

EOTEC Grounds Maintenance Schedule

Since I have started, I have been in communication with multiple agronomists on the best practices for EOTEC. We have bought fertilizer and chemical from Western Ag Improvement and Simplot. Steve Wallace has taken soil samples of the commons area (and we will take samples of the fields in the future) to see what the soil is lacking to be able to apply the correct nutrients to the ground. In 2022 we applied fertilizer in February and June. We currently have fertilizer on hand to apply before we start the sprinklers this spring.

As far as applying herbicides to the ground to kill weeds, we have usually waited until the puncturevine starts emerging and then spray with 2,4-D and banvel in order to get the weeds that are up and have some soil residual to kill future weeds for a few weeks. We have used DW Ag Services to spray when we want to spray the entire facility. Late in 2022, we acquired a Polaris Ranger with a sprayer for it. So, that will be used to do as much spraying as possible when needed. Specific timing will depend on weather and plant growth, not a calendar. This past year, we sprayed for puncturevine in early June and then sprayed some again in late July. We have discussed ground sterilant but as sandy as this ground is, I'm not sure it will last as long as we would hope and so I think it could be wasting money. But I want to try some early this spring to see if it is feasible.

I service the gators, lawn mowers, tractors and arena drags every winter/early spring and have been maintaining them myself as much as possible.

We maintain and replace sprinklers as needed.

Twice a year, Apollo Heating and Air services the HVAC system and changes filters.

We have our dishwasher in the kitchen serviced monthly by Home Depot Pro

December/January- Hood Suppression System inspected in kitchen.

Late fall/early spring- Aerate grass.

Early spring- McLaughlin Landscaping turns sprinklers on and checks the patterns.

Early spring- ground sterilant on gravel and around barns.

Early spring- fertilize

Mid/late spring- start spraying for puncturevine

Early summer- another round of fertilizer

June- Security and Fire Alarm tests

June/July- Hood Suppression System inspected in kitchen.

Up to fair keep puncturevine that is coming through sprayed.

After fair spot spray puncturevine

Mid/Late October- Water off, sprinklers blown out, barns drained and blown out.