



**Innovative
Technologies**

Interseeding Cover Crops

**Timely
Applications**

UVM Extension is excited to introduce two new pieces of equipment to help further promote the adoption of cover crops to Vermont fields. A national NRCS CIG grant has allowed us to acquire a Hagie Highboy seeder and a Interseeding Technologies “Penn State” Interseeder. Through this project we will demonstrate the equipment on 11 farms throughout northern Vermont and once completed the equipment will be available to trial on additional acres. The goal of this cover cropping program is to facilitate the widespread adaptation of cover crops to help improve soil health and water quality.



Interseeding provides a way to establish cover crops during the growing season. This helps to reduce the workload in the fall allowing you to focus on corn harvest and manure application. We all know that a cover crop established earlier provides more soil protection, organic matter, and nutrient scavenging. Interseeding also presents an opportunity to diversify the species of cover crops we use on our farms. The use of fertilizer spreaders, the highboy, cultivators with air seeders, the Interseeder, and/or helicopters all help get this task done. The time is NOW to plan seed varieties and rates, application equipment, **herbicide programs** and funding sources. Please contact UVM Extension at 802-524-6501 or 388-4969 for assistance or if you would like to participate in an on farm trial.

Service Providers

Highboy Seeders: Lawes Ag. Services Brandon Vermont (802) 247-6874

Aerial Services: Mansfield Heliflight Milton, Vermont (802) 893-1003

JBI Helicopter Pembroke, NH (603) 225-3134

Interseeding: Bourdeaus Bros. Sheldon, Vermont (802)-933-4581 Middlebury, 388-7000

Oliver Seed Co. Milton, Vermont (802) 893-1241

NRCS may provide an additional list of contractors who provide these services

Please contact UVM Extension at 524-6501 or 388-4969 if you wish to be added to this list

