

DISH update

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Summary

Forage yields for fall sprayed were much lower than anticipated.

We expected 2.4 Mg ha and observed 0.6 Mg ha.

Data was double checked for accuracy.

Water content of forage yield was 40%, which is typical.

No obvious plausible treatment differences were observed, unless there is a mechanism for axial and dual improving forage yield through weed control that is also observed in weed control ratings.

For spring sprayed plots, we expect much higher yields. It's possible we could increase quadrat length from 12" to capture more area and reduce variability. We currently are sampling 0.15 square meters. 1 square meter is standard, but we are trying not to have a large impact on the plot from forage sampling to reduce the impact on grain yield determination later in season.

Key information

DISH = Debalin Isidor Herbicide Trial. Trial tests kernza response to certain herbicides

[DISH drive folder](#)

[DISH master with data and plot map](#)

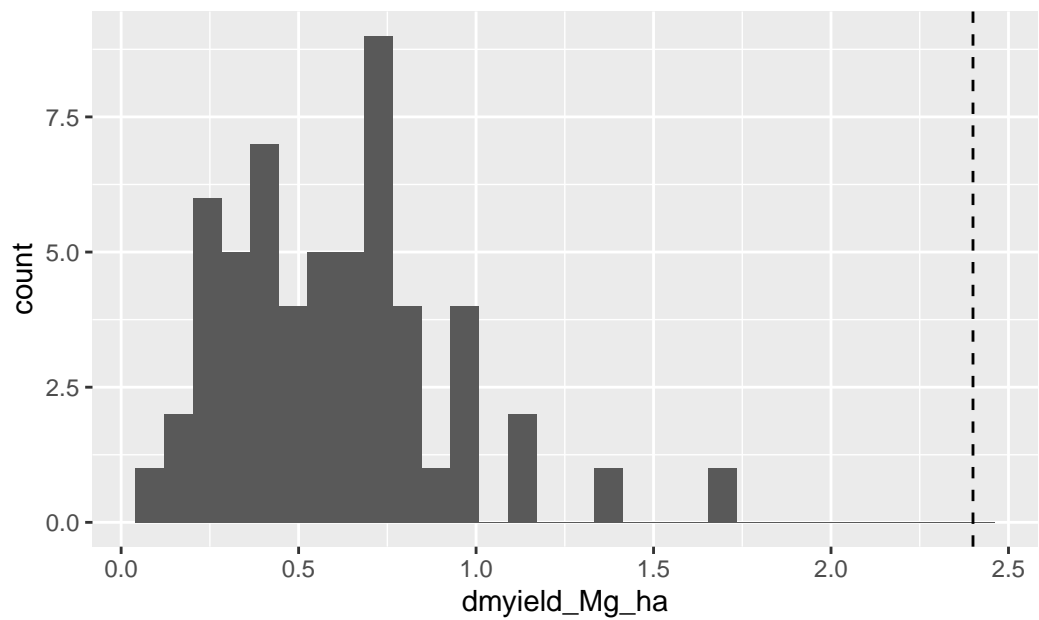
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Forage yield

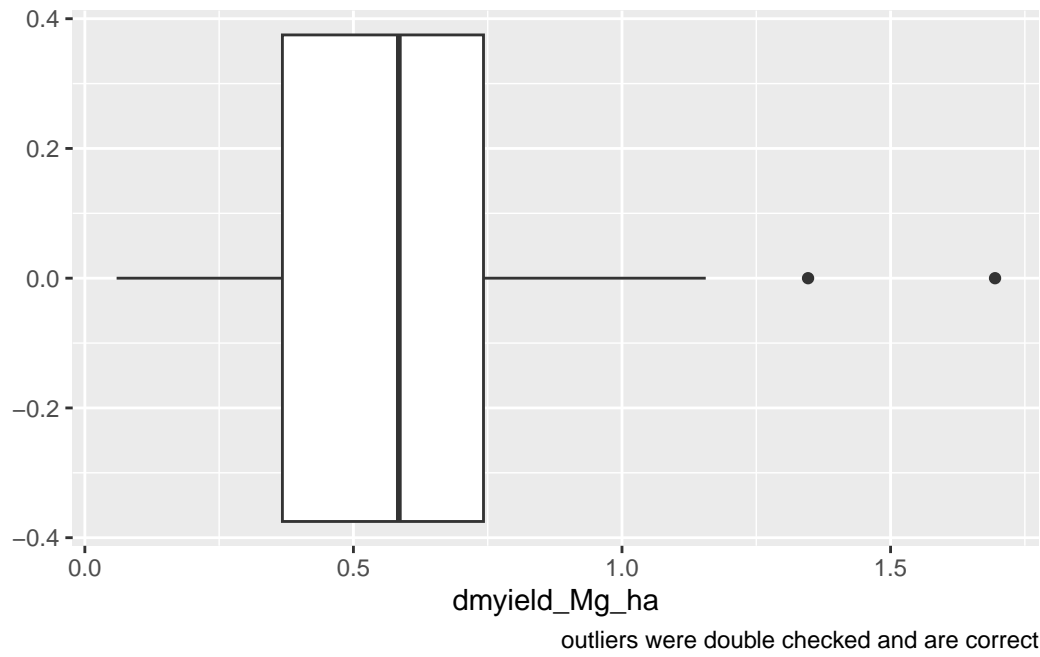
We expect spring forage yields around 2.4 Mg Ha (Hunter et al. 2020)

