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Postemergence Herbicide Application

At present there are many weed control and management measures such as tillage, crop rotation, chemical control and biological control. Among them, herbicides play an important role in agricultural production. With the determination, establishment and use of different economic weed control thresholds in different crops, postemergence herbicide application will receive increased attention. Postemergence herbicide application refers to those herbicides that are applied after the weed or crop emerges. This practice may provide crop producers an opportunity to treat only those fields with weed densities that are above an economic threshold level, and to control those target weeds with the proper herbicides. Some researchers (Wilkerson, et al, 1991; and Mortense and Coble, 1991) have pointed out that using large quantities of herbicides to control weeds regardless of weed density and economic return is unrealistic and environmentally unacceptable.

In order to have economical and effective control of target weeds and avoid unnecessary herbicide use, postemergence herbicide applications are valuable.

Database Models

A database model refers to a collection of logical constructs used to represent the data structure and the data relationships found within the database. Database models can be divided into two categories: conceptual models and implementation models. Conceptual models focus on the logical nature of the data representation. They are concerned with

what is represented rather than how it is represented. There exist three types of relationships in conceptual database models such as one-to-many relationships, many-to-many relationships and one-to-one relationships. Implementation models place the emphasis on how the data are represented in the database or on how the data structures are implemented. Three types of implementation database models include hierarchical database model, network database model and relational database model (Peter, R and C. Coronel, 1997).

Hierarchical Database Model

A hierarchical database consists of a collection of records that are connected to each other through links. Each record is a collection of fields (attributes), each of which contains only one data value. A link is an association between precisely two records. The hierarchical database model is based on a upside-down tree structure that is composed of a root segment, parent segments, and child segments. The hierarchical database model depicts a set of one-to-many (1:M) relationships between a parent and its children, that is, each parent can have many children and each child has only one parent (Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998). The advantages of hierarchical database model are as follows:

- Because all data are held in a common database, data-sharing and security are provided.
- The DBMS creates an environment in which data independence can be maintained, thereby greatly decreasing programming effort and program maintenance.

- Because the child segment is always automatically referenced to its parent, rence

 database integrity exists.

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- This model can deal with a large volume of data in 1:M relationships.

Unfortunately, the hierarchical model has the following disadvantages:

- This model requires the knowledge of physical level of data storage.
- It is unable to represent relationships that do not conform to the hierarchical 1:M standard.
- Because the hierarchical model does not include ad hoc querying capability,
 application programming tends to require extensive effort and resources.
- Hierarchical design can also be difficult, therefore the DBMS efficiency is hard to capture.
- Because there are no standard concepts and implementation, the hierarchical model lacks portability

Network Database Model

In many respects the network database model resembles the hierarchical database model; for example, as in the hierarchical model, the user perceives the network database as a collection of records in 1:M relationships. However, quite unlike hierarchical model, a network model's record can have more than one parent ((Ullman, J. D. 1988; Peter, R and C. Coronel, 1997; Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998).

In the network model a relationship is called a set. Each set is composed of at least two record types: an owner record that is equivalent to the hierarchical model's parent and a member record that is equivalent to the hierarchical model's child. The difference between the hierarchical model and the network model is that the a member may have several owners (Peter, R and C. Coronel, 1997).

The network database model has the following advantages:

- The M:N relationships are easier to implement in the network database model than in the hierarchical model.
- The network set defines the relationship between owner and member; its
 existence allows a program to access an owner record and all the member
 records within a set, thus yielding greater data access flexibility than was
 possible with the hierarchical model.
- The network database model enforces database integrity because the user first
 must define the owner record and then the member.
- The network database model achieves sufficient data independence.
 Therefore, changes in the data characteristics do not require changes in the applications programs.

The network model's disadvantages include the following:

 Network databases are difficult to design and to use properly. The user must be very familiar with the database structure to take advantage of the system's efficiency.

- Although the network model achieves data independence, it does not produce structural independence. Therefore, it is difficult to make changes in a database.
- The network model has a very complex structure from the application programmer's point of view. Consequently, the programmer must be very familiar with the internal structures in order to access the database.

Relational Database Model

The relational database model is the current database standard. The user/designer need only be concerned with the logical view of the database; the details of physical storage, access paths, and data structures are managed by the (RDBMS). Therefore relational database design becomes much simpler than hierarchical or network models. Relational database is perceived by the user as a collection of tables in which data are stored. Each table consists of series of row/column intersections. Tables (or relations) are related to each other by sharing a common entity characteristic. The relationship type is often shown in a relational schema. A table yields complete data and structural independence because it is a purely logical structure (Ullman, J. D. 1988 and 1989; Peter, R and C. Coronel, 1997; Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998).

The relational database model has the following advantages:

 Because the relational model achieves both data independence and structural independence, it becomes much easier to design the database and to manage its contents. Less programming effort is required because the relational database has a very powerful query language called Structured Query Language (SQL), which makes ad hoc queries possible.

The disadvantages of relational database model are:

RDBMS requires substantial hardware and operating system overhead.

Visual Basic Communicates With Databases

Visual Basic communicates with databases through the data control. Data control can read, modify, delete, and add records to databases. The visual boxes such as Text box, check box, image, label, picture box, list box, combo box, data bound list box, data bound combo box and FlexGrid can be bound to a data control (Schneider, D. I. 1998).

Visual Basic is the programming language provided with Access. Visual Basic instructions can respond to events that occur with the objects in a database. We can do anything with Visual Basic that we can do with macros in Access, but Visual Basic gives us more control over commands and objects than we have with macros. With Visual Basic we can create our own functions to perform special calculations.

We can change an object's properties dynamically, for example, Visual Basic code can change the color on a form when the user enters a specific field value (Adamski, J. J., C. Hommel and K. T. Finnegan, 1998; Schneider, D. I. 1998).

Weed is one of the important factors that decrease crop yield. It has been proved that it is impossible to wipe out weeds completely (Li, S. and Z. Gao. 1990). Destroying weeds excessively has brought about a series of ecological problems such as soil erosion, herbicide resistance, herbicide residues in ground and surface water, toxicity to non-target organisms and potential for contamination of the environment (Gould, 1995, and Maxwell et al, 1990). These problems have gained worldwide attention, and a number of highly effective, selective postemergence herbicides have been developed for use in different crop fields to control weeds (Wilkerson et al, 1991). These new chemicals provide the opportunity to shift from a preventive to a remedial approach to weed control. Traditional weed control systems have included the use of the preplant incorporated or preemergence herbicides that must be applied before weeds emerge. By delaying a herbicide use decision until after crop and weed emergence, a producer can assess the weed problems more accurately and reduce the risk of applying unnecessary or inappropriate chemicals (Hall et al, 1992, Radosevich, 1987 and Van Acker et al, 1993).

Choosing a suitable herbicide is a complex task in weed management (Stigliani et al, 1996). Prior to the present time the needed data were stored inefficiently, experimental information is often scattered over notebooks, computer files, and computers, while some could be stored only in the memories of people involved. Such information format can be the limiting factor in the weed control because these fragmented and often incompletely documented data are difficult to manipulate in an automated fashion due to the variety of storage formats employed (Van Evert et al, 1991).

and Muelier-Warrant, 1991). Furthermore, the structure of the available information does not facilitate the comparison of different herbicides. Therefore, developing a relational database for decision support on chemical weed control is necessary.

Objectives

The Objectives of the project described in this thesis are:

- To design a relational database structure and organize data reasonably and efficiently.
- To provide access to any important information related to relations among weeds, crops and herbicides.
- To connect the Visual Basic GUI to the database and provide a neat, user-friendly
 method for farmers and agricultural extension workers to access the databases
 needed for weed control and modify databases according to the latest research results.
- To provide weed scientists and farmers enough information to make decisions on herbicide selection and provide optimal weed control plan relative to various crop and weed growth stages.

Database Design

 Data Collection The needed data are obtained from relevant books, experimental reports and check with some agricultural extension specialists (Humbyrg, N. E., et al. 1989; Regehr, D. L., et al. 1995; Peterson, D. L. and D. L. Regihr, 1995). 2. Database Structure Database structure should be developed emulating the criteria used by an experienced consultant, furthermore, the herbicide choice can only be the optimum one by considering all the biological (of crop and weeds), biochemical (interaction herbicide/plant) and physical (interaction herbicide/soil or climate) factors involved in a specific situation (Stigliani et al, 1996). Therefore, the relationships among crop, weed, herbicide, crop growth period, susceptible weed growth period and environmental conditions are considered when creating database. In order to assist farmers and agricultural extension workers in making decisions on herbicide selection and optimization for mixed weed infestations at various crop and weed growth stages, data are organized into the E-R diagram shown Figure 1.

The E-R diagram above indicates that the relationships between crop and herbicide, herbicide and weed, herbicide and rotational_crop, herbicide and compatible_product are many-to-many relationships, That is, each crop field can use different herbicides to control weeds, and each herbicide can be used in different crop field; one kind of herbicide can control many kinds of weeds, each weed can be controlled by many kinds of herbicides; each herbicide can affect several kinds of following season's crop growth, and a subsequent crop can be affected by different herbicides; each herbicide can mix with several kinds of other products to control weeds, and each product can mix with other different herbicides.

