

Is your soil showing symptoms of being sick?

What does “sick soil” look like?



**Ponding**



**Poor infiltration, deposition**



**Erosion, bare soil**



**Primed for crusting**

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What does healthy soil look like?



**Minimal disturbance, adequate residue— soil is covered which protects it from wind, rain and sun (preserves moisture) and all old root channels and worm holes are intact so that water can percolate into the soil profile rather than run off**



**Cover crop added diversity to the rotation and helped protect the soil after soybeans, scavenged excess nutrients, and provided a living root to feed soil biota**