



**MOISTURE MONITORING:** HarvestLab brings on-the-run tracking of silage moisture to forage choppers.

### Track moisture while chopping

**S**ILAGE and haylage harvesting technology takes a major leap with John Deere's new HarvestLab moisture sensor.

Designed for high-capacity, self-propelled forage harvesters, it's the first high-accuracy, onboard sensor using near-infrared technology.

Located on the harvester's spout, the HarvestLab sensor employs the same analysis technology used by forage labs. It will "read moisture within two percentage points in the field while chopping," says Tim Meister, Deere marketing division manager.

The sensor continuously

sends moisture readings to the cab's GreenStar display, capturing moisture and yield data with Deere's proprietary Harvest Monitoring System. It also can calculate average forage moisture by truckload or wagonload.

The sensor can be removed from harvesters, linked to a laptop computer and used to take real-time moisture readings for ensiled crops at feed-out. It will be available on new machines and can be retrofitted to older models. Earliest availability will be November 2006.

For more details, visit [www.JohnDeere.com/ag](http://www.JohnDeere.com/ag). Check it out at upcoming farm shows.

### Bigger Big Dog scraper features larger payload

**T**HE new Big Dog 11-yard Forced Ejection Scraper offers the same features as the well-known Big Dog series of 5-, 6½- and 8-yard scrapers.

The new machine also boasts the benefit of a larger

payload for farm and industrial operations.

Extra-heavy-duty spindles, hubs and wheels are matched with a hefty undercarriage and frame, plus ultrahigh molecular-weight polyethylene slides on

push-gate and push-cylinder guides. The new scraper comes with a width of cut of 7½ feet and is sized for 160- to 240-horsepower tractors.

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**A BIGGER BIG DOG:** The new 11-yard forced-ejection scraper from Big Dog adds beef to a line of well-known smaller models. The new machine is sized for 160- to 240-hp tractors.

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