A relational database can be used to meet these requirements because a relational database can store a large amount of data, deal with minimal values, record data without connections and perform links among data values. Besides these, a relational database

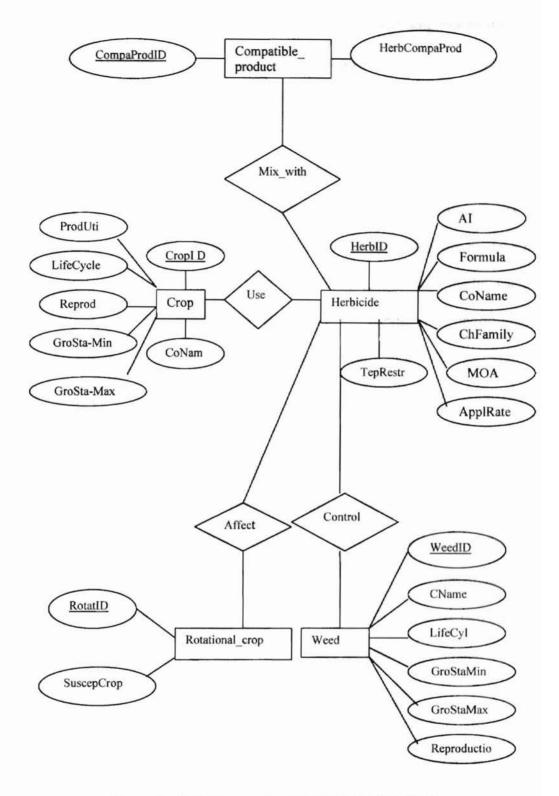


Figure 1. E-R diagram for chemical weed control

model requires data independence and structural independence, Using this model, it is easy to design the database and to manage its contents, and it has powerful and flexible query capability (Ullman, J. D. 1988 and 1989; Peter, R. and C. Coronel, 1997: Ramakrishnan, R, 1998; Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998; Zhang, L. and K. Liu, 1993; Codd, E. F. 1970 & 1979; Chen P.P. 1976 and Bernstein P.A. 1976).

Other database models such as the hierarchical database model or the network database model are not suitable for these needs. In a hierarchical database model a tree structure is represented as a hierarchical path on the computer's storage media, each parent can have many children, but each child has only one parent. This one-to-many relationship restriction does not fit our studies (Peter, R. and C. Coronel, 1997 and Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998). Although network database model allows relationships among the records are decomposed into a series of sets, easy to implement M:N relationships and have sufficient data independence, this model is difficult to design and use properly, difficult to make changes in a database, it has very complex structure from the application programmer's point of view and complex navigational data access environment (Peter, R. and C. Coronel, 1997 and Silberschatz, A., H. F. Korth and S. Sudarshan, 1998). Therefore, in this studies, these two kinds of models are not used. We use only the relational database model to create and design our weed control database.

3. Database Table In order to avoid data redundancy, data is divided into the following tables:

Crop table

<u>Crop ID-number</u>, Common-name, Life-cycle, Minimal-growth-stage, Maximal-growth-stage, Reproduction, Product utilization.

Weed table

<u>Weed ID-number</u>, Common-name, Life-cycle, Minimal-growth-stage, Maximal-growth-stage, Reproduction.

Herbicide table

<u>Herbicide ID number</u>, Common-name, Chemical-family, Formulation, Mode-of-action, Active-ingredient, Application-rates, Temperature restrictions (Min or Max).

Rotational Crop table

Rotation ID number, Susceptible crop.

Compatible product table

Compatible product ID number, Herbicide compatible product.

Use table

Crop ID number, Herbicide ID number.

Control table

Herbicide ID number, Weed ID number.

Affect table

Herbicide ID number, Rotational crop ID number.

Mix with table

Herbicide ID number, Compatible product ID number.

4. Relational Schema

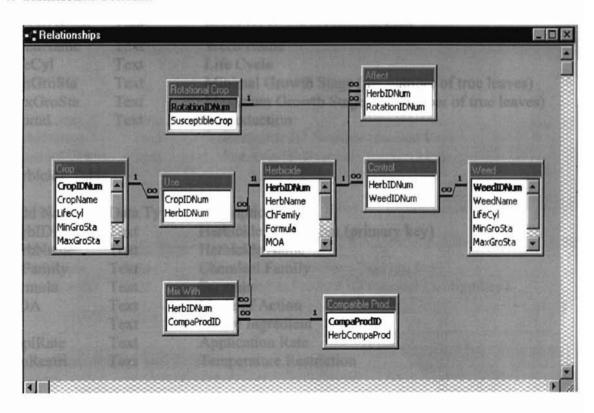


Figure 2. Relational Schema

5. The Table Structure:

Crop Table

Field Name	Data Type	Description
CropIDNum	Text	Crop ID Number (primary key)
CropName	Text	Crop Name
LifeCyl	Text	Life Cycle
MinGroSta	Text	Minimal Growth Stage (the number of true leaves)
MaxGroSta	Text	Maximum Growth Stage (the number of true leaves)
Reprod	Text	Reproduction
ProUtil	Text	Production Utilization

Weed Table

Field Name	Data Type	Description
WeedIDNum	Text	Weed ID Number (primary key)
WeedName	Text	Weed Name
LifeCyl	Text	Life Cycle
MinGroSta	Text	Minimal Growth Stage (the number of true leaves)
MaxGroSta	Text	Maximum Growth Stage (the number of true leaves)
Reprod	Text	Reproduction

Herbicide Table

Field Name	Data Type	Description
HerbIDNum	Text	Herbicide ID Number (primary key)
HerbName	Text	Herbicide Name
ChFamily	Text	Chemical Family
Formula	Text	Formula
MOA	Text	Mode of Action
AI	Text	Active Ingredient
ApplRate	Text	Application Rate
TepRestri	Text	Temperature Restriction

Rotational Crop Table

Field Name Data Type		Description		
RotationIDNum	Text	Rotational Crop ID Number (primary key)		

SusceptibleCrop Text Susceptible Crop

Compatible Product Table

Field Name Data Type Description

CompaProdID Text Compatible Product ID Number (primary key)

HerbCompaProd Text Herbicide Compatible Product

Use Table

Field Name Data Type Description

CropIDNum Text Crop ID Number (foreign key)
HerbIDNum Text Herbicide ID Number (foreign key)

Control Table

Field Name Data Type Description

HerbIDNum Text Herbicide ID Number (foreign key)
WeedIDNum Text Weed ID Number (foreign key)

Affect Table

Field Name Data Type Description

HerbIDNum Text Herbicide ID Number (foreign key)
RotationIDNum Text Rotation ID Number (foreign key)

Mix With Table

Field Name Data Type Description

HerbIDNum Text Herbicide ID Number (foreign key)

CompaProdID Text Compatible Product ID Number (foreign key)

6. Implementation and Loading

1). Create Tables:

- Open Microsoft Access 97
- Open Blank Database

- Create Database Name "Dbgao
- Create the table structure using Design view
- Specify the primary key and foreign key in different tables
- Save the table structure
- Input data into tables
- Create relationships among tables

2). Create Queries:

- cornherb: To find the crop name that is corn, herbicide name. Start a new
 query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and
 HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="corn", then click RUN
 button.
- cornherbweed: To find the crop name that is corn, herbicide name, and weed
 name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed
 table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify
 criteria CropName="corn", then click RUN button.
- sorghumherb: To find the crop name that is sorghum, herbicide name. Start a
 new query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and
 HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="sorghum", then click RUN
 button.
- sorghumherbweed: To find the crop name that is sorghum, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="sorghum", then click RUN button.

- soyherb: To find the crop name that is soybean, herbicide name. Start a new query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="soybean", then click RUN button.
- soyherbweed: To find the crop name that is soybean, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="soybean", then click RUN button.
- sunflowerherb: To find the crop name that is sunflower, herbicide name.
 Start a new query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field
 CropName and HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="sunflower", then click RUN button.
- sunflowerherbweed: To find the crop name that is sunflower, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="sunflower", then click RUN button.
- oatsherb: To find the crop name that is oats, herbicide name. Start a new
 query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and
 HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="oats", then click RUN
 button.
- oatsherbweed: To find the crop name that is oats, herbicide name, and weed
 name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed

- table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="oats", then click RUN button.
- wheatherb: To find the crop name that is wheat, herbicide name. Start a new query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="wheat", then click RUN button.
- wheatherbweed: To find the crop name that is wheat, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="wheat", then click RUN button.
- peanutherb: To find the crop name that is peanut, herbicide name. Start a
 new query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and
 HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="peanut", then click RUN
 button.
- peanutherbweed: To find the crop name that is peanut, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="peanut", then click RUN button.
- alfalfaherb: To find the crop name that is alfalfa, herbicide name. Start a new
 query, select the Crop table and Herbicide table, add field CropName and
 HerbName in query, specify criteria CropName="alfalfa", then click RUN
 button.

 alfalfaherbweed: To find the crop name that is alfalfa, herbicide name, and weed name. Start a new query, select the Crop table, Herbicide table and Weed table, add field CropName, HerbName and WeedName in query, specify criteria CropName="alfalfa", then click RUN button.

