

Customer Testimonial

Nea-Tocht Farm

Paper Fiber

Pictured here in use as a protective cover over plastic on corn silage.



Nea-Tocht Farm, translating to “Never Thought” in Dutch, was purchased by the Vander Wey family in 1976 and is located in the scenic farming town of Ferrisburgh, VT. Brothers Howard and Sid Vander Wey currently manage the family-owned farm which includes 300 acres of corn, alfalfa, and grass fields, around 270 dairy cows, and a towering wind-turbine that generates electricity for the farm.

The corn grown on the farm is used to manufacture high quality silage. Originally, Howard was covering the silage with plastic tarps weighed down by tires. He found that this approach resulted in spoilage, and the tires frequently filled up with rainwater and residue making their removal a messy, challenging task. By covering his tarped silage with a thick layer of RMI’s Paper Fiber, Howard was able to achieve a nearly perfect seal and as a result was able to reduce 95% of the spoilage.

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Nea-Tocht is able to utilize the Paper Fiber for a second use, land application. This supplies the soil with increased organic matter, strengthening the ability of the soil to retain water during drought conditions and withstand erosion.

The record rainfall in Vermont this summer presented a challenge for many farms, and while Nea-Tocht was no exception, Howard added that he believes the increased organic matter in his soil contributed to his farms ability to endure and allowed him to produce around 1500 round bales of hay this season. Howard continues to utilize Paper Fiber on the Farm, praising it for it's effectiveness and economic value.



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