Just a quick note to let you know of a report of stripe rust in the Filer area from a very credible source. The appearance in our area is about 3 – 4 weeks earlier than previous years. In the past, stripe rust has shown up in late May, around Memorial Day.

Please consider fungicide application to protect susceptible and moderately susceptible varieties. Please use the fungicide efficacy table on our website as a reference. Strobilurins and triazoles are excellent protective products and triazoles are more effective if a stripe rust infection is already established in the field. Scout fields carefully, and be aware that that lower leaves may be showing infections that are not immediately visible without some investigatory effort.

Thanks for the continued updates, it is greatly appreciated. If you see stripe rust, it is helpful to all of us if you can let me know the location. If you know the variety and can tell me if the infection is in the upper or lower leaf canopy, that would be greatly appreciated as well. And I always love pictures.

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