Connecting the Visual Basic GUI to the Databases

Visual basic is the programming language provided with Access (Adamski, J. J., C.Hommel and K. T. Finnegan. 1997). It communicates with databases through the data control (Schneider, D. I. 1998 and Schneider, D. I. 1999). In order to provide a neat, user-friendly method for farmer and agricultural extension workers to access the databases needed for weed control (Caldeira, C. P. and P. A. Pinto. 1998 and Pan, X., Hesketh, J. D. and M. G. Huck. 1998) and modify databases according to latest research results, Twenty-three forms have been created. One of them is a main form which is called Graphical User Interface For Weed Control. The main form contains 7 command buttons: Add New Records, Delete Records, Update Records, Find Records, Show Tables, Select Herbicide, and Exit (Figure 3).

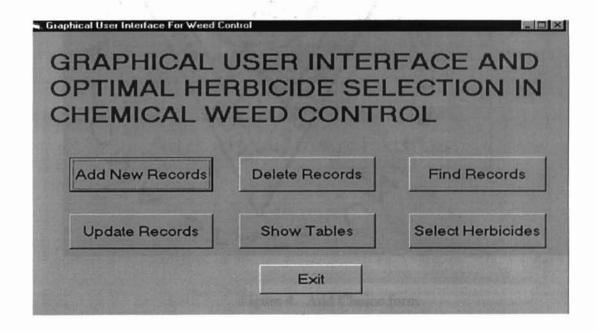


Figure 3. Graphical User Interface for weed control

If the first six buttons are clicked respectively, we are led to other forms to perform add new records, delete records, update records, find records, show the contents of different tables, and select optimal herbicides functions. If we want to stop running the program, we just click **Exit** command button.

Add New Records: If Add New Records button is clicked, we are led to
"Add Choice" form which contains five command buttons: Add Into Crop Table, Add
Into Weed Table, Add Into Herbicide Table, Add Into Other Tables and Return
(Figure 4). The first four command buttons are linked to other forms to direct us to add
information into different tables and Return button lets us to return to main menu.

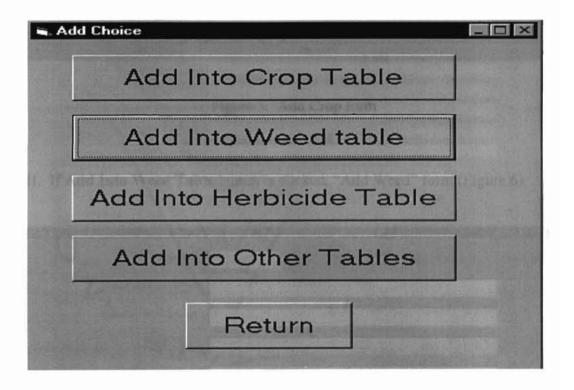


Figure 4. Add Choice form

I. If Add Into Crop Table button is clicked, "Add Crop" form (Figure 5) appears. Seven text boxes, including crop ID, crop name, life cycle, minimal growth

stage, maximum growth stage, reproduction, and production utilization, are liked to seven fields of "Crop" table in database, respectively. We can click **Add New Crop** button to add one or more new crop information into the crop table. If **Return** button is clicked, we return to "Add Choice" menu.

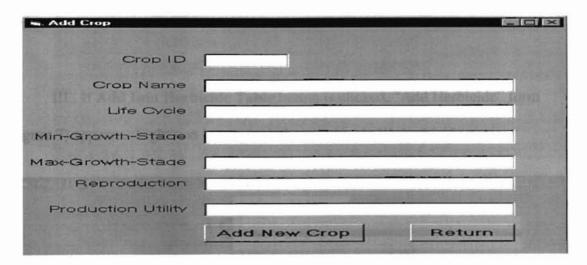


Figure 5. Add Crop form

II. If Add Into Weed Table button is clicked, "Add Weed" form (Figure 6)

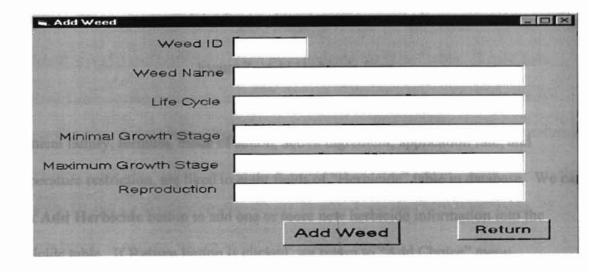


Figure 6. Add Weed form

appears. Six text boxes, including weed ID, weed name, life cycle, minimal growth stage, maximum growth stage, and reproduction, are liked to six fields of "Weed" table in database, respectively. We can click **Add Weed** button to add one or more new weed information into the weed table. If **Return** button is clicked, we return to "Add Choice" menu.

III. If Add Into Herbicide Table button is clicked, "Add Herbicide" form (Figure 7) appears. Eight text boxes, including herbicide ID, herbicide name,

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Herbicide Name		
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Formula		1000
Mode of Action		dsoft
Active Ingredient		
Application Rate		mai er
Temperature Restriction	min the Humanana Loop Harris -	DAME:
	Add Herbicide	
	Return	

Figure 7. Add Herbicide form

chemical family, formula, mode of action, active ingredient, application rate, and temperature restriction, are liked to eight fields of "Herbicide" table in database. We can click **Add Herbicide** button to add one or more new herbicide information into the herbicide table. If **Return** button is clicked, we return to "Add Choice" menu.

IV. If Add Into Other Tables button is clicked, then the "Add Others" form

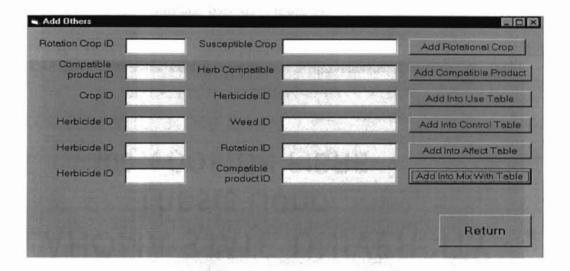


Figure 8. Add Others form

(Figure 8) appears on the screen. Different textboxes are linked to different fields of the related tables in the database. If Add Rotational Crop button is clicked, rotational crop ID and susceptible crop can be added into the "Rotational Crop" table. If Add Compatible product button is clicked, compatible product ID and herbicide compatible product can be added into the "Compatible Product" table. If Add Into Use Table button is clicked, crop ID and herbicide ID can be added into the "Use" table. If Add Into Control Table button is clicked, herbicide ID and weed ID can be added into the "Control" table. If Add Into Affect Table button is clicked, herbicide ID and rotation ID can be added into the "Affect" table. If "Add Into Mix With Table" button is clicked, herbicide ID and Compatible product ID can be added into the "Mix With" table. If Return button is clicked, we return to "Add Choice" menu.

Delete Records: If Delete Records button is clicked, we are led to "Delete Records" form which contains ten command buttons (Figure 9).

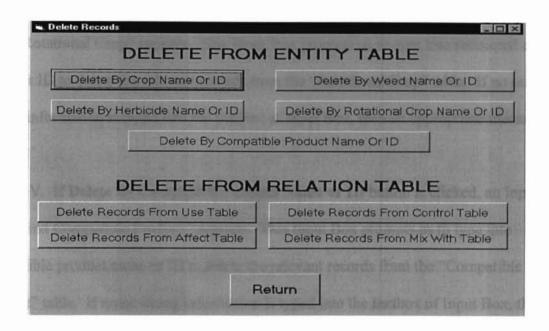


Figure 9. Delete Records form

- I. If **Delete By Crop Name or ID** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Crop" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type into crop name or crop ID to delete the relevant records from the "Crop" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, an appropriate message is given.
- II. If **Delete By Weed Name or ID** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Weed" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type into weed name or weed ID to delete the relevant records from the "Weed" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, a corresponding message is given.
- III. If Delete By Herbicide Name or ID button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Herbicide" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type into herbicide name or herbicide

ID to delete the relevant records from the "Herbicide" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.

- IV. If **Delete By Rotational Crop Name or ID** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Rotational Crop" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type into rotational crop name or ID to delete the relevant records from the "Rotational Crop" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.
- V. If **Delete By Compatible Product Name or ID** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Compatible Product" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type into compatible product name or ID to delete the relevant records from the "Compatible Product" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.
- VI. If **Delete Records From Use Table** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Crop" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type crop ID into the text box. Then another Input Box "Find Herbicide" is shown and it guides us to type herbicide ID into the text box. In this way we can delete the relevant records from the "Use" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.
- VII. If **Delete Records From Control Table** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Herbicide" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type Herbicide ID into the text box. Then another Input Box "Find Weed ID" is shown and it guides us to type Weed ID into the text box. In this way we can delete the relevant records from the "Control" table.

If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.

VIII. If **Delete Records From Affect Table** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Herbicide" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type herbicide ID into the text box. Then another Input Box "Find Rotational Crop ID" is shown and it guides us to type rotational crop ID into the text box to delete the relevant records from the "Affect" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.

IX. If **Delete Records From Mix With Table** button is clicked, an Input Box "Find Herbicide" appears. This Input Box prompts us to type herbicide ID into the text box Then another Input Box "Find Compatible Product" is shown and it guides us to type compatible product ID into the text box to delete the relevant records from the "Mix With" table. If no or wrong information is typed into the textbox of Input Box, then an appropriate message is given.

X. If **Return** button is clicked, we return to the menu "Delete Records".

Find Records: If Find Records button is clicked, "Find By Key Word" form shows up (Figure 10).

