so excited he called one of the speakers as he was leaving town saying he wanted to put 1,000 acres in cover crops and requested his help.