plot	treatment	dmyield_Mg_ha
Min. :101	Length:57	Min. :0.05911
1st Qu.:115	Class :character	1st Qu.:0.36780
Median :210	Mode :character	Median :0.58453
Mean :210		Mean :0.59755
3rd Qu.:305		3rd Qu.:0.74216
Max. :319		Max. :1.69449

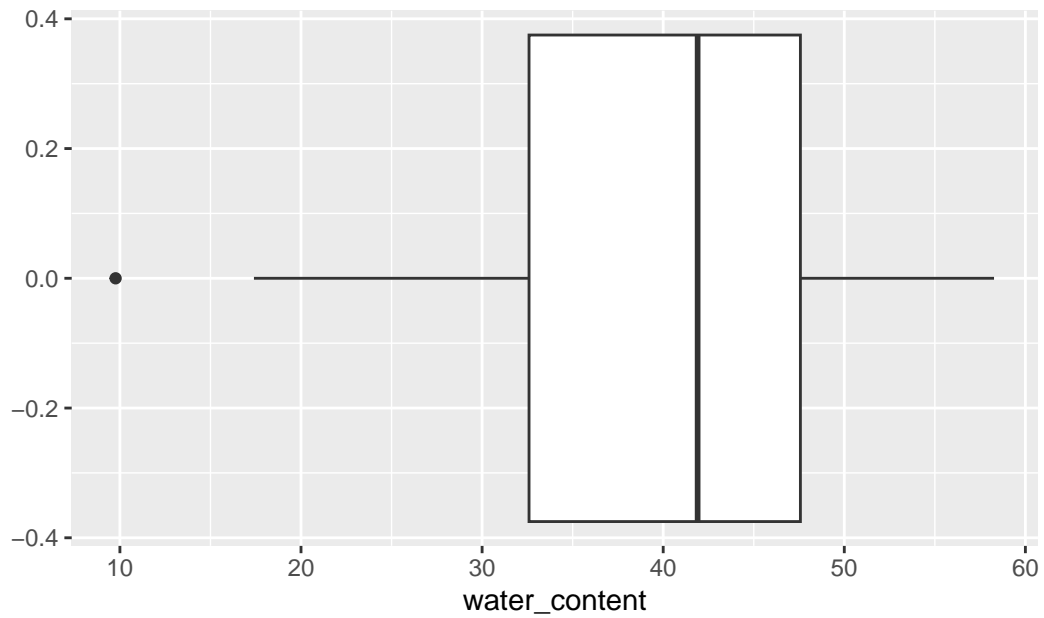
we observe 0.6 Mg Ha average spring forage yield.



Spring forage yield is typically 2.4 Mg ha (Hunter et all 2020)