If crop ID or common name is typed into text box and then **Find Crop** button is clicked, the relevant crop information is shown on the picture box. Similarly, if weed ID or common name (or herbicide ID or common name) is typed into the text box and then **Find Weed** (or **Find Herbicide**) button is clicked, the information of weed (or herbicide) is shown on the picture box. If no or wrong information is input into the text box, prompt

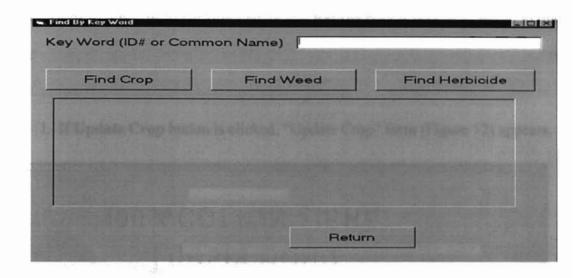


Figure 10. Find By Key Word form

or message is given. If Return button is clicked, we return to main menu.

4. Update Records: If Update Records button is clicked, we are led to "Update" form which contains four command buttons: Update Crop, Update Weed, Update Herbicide and Return (Figure 11). The first three command buttons are linked

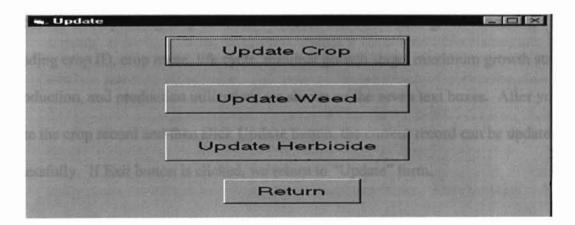


Figure 11. Update form

to other forms to direct us to perform update and **Return** button lead us to return to main menu.

If Update Crop button is clicked, "Update Crop" form (Figure 12) appears.

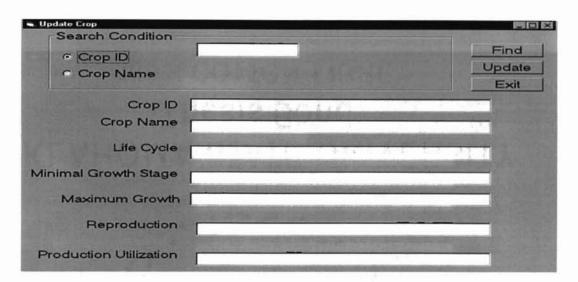


Figure 12. Update Crop form

If we type the search condition (Crop ID or Crop Name) into the text box and click **Find** button, the corresponding crop information record that conform to given condition, including crop ID, crop name, life cycle, minimal growth stage, maximum growth stage, reproduction, and production utilization, are shown on the seven text boxes. After you revise the crop record and then click **Update** button, the current record can be updated successfully. If Exit button is clicked, we return to "Update" form.

II. If Update Weed is clicked, "Update Weed" form (figure 13) is shown. If we type search condition (Weed ID or Weed Name) into the text box and click Find button, the corresponding weed information record that conform to given condition, including

weed ID, weed name, life cycle, minimal growth stage, maximum growth stage, and reproduction, are shown on the six text boxes. After you revise the weed record and then click **Update** button, the current record can be updated successfully. If Exit button is clicked, we return to "Update" form.

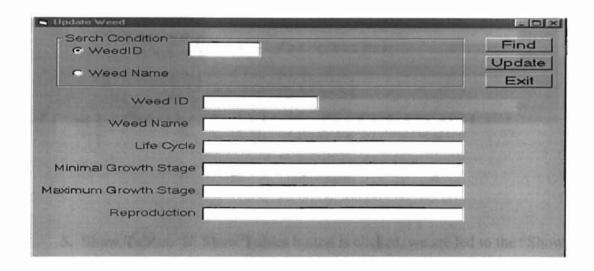


Figure 13. Update Weed form

III. If **Update Herbicide** is clicked, "Update Herbicide" form (figure 14) appears. If we type search condition (Herbicide ID or Herbicide Name) into the text box and click **Find** button, the corresponding herbicide information record that conform to given condition, including herbicide ID, herbicide name, chemical family, formula, mode of action, active ingredient, application rate, and temperature restriction, are shown on the eight text boxes. After you revise the herbicide record and then click **Update** button, the current record can be updated successfully. If Exit button is clicked, we return to "Update" form.

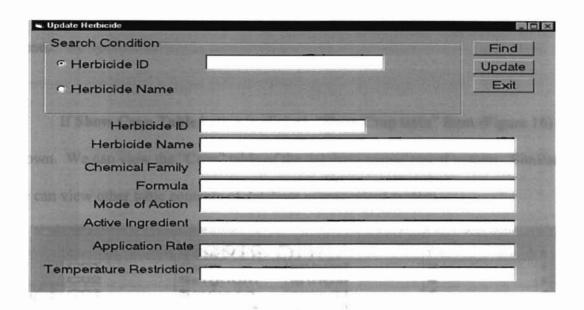


Figure 14. Update Herbicide form

5. Show Tables: If Show Tables button is clicked, we are led to the "Show tables" form which contains ten command buttons: Show Crop Table, Show Weed Table, Show Herbicide Table, Show Rotational Crop Table, Show Compatible Product Table, Show Use Table, Show Control Table, Show Affect table, Show Mix With Table and Return (Figure 15). The first nine command buttons are linked to other

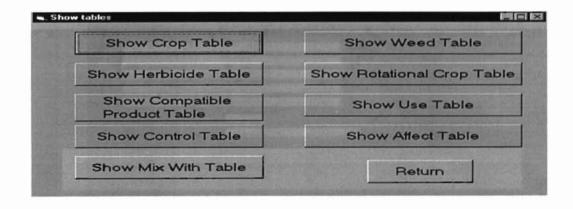


Figure 15. Show Tables form

forms to show different tables in the database and **Return** button lead us to return to main menu.

If **Show Crop Table** button is clicked, "Show Crop table" form (Figure 16) is shown. We can view the "Crop" table of the database management system. Similarly, we can view other table contents of database management system.

CropIDNum	CropName	LifeCyl	MinGroSta	1
C01	Corn	annual	3	1
C02	Sorghum	annual	4	5
C03	Soybean	annual	4	
C04	Sunflower	annual	3	1
C05	Oats	annual	4	1
C06	Wheat	winter annual	4	1
C07	Peanut	annual	4	1
C08	Alfalfa	perennial	4	
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Figure 16. Show Crop Table form

6. Select Herbicides: If Select Herbicides button is clicked, we are led to "Herbicide Selection" form (Figure 17). We can type the designated weeds, the number

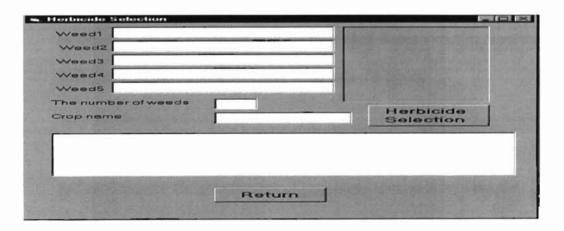


Figure 17. Herbicide Selection form

of weeds, and crop name into the different text boxes and then click **Herbicide Selection** button, the optimal herbicide combination can be found and shown in the list box. If no or wrong information is input into text boxes, proper message is given.

7. Exit: When Exit button is clicked, the running program terminates.

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Optimal Herbicide Selection

Selecting optimal herbicides is our main purpose. Realization of this goal needs the following processes:

- 1. Through database-driven queries, a list of herbicides that meet the biological and environmental requirements in different crop field can be obtained. The information on which herbicide can be used in which crop field, and which herbicide can control what weeds in specific crop field can be obtained. In the section of database design and establishment, the queries about the relationship between crop and herbicide, as well as the relationship between herbicide and weed in different crop field have been gained. These queries and their fields can be linked to "DataSource" and "DataField" of Visual basic 6.0 through the data control to complete the task of the optimal herbicide selection.
- 2. Check and ensure that crop growth stages are between the minimum and the maximum growth stage related to the crop herbicide tolerance. This information can be gained through clicking Find Records button from the main menu to trace the attributes of different crop tables.
- 3. The susceptibility to the herbicide is checked for each selected weed species, and ensuring that the growth stage of each weed species is between the minimum and maximum weed growth stages at which the herbicide is

- effective. We can get this information by clicking **Find Weed** button on the form of "Find By Key Word".
- 4. Since the weed flora is heterogeneous, single herbicide is difficult to meet the practical weed control requirements. In general, there are 1 to 4 different weeds that dominate the crop field. In order to meet the requirement that the farmers want to control as many weeds as possible, five different kinds of weeds can be designated in this program. The program can make comparisons among the active ingredients to select herbicides that control all the selected weeds.
- 5. In order to run a program to find the lowest number of herbicides controlling all the designated weeds quickly, an optimization program is run. This program utilizes a dynamic two by two list of herbicides and weed species. In fact, one herbicide can control several weeds and one weed can be killed by different herbicides. The first algorithm step is to create weed array and herbicide array. Weed array contains the weeds that will be controlled and herbicide array contains the herbicides that can be used in given crop field. The second algorithm step is to set up the matrix that describes the relationship between different herbicides and weeds. If this kind of herbicide can control this kind of weed, we record a "1" on the cross position of the herbicide and the weed. Otherwise, record a "0". The last algorithm step is to check the established matrix and make comparisons to find the lowest

number of herbicides controlling all the designated weeds. During the process of checking the matrix and making the comparisons, the program selects the herbicide that can kill the most weeds alone in the first turn. In the second turn, the program selects another herbicide that can control the most remaining weeds. In this way, the program selects an appropriate herbicide combination for weed control.

