The impediments to using best management practices

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Lending institutions have to be careful as to how they guide producers because of lender liability laws. I encourage best farm practices such as rotation, mowing end rows before seeds mature, and applying recommended herbicide application rates. As I perform preseason cash flows, all formulas are based on the recommendations. Any variance could result in changes in the net income to the producer. I do see the possibility of herbicide-resistant weeds adding to the variable cost (e.g., labor, fuel, and herbicide) in the future as farm margins are narrowing.