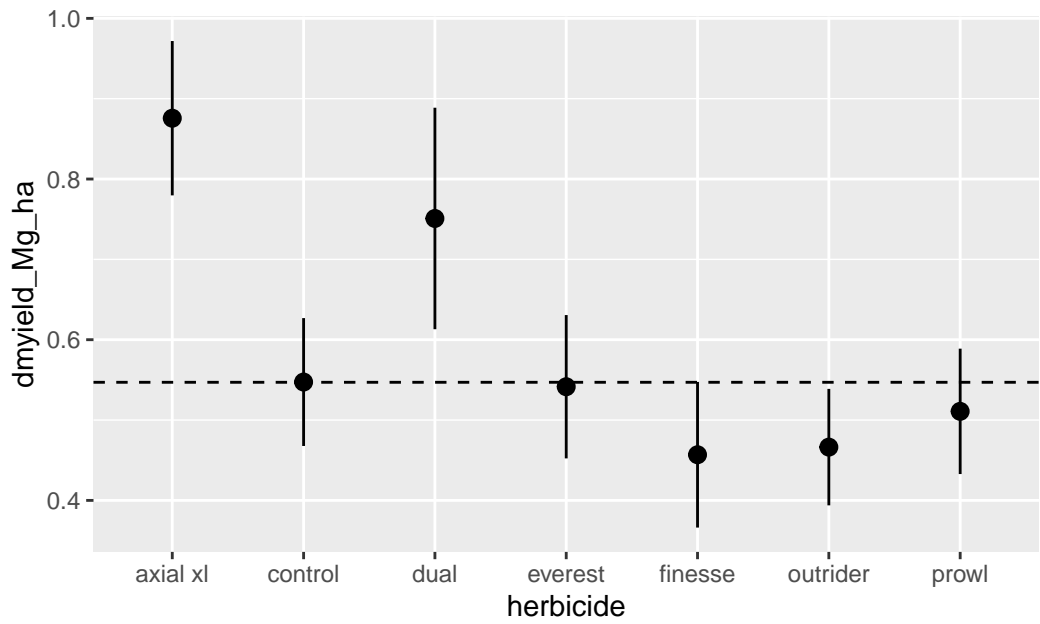
water content



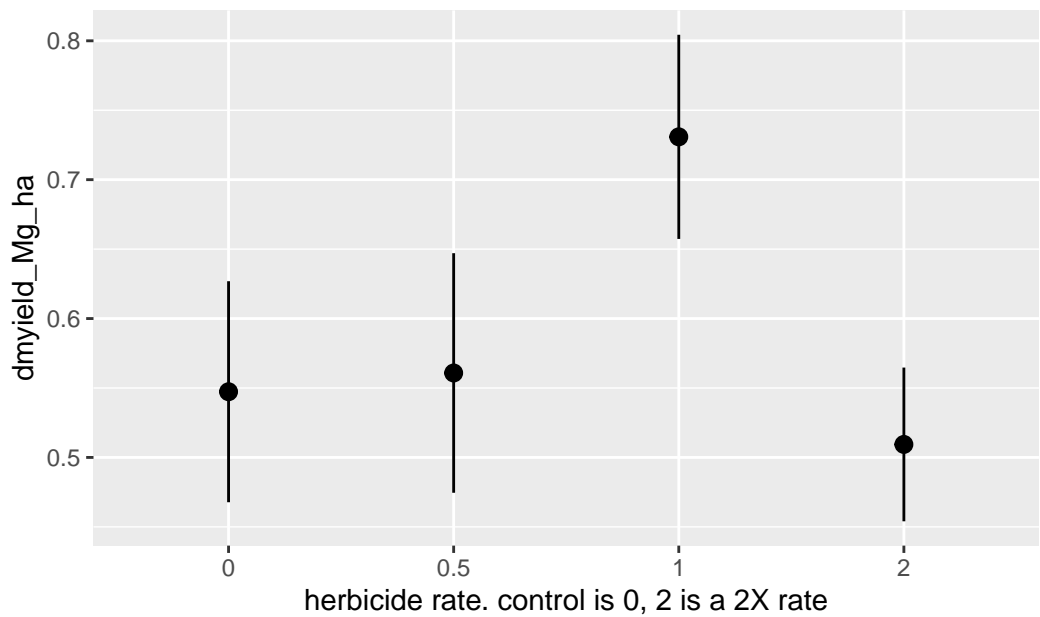
the outlier had a very small amount of sample but the value is correct

water content averaged around 40%

treatment differences



finesse and outrider may have lower DM yield than control



similar yield as control, likely no herbicide injury from fall herbicide applicaiton on spring forage yield

References

Hunter, Mitchell C., Craig C. Sheaffer, Steven W. Culman, William F. Lazarus, and Jacob M. Jungers. 2020. “Effects of Defoliation and Row Spacing on Intermediate Wheatgrass II: Forage Yield and Economics.” *Agronomy Journal* 112: 1862–80. <https://doi.org/10.1002/agj2.20124>.