Summary, Conclusions and Future Work

Summary

This study uses the relational database model to create and design the weed control database. In order to avoid data redundancy, data is divided into nine tables:

Crop table, Weed table, Herbicide Table, Rotational Crop table, Compatible Product table, Use table, Control table, Affect table and Mix With table. The established database provides access to any important information related to relations among weeds, crops and herbicides, and it also provides a good foundation for choosing good herbicide combination in chemical weed control.

This study connects the Visual Basic GUI to the database and provides a neat, user-friendly interface for farmers and agricultural extension workers to access the databases needed for weed control and modify databases according to the latest research results. By clicking relevant keys on the GUI, users can add new records into the database table, delete records from the database, find records from the database, update records in the database, show table's contents of the database, and obtain the lowest number of herbicides controlling all the chosen weeds.

Conclusions

- This study provides access to any important information related to relations among weeds, crops and herbicides.
 - This study provides a neat, user-friendly interface for user to use and operate

the database easily, that is, user can freely add new records into the database table, delete records from the database, find records from the database, update records in the database, show table's contents of the database

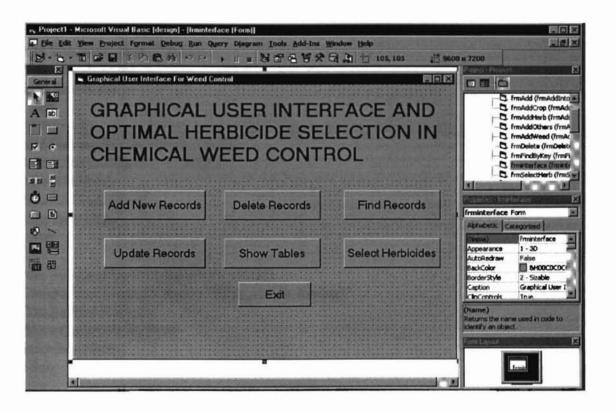
This study provides an optimization program. Through running this program,
 the lowest number of herbicides controlling all the chosen weeds is obtained.

Future Work

The results of this study need to be introduced to the farmers and agricultural extension workers as soon as possible with the help of the training classes. The farmers and agricultural extension workers can use this database and user-friendly interface easily and efficiently to use and operate weed control database and get the optimal herbicide combination for weed control.

Visual basic 6.0 Form and Code

1. Form frminterface and Code:



Private Sub cmdAdd_Click() frmAdd.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdDelete_Click() frmDelete.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdFind_Click() frmFindByKey.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub Private Sub cmdQuit_Click() End

End Sub

Private Sub cmdRoCrop_Click()
datRoCrop.RecordSource = "Rotational Crop"
datRoCrop.Refresh
frmShowRoCrop.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdSelect_Click() frmSelectHerb.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowAffect_Click()
datAffect.RecordSource = "Affect"
datAffect.Refresh
frmShowAffect.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowCompaProd_Click()
datCompaProd.RecordSource = "Compatible Product"
datCompaProd.Refresh
frmShowCompaProd.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowControl_Click()
datControl.RecordSource = "Control"
datControl.Refresh
frmShowControl.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowCrop_Click() datCrop.RecordSource = "Crop" datCrop.Refresh frmShowCrop.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowHerbicide_Click()
datHerb.RecordSource = "Herbicide"
datHerb.Refresh
frmShowHerb.Show

frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowMixWith_Click()
datMixWith.RecordSource = "Mix With"
datMixWith.Refresh
frmShowMixWith.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

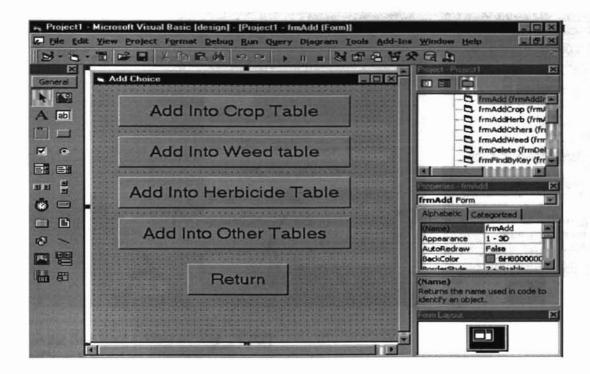
Private Sub cmdShowTables_Click() frmShowtable.Show frminterface.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowUse_Click()
datUse.RecordSource = "Use"
datUse.Refresh
frmShowUse.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowWeed_Click()
datWeed.RecordSource = "Weed"
datWeed.Refresh
frmShowWeed.Show
frminterface.Hide
End Sub

Private Sub cmdUpdate_Click() frminterface.Hide frmUpdate.Show End Sub

2. Form frmAdd and Code:



Private Sub cmdAddIntoCrop_Click() frmAdd.Hide frmAddCrop.Show End Sub

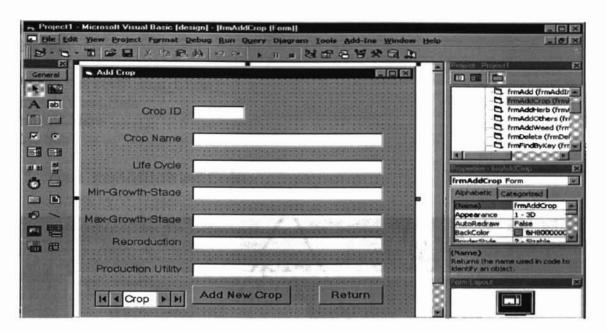
Private Sub cmdAddIntoherb_Click() frmAdd.Hide frmAddHerb.Show End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddIntoOthers_Click() frmAddOthers.Show frmAdd.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddIntoWeed_Click() frmAdd.Hide frmAddWeed.Show vbModal End Sub

Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmAdd.Hide frminterface.Show End Sub

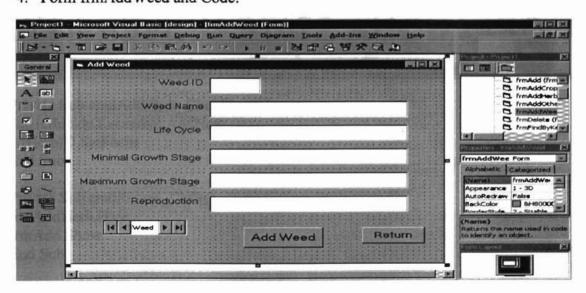
3. Form frmAddCrop and Code:



Private Sub cmdAddNewCrop_Click() datCrop.Recordset.AddNew txtCropIDNum.SetFocus End Sub

Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmAddCrop.Hide frmAdd.Show End Sub

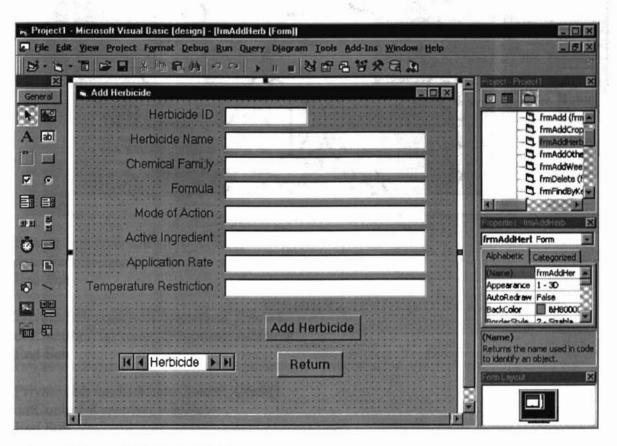
4. Form frmAddWeed and Code:



Private Sub cmdAddWeed_Click() datWeed.Recordset.AddNew txtWeedID.SetFocus End Sub

Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmAddWeed.Hide frmAdd.Show End Sub

5. Form frmAddHerb and Code:

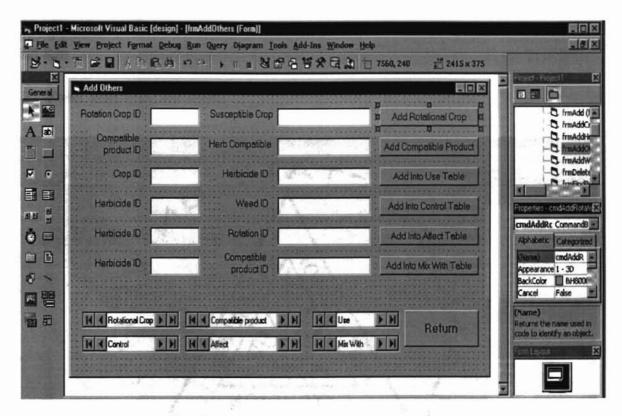


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Private Sub cmdAddHerb_Click() datHerbicide.Recordset.AddNew txtHerbID.SetFocus End Sub

Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmAddHerb.Hide frmAdd.Show End Sub

6. Form frmAddOthers and Code:



Private Sub cmdAddAffect_Click() datAffect.Recordset.AddNew End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddCompaProd_Click() datComPatibleProduct.Recordset.AddNew End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddIntoControl_Click() datControl.Recordset.AddNew End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddIntoUse_Click() datUse.Recordset.AddNew End Sub

