Soil Salinity Fixes: Quick or Patient

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Undoubtedly, salinity and sodicity pose significant threats to global food security, often stemming from improper irrigation practices, alterations in local hydrology, and soil inundation by ocean or sea waters. At the local level, managing these soil issues presents various challenges, including dealing with high water tables, the absence of natural mechanisms to remove salts from the root zone, crop growth difficulties, limited understanding or misdiagnosis of the problem, and financial constraints. This presentation will delve into the complexities surrounding saline and sodic soils and offer insights into their effective management. Resolving these soil issues goes beyond simply purchasing a product; it requires an educational foundation in understanding soil water dynamics. We encourage you to view this informative video before December 14: <u>YouTube Video Link</u> or search for "002 How Water Moves Through Soil The Irrigation Toolbox" on YouTube.