

Smithfield® **CROP ALERT**

GRAIN *Managing Stinkbugs in Corn*



Stinkbugs have become a major pest in corn and our team has been scouting fields across VA, NC and SC.

Are You at Risk? If your corn fields border woods, weedy hosts or harvested wheat fields, then the answer is yes!

Growth Stage Corn is most susceptible to injury and yield loss just prior to Tassel (VT). *(The picture on the left shows the developing ear at tassel.)*

Updated Thresholds Dr. Dominic Reisig has published new thresholds here:

<https://entomology.ces.ncsu.edu/2018/06/scout-corn-now-to-prevent-ear-damage-from-stink-bugs/>

Treatment Options

Bifenthrin is the preferred insecticide and coverage is key for successful control. This means getting the material down in the canopy where the insects are feeding.

To schedule an on-farm consultation, contact Adam Lassiter at (252) 326.1231 alassiter@smithfield.com