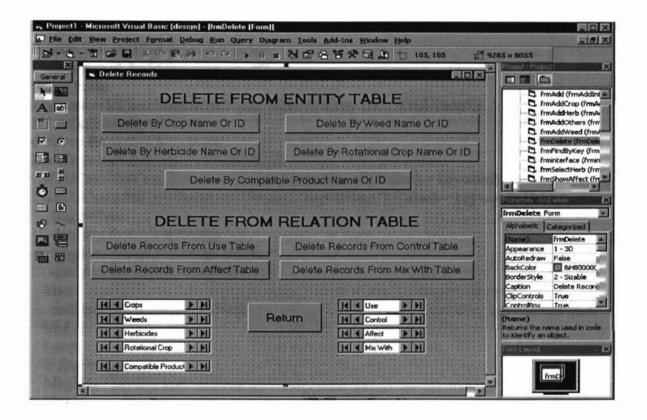
Private Sub cmdAddMixWith_Click() datMixWith.Recordset.AddNew End Sub

Private Sub cmdAddRotationalCrop_Click() datRotationalCrop.Recordset.AddNew End Sub Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmAddOthers.Hide frmAdd.Show End Sub

7. Form frmDelete and Code:

Else

datCompaProd.Recordset.MoveNext



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Private Sub cmdDeleteCompaProd_Click()

Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean

flag = False

keyword = UCase(InputBox("Compatible Product Name or ID", "Find Compatible product"))

If Len(keyword) > 0 Then

datCompaProd.Recordset.MoveFirst

Do While Not datCompaProd.Recordset.EOF

If (UCase(datCompaProd.Recordset.Fields("HerbCompaProd").Value) = keyword) _

Or (UCase(datCompaProd.Recordset.Fields("CompaProdID").Value) = keyword) Then

flag = True

datCompaProd.Recordset.Delete

MsgBox "record has been deleted", , ""

datCompaProd.Recordset.MoveNext

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End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of compatible product", , ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter compatible product name or ID". . ""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteCrop Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword = UCase(InputBox("Crop Name or Crop ID", "Find Crop"))
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
datCrop.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datCrop.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropName"), Value) = keyword)
 Or (UCase(datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropIDNum").Value) = keyword) Then
  flag = True
  datCrop.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted"...""
  datCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of Crop", , ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter crop name or crop ID", , ""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteFromAffect Click()
Dim keyword1 As String, keyword2 As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword1 = UCase(InputBox("Herbicide ID", "Find Herbicide"))
keyword2 = UCase(InputBox("Rotational Crop ID", "Find Rotational Crop"))
If Len(keyword1) > 0 And Len(keyword2) > 0 Then
datAffect.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datAffect.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datAffect.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword1)
 And (UCase(datAffect.Recordset.Fields("RotationIDNum").Value) = keyword2) Then
  flag = True
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datAffect.Recordset.Delete
   MsgBox "record has been deleted".. ""
   datAffect.Recordset.MoveNext
  Else
   datAffect.Recordset.MoveNext
  End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of records". . ""
 End If
Else
  MsgBox "Must enter Herbicide ID and Rotational Crop ID"...""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteFromControl Click()
Dim keyword1 As String, keyword2 As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword1 = UCase(InputBox("Herbicide ID", "Find Herbicide"))
keyword2 = UCase(InputBox("Weed ID", "Find Weed"))
If Len(keyword1) > 0 And Len(keyword2) > 0 Then
datControl.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datControl.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datControl.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword1)
 And (UCase(datControl.Recordset.Fields("WeedIDNum").Value) = keyword2) Then
   flag = True
  datControl.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted", , ""
  datControl.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
   datControl.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of records", , ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter Herbicide ID and Weed ID", , ""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteFromMixWith Click()
Dim keyword1 As String, keyword2 As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword1 = UCase(InputBox("Herbicide ID", "Find Herbicide"))
keyword2 = UCase(InputBox("Compatible Product ID", "Find Compatible Product"))
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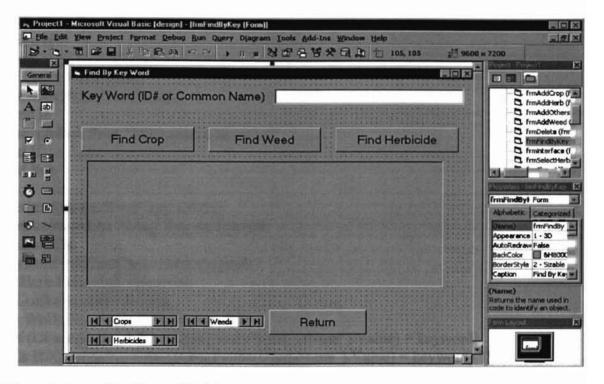
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If Len(keyword1) > 0 And Len(keyword2) > 0 Then
datMixWith.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datMixWith.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datMixWith.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword1)
 And (UCase(datMixWith.Recordset.Fields("CompaProdID").Value) = keyword2) Then
   flag = True
  datMixWith.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted".. ""
   datMixWith.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datMixWith.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of records", , ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter Herbicide ID and Compatible Product ID",, ""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteFromUse Click()
Dim keyword1 As String, keyword2 As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword1 = UCase(InputBox("Crop ID", "Find Crop"))
keyword2 = UCase(InputBox("Herbicide ID", "Find herbicide"))
If Len(keyword1) > 0 And Len(keyword2) > 0 Then
datUse.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datUse.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datUse.Recordset.Fields("CropIDNum").Value) = keyword1)
 And (UCase(datUse.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword2) Then
  flag = True
  datUse.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted",, ""
  datUse.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datUse.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of records",, ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter crop ID and crop ID", , ""
End If
End Sub
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Private Sub cmdDeleteHerb Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword = UCase(InputBox("Herbicide Name or ID", "Find Herbicide"))
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
datHerb.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datHerb.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) = keyword)
 Or (UCase(datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword) Then
  flag = True
  datHerb.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted".. ""
  datHerb.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datHerb.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of herbicide".. ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter Herbicide name or Herbicide ID", , ""
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteRoTationalCrop Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword = UCase(InputBox("Rotational Crop Name or ID", "Find Rotational Crop"))
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
datRoCrop.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datRoCrop.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datRoCrop.Recordset.Fields("SusceptibleCrop").Value) = keyword)
 Or (UCase(datRoCrop.Recordset.Fields("RotationIDNum").Value) = keyword) Then
  flag = True
  datRoCrop.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted", , ""
  datRoCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datRoCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of Rotational Crop", , ""
 End If
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Else
 MsgBox "Must enter Rotational Crop name or ID ", , ""
End Sub
Private Sub cmdDeleteWeed Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
flag = False
keyword = UCase(InputBox("Weed Name or Weed ID", "Find Weed"))
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
datWeed.Recordset.MoveFirst
Do While Not datWeed.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedName").Value) = keyword) _
 Or (UCase(datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedIDNum").Value) = keyword) Then
  flag = True
  datWeed.Recordset.Delete
  MsgBox "record has been deleted", , ""
  datWeed.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datWeed.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
 Loop
 If flag = False Then
 MsgBox "No this kind of weed", , ""
 End If
Else
 MsgBox "Must enter weed name or weed ID, , """
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdReturn Click()
frminterface.Show
frmDelete.Hide
End Sub
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8. Form frmFindByKey and Code:



Private Sub cmdFindCrop_Click()

Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
picBox.Cls
keyword = UCase(txtSearchKey.Text)
datCrop.Recordset.MoveFirst

If Len(keyword) > 0 Then

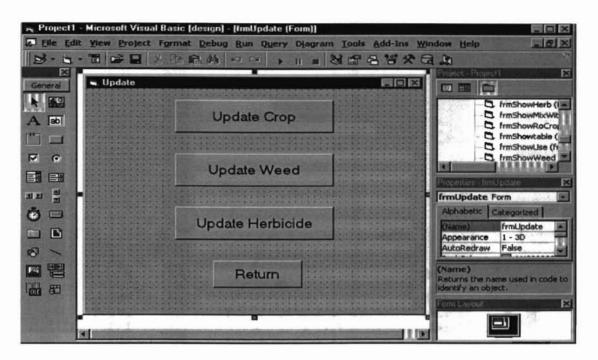
Do While Not datCrop.Recordset.EOF

If (UCase(datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropIDNum").Value) = keyword)
Or (UCase(datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropName").Value) = keyword) Then

flag = True picBox.Print "Crop ID#: "; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropIDNum").Value picBox.Print "Crop Name: "; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("CropName").Value picBox.Print "Life Cycle: "; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("LifeCyl").Value picBox.Print "Minimal Growth Stag:"; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("MinGroSta").Value picBox.Print "Maximum Growth Stage:"; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("MaxGroSta").Value picBox.Print "Reproduction: "; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("Reprod").Value picBox.Print "Product Utilization: "; Tab(30); datCrop.Recordset.Fields("ProUtil").Value

