

# ZIPPER CLOSING WHEEL

## ZIPPER FEATURES—DESIGN—BENEFITS

- Feathers the soil in the seed V with its wide track design
- Designed to break up compaction without being too aggressive
- 1" spike will not get too close to or disturb seed
- Allows for better seed-to-soil contact
- Longer wear, heavy duty cast metal spikes
- Breaks down sidewall and zips seed V shut at the same time
- Tubular design of spike allows it to release soil and eliminate plugging while compacting the soil around the seed
- Angle design doesn't flip or throw soil out; allows for accurate release
- As the Zipper closes it creates indentations which allow moisture to sink in

## ELIMINATES COMMON PROBLEMS

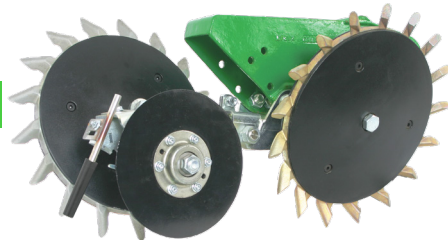
- Compacts the soil better than straight-fingered wheels
- Moves soil with minimal compaction into the furrow
- Eliminates air pockets
- On a hot windy day the trench won't crack back open

## WHERE THEY WORK—SUITABLE FOR MANY SOILS

- Made to work in tough soils
- Works in no-till or conventional

## EASE OF INSTALLATION

- Can be used with or without the G2/G4 liquid fertilizer disc
- Easy to install



*The Zipper works very well with the G2 2x2 liquid fertilizer disc*

### IT'S A FACT:

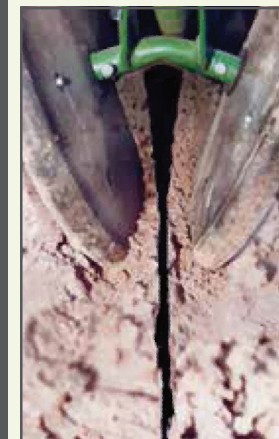
Sidewall compaction left from double disc openers on planters makes it hard for standard closing wheels to properly close the seed V. Especially in wet heavy textured soils, standard press wheels tend to smear the soil over the seeds and do not break up the sidewall compaction. Then when a hot windy day comes after planting in wet soil conditions, the seed V

will often crack back open, exposing the seeds.

If the seed V does stay shut after planting with standard closing wheels, many times the sidewalls of the seed V stay compacted, not letting the roots of the plants penetrate the sidewalls. This keeps the roots from building a good brace root system, and the plants will tend to fall over later in the season.

Zipper Wheels eliminate these problems.

*Furrow left open with rubber closing wheels*



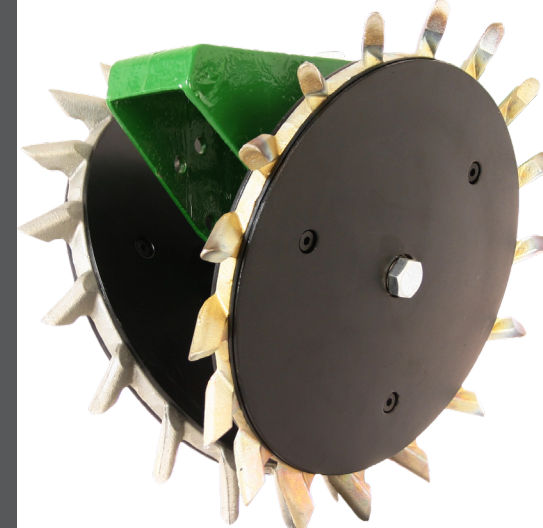
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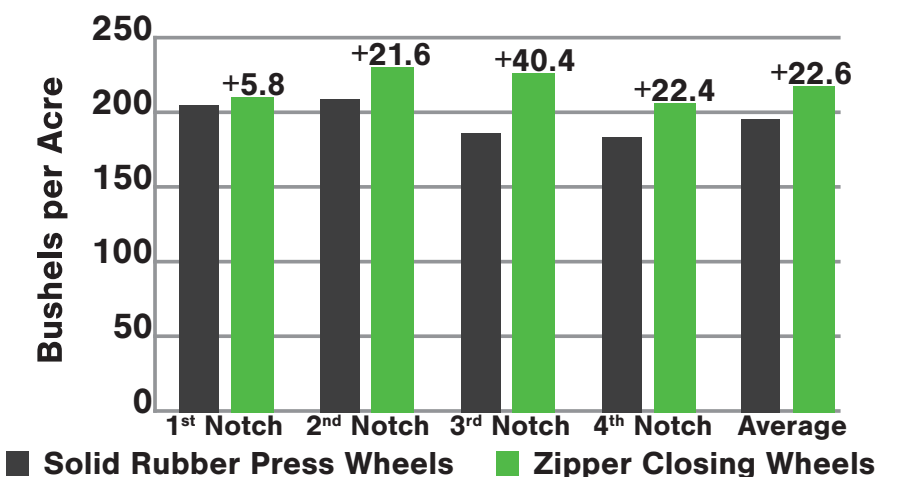
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The study below was performed in wet, less than ideal conditions by Beck's Hybrids 2015 Practical Research.

"Wheels that crumbled the seed trench shut from the sides generally outperformed wheels that applied more pressure above the seed. In the wet conditions we were planting into, this action helped decrease compaction above the seedling and allowed for more even and uninterrupted emergence." – Beck's

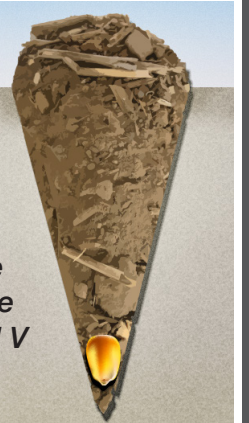
## Beck's Research Bushels per Acre Advantages of the Zipper Closing Wheel



## ZIPPER— DISTINCT FEATURES OVER THE MOHAWK

- More aggressive
- Rototills soil in for better compaction
- Pulls more soil from the sidewall in over the seed because the spikes are angled out and down
- Sheds mud better
- Rocks or root balls will not stick

*Zipper wheels create an ice cream cone shape with the soil in and above the seed V*



### B.M., SD-

*I was having problems with rocks in the closing wheels last year and was getting mad... Called Schaffert Mfg. to get more Rebounders and fertilizer tubes. They asked if I would try the "Zipper" closing wheel. I was impressed with the zippers and they didn't pick any rocks up. Problem solved.*

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