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datCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
   datCrop.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
Loop
 If flag = False Then
 picBox.Print "No Found"
 End If
Else: picBox.Print "Must enter a keyword"
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdFindHerb Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
picBox.Cls
keyword = UCase(txtSearchKey.Text)
datHerb.Recordset.MoveFirst
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
Do While Not datHerb.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value) = keyword)
 Or (UCase(datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) = keyword) Then
 flag = True
 picBox.Print "Herbicide ID#: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbIDNum").Value
 picBox.Print "Herbicide Name: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
 picBox.Print "Chemical Family: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("ChFamily").Value
 picBox.Print "Formula: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("Formula").Value
 picBox.Print "Mode of Action: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("MOA").Value
 picBox.Print "Active Ingredient: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("AI").Value
 picBox.Print "Application Rate: "; Tab(30);
 datHerb.Recordset.Fields("ApplRate").Value
 picBox.Print "Temperature Restriction: ";
 Tab(30); datHerb.Recordset.Fields("TepRestri").Value
 datHerb.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datHerb.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
Loop
 If flag = False Then
 picBox.Print "No Found"
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End If
Else: picBox.Print "Must enter a keyword"
End Sub
Private Sub cmdFindWeed Click()
Dim keyword As String, flag As Boolean
picBox.Cls
keyword = UCase(txtSearchKey.Text)
datWeed.Recordset.MoveFirst
If Len(keyword) > 0 Then
Do While Not datWeed.Recordset.EOF
 If (UCase(datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedIDNum").Value) = keyword)
 Or (UCase(datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedName").Value) = keyword) Then
 flag = True
 picBox.Print "Weed ID#:
                               "; Tab(30);
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedIDNum").Value
                                "; Tab(30);
 picBox.Print "Weed Name:
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("WeedName").Value
 picBox.Print "Life Cycle:
                              "; Tab(30);
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("LifeCyl").Value
 picBox.Print "Minimal Growth Stag:"; Tab(30);
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("MinGroSta").Value
 picBox.Print "Maximum Growth Stage:"; Tab(30);
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("MaxGroSta").Value
 picBox.Print "Reproduction:
                               "; Tab(30);
 datWeed.Recordset.Fields("Reprod").Value
 datWeed.Recordset.MoveNext
 Else
  datWeed.Recordset.MoveNext
 End If
Loop
 If flag = False Then
 picBox.Print "No Found"
 End If
Else: picBox.Print "Must enter a keyword"
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdReturn Click()
frmFindBvKey.Hide
frminterface.Show
End Sub
 9. Form frmUpdate and Code:
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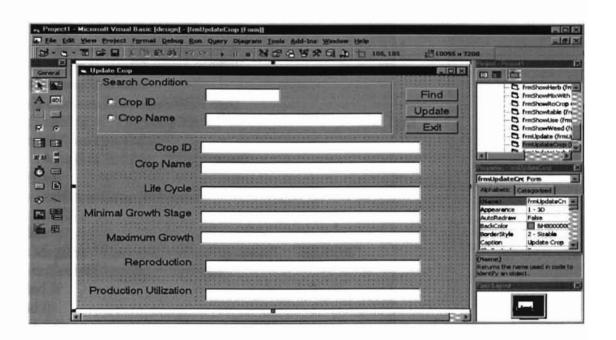
Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frminterface.Show frmUpdate.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdUpdateCrop_Click() frmUpdateCrop.Show frmUpdate.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdUpdateHerb_Click() frmUpdateHerb.Show frmUpdate.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdUpdateWeed_Click() frmUpdateWeed.Show frmUpdate.Hide End Sub

10. Form frmUpdateCrop and Code:



Option Explicit
Private Sub cmdExit_Click()
'optCropID.SetFocus
frmUpdateCrop.Hide
frmUpdate.Show
End Sub

```
Private Sub cmdFind Click()
Dim strSQL As String, strMsg As String
If optCropID = True Then
 If Trim(txtSearchCropID.Text) <> "" Then
  strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Crop WHERE CropIDNum=" & """ & _
     txtSearchCropID.Text & """
  datCrop.RecordSource = strSQL
  datCrop.Refresh
    If datCrop.Recordset.BOF Then
     strMsg = "The Crop ID Number" & txtSearchCropID.Text _
     & "isn't available"
     MsgBox strMsg, , "Not Found"
    Else
     txtCropName.SetFocus
    End If
 Else
   MsgBox "You must enter the searching Crop ID number", , "ERROR"
   txtSearchCropID.SetFocus
 End If
```

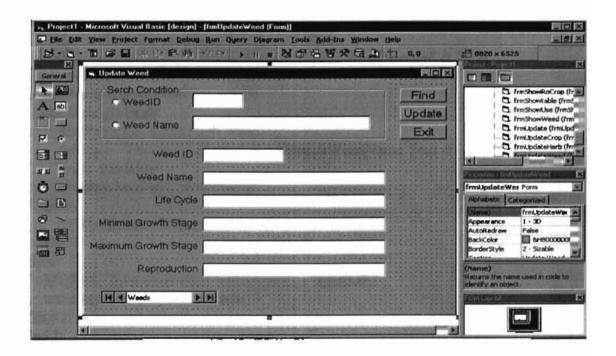
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Else
 If Trim(txtSearchCropName.Text) <> "" Then
   strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Crop WHERE CropName=" & """ &
      txtSearchCropName.Text & """
   datCrop.RecordSource = strSOL
   datCrop.Refresh
   If datCrop.Recordset.BOF Then
    strMsg = "The Crop Name " & txtSearchCropName.Text
    & " isn't available"
    MsgBox strMsg,, "Not Found"
    txtCropName.SetFocus
   End If
 Else
   MsgBox "You must enter crop name", , "ERROR"
   txtSearchCropName.SetFocus
 End If
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdUpdate Click()
'Update Crop table
If txtSearchCropID.Text = "" And txtSearchCropName.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must enter the search key", , "ERROR"
Else
If txtCropID.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must find first, then update", , "ERROR"
Else
datCrop.Recordset.Edit
datCrop.Recordset.Update
MsgBox "Crop Table has been updated", , "SUCCESS!"
End If
End If
End Sub
Private Sub Form Activate()
'clear the text boxes
optCropID.SetFocus
txtSearchCropID.Text = ""
txtSearchCropName.Text = ""
txtCropID.Text = ""
txtCropName.Text = ""
txtLifeCvl.Text = ""
txtMinGroSta.Text = ""
txtMaxGroSta.Text = ""
txtReprod.Text = ""
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txtProUtil.Text = ""
End Sub

Private Sub optCropID_Click()
'Select Crop ID as Searching Condition
txtSearchCropID.Text = ""
txtSearchCropID.Visible = True
txtSearchCropName.Visible = False
End Sub

Private Sub optCropName_Click()
'Select Crop Name As Searching Condition
txtSearchCropName.Text = ""
txtSearchCropID.Visible = False
txtSearchCropName.Visible = True
End Sub

11. Form frmUpdateWeed and Code:



Option Explicit
Private Sub cmdExit_Click()
'optWeedID.SetFocus
frmUpdateWeed.Hide
frmUpdate.Show

End Sub

```
Private Sub cmdFind Click()
Dim strSQL As String, strMsg As String
If optWeedID = True Then
 If Trim(txtSearchWeedID.Text) <> "" Then
  strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Weed WHERE WeedIDNum=" & """ &
     txtSearchWeedID.Text & """
  datWeed.RecordSource = strSOL
  datWeed.Refresh
   If datWeed.Recordset.BOF Then
     strMsg = "The Weed ID Number" & txtSearchWeedID.Text _
     & "isn't available"
     MsgBox strMsg, , "Not Found"
     txtWeedName.SetFocus
   End If
 Else
  MsgBox "You must enter the searching weed ID number", , "ERROR"
  txtSearchWeedID.SetFocus
 End If
Else
 If Trim(txtSearchWeedName.Text) <> "" Then
  strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Weed WHERE WeedName=" & """ &
      txtSearchWeedName.Text & """
  datWeed.RecordSource = strSQL
  datWeed.Refresh
  If datWeed.Recordset.BOF Then
    strMsg = "The Weed Name " & txtSearchWeedName.Text & _
    " isn't available"
    MsgBox strMsg, , "Not Found"
    txtWeedName.SetFocus
  End If
  MsgBox "You must enter weed name", , "ERROR"
  txtSearchWeedName.SetFocus
 End If
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdUpdate Click()
'Update Weed table
If txtSearchWeedID.Text = "" And txtSearchWeedName.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must enter the search key", , "ERROR"
Else
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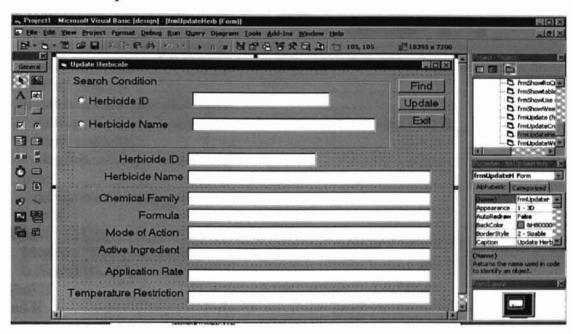
If txtWeedID.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must find first, then update", , "ERROR"
Else
datWeed.Recordset.Edit
datWeed.Recordset.Update
MsgBox "Weed Table has been updated", , "SUCCESS!"
End If
End If
End Sub

Private Sub Form_Activate()
'clear the text boxes
optWeedID.SetFocus
txtSearchWeedID = ""
txtSearchWeedName = ""
txtWeedID = ""
txtWeedName = ""
txtLifeCyl = ""
txtMinGroSta = ""
txtMaxGroSta = ""
txtReprod = ""
End Sub

Private Sub optWeedID_Click()
'Select Weed ID as Searching Condition
txtSearchWeedID.Text = ""
txtSearchWeedID.Visible = True
txtSearchWeedName.Visible = False
End Sub

Private Sub optWeedName_Click()
'Select Weed Name As Searching Condition
txtSearchWeedName.Text = ""
txtSearchWeedID.Visible = False
txtSearchWeedName.Visible = True
End Sub

12. Form frmUpdateHerb and Code:



Option Explicit

End If

```
Private Sub cmdExit_Click()
'frmUpdateHerb.Hide
frmUpdate.Show
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cmdFind Click()
Dim strSQL As String, strMsg As String
If optHerbID = True Then
 If Trim(txtSearchHerbID.Text) <> "" Then
  strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Herbicide WHERE HerbIDNum=" & """ &
     txtSearchHerbID.Text & """
  datHerb.RecordSource = strSQL
  datHerb.Refresh
   If datHerb.Recordset.BOF Then
     strMsg = "The Herbicide ID Number " & txtSearchHerbID.Text & ____
     " isn't available"
     MsgBox strMsg, , "Not Found"
   Else
     txtHerbName.SetFocus
   End If
 Else
  MsgBox "You must enter the searching Herbicide ID number", , "ERROR"
  txtSearchHerbID.SetFocus
```

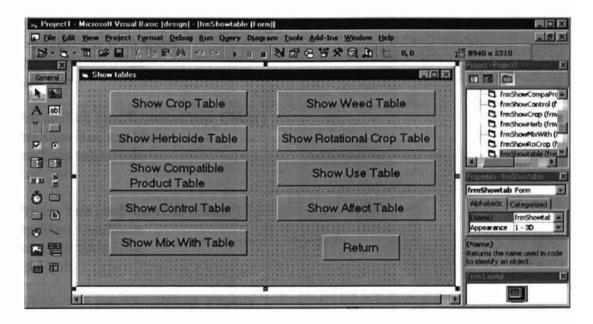
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Else
 If Trim(txtSearchHerbName.Text) <> "" Then
  strSQL = "SELECT * FROM Herbicide WHERE HerbName=" & """ &
      txtSearchHerbName.Text & """
   datHerb.RecordSource = strSOL
  datHerb.Refresh
  If datHerb.Recordset.BOF Then
    strMsg = "The Herbicide Name " & txtSearchHerbName.Text &
    " isn't available"
    MsgBox strMsg,, "Not Found"
    txtHerbName.SetFocus
  End If
 Else
  MsgBox "You must enter herbicide name", , "ERROR"
  txtSearchHerbName.SetFocus
End If
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdUpdate Click()
'Update Herbicide table
If txtSearchHerbID.Text = "" And txtSearchHerbName.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must enter the search key", , "ERROR"
Else
If txtHerbID.Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must find first, then update", , "ERROR"
Else
datHerb.Recordset.Edit
datHerb.Recordset.Update
MsgBox "Herbicide Table has been updated", , "SUCCESS!"
End If
End If
End Sub
Private Sub Form Activate()
'clear the text boxes
optHerbID.SetFocus
txtSearchHerbID.Text = ""
txtSearchHerbName.Text = ""
txtHerbID.Text = ""
txtHerbName.Text = ""
txtChFamily.Text = ""
txtFormula.Text = ""
txtMOA.Text = ""
txtAI.Text = ""
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txtApplRate.Text = "" txtTepRestri.Text = "" End Sub

Private Sub optHerbID_Click()
'Select Herbcide ID as Searching Condition
txtSearchHerbID.Text = ""
txtSearchHerbID.Visible = True
txtSearchHerbName.Visible = False
End Sub

Private Sub optHerbName_Click()
'Select Herbicide Name As Searching Condition
txtSearchHerbName.Text = ""
txtSearchHerbID.Visible = False
txtSearchHerbName.Visible = True
End Sub

13. Form frmShowtables and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowtable.Hide frminterface.Show End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowAffect_Click() frmShowAffect.Show frmShowtable.Hide

End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowCompaProd_Click() frmShowCompaProd.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowControl_Click() frmShowControl.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowCrop_Click() frmShowCrop.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowHerb_Click() frmShowHerb.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

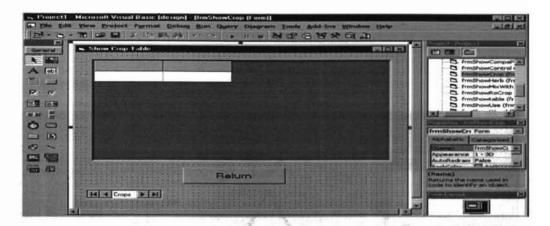
Private Sub cmdShowMixWith_Click() frmShowMixWith.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowRoCrop_Click() frmShowRoCrop.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowUse_Click() frmShowUse.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

Private Sub cmdShowWeed_Click() frmShowWeed.Show frmShowtable.Hide End Sub

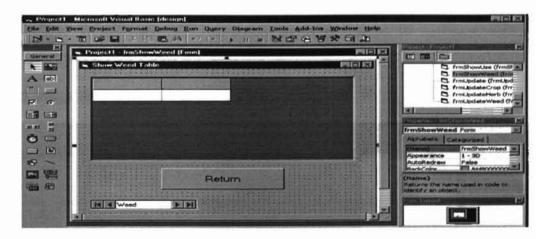
14. Form frmShowCrop and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowCrop.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

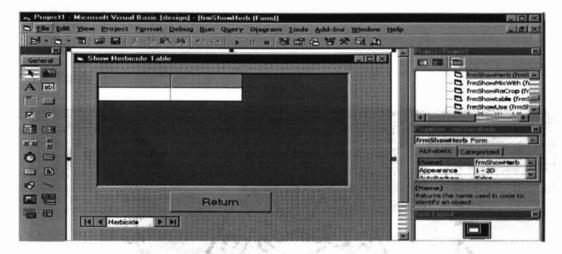
Private Sub msgCrop_Click() msgCrop.ColWidth(2) = 2000 msgCrop.ColWidth(5) = 2000 msgCrop.ColWidth(6) = 2000 End Sub

15. Form frmShowWeed and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowWeed.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub Private Sub msgWeed_Click()
msgWeed.ColWidth(1) = 2000
msgWeed.ColWidth(2) = 2000
End Sub

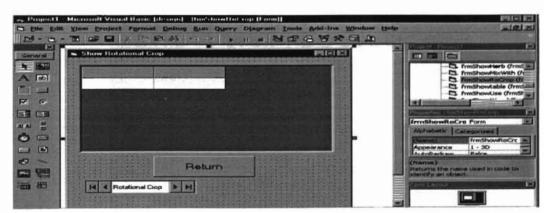
16. Form frmShowHerb and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowHerb.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

Private Sub msgHerb_Click() msgHerb.ColWidth(1) = 2000 msgHerb.ColWidth(2) = 2500 msgHerb.ColWidth(4) = 2500 End Sub

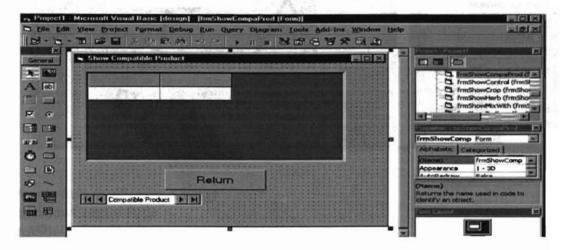
17. Form frmShowRoCrop and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowRoCrop.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

Private Sub msgRoCrop_Click() msgRoCrop.ColWidth(0) = 2000 msgRoCrop.ColWidth(1) = 2000 End Sub

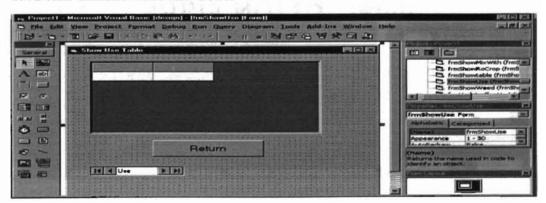
18. Form frmShowCompaProd and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowCompaProd.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

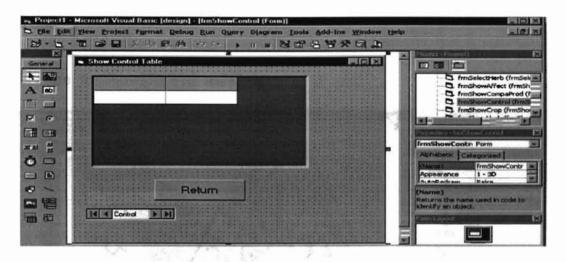
Private Sub msgCompaProd_Click()
msgCompaProd.ColWidth(1) = 2000
End Sub

19. Form frmShowUse and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowUse.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

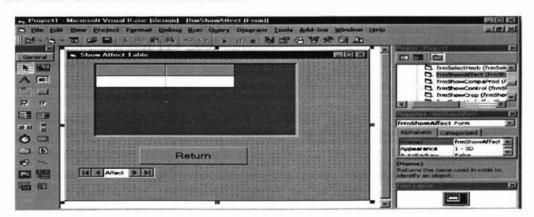
20. Form frmShowControl and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowControl.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

Private Sub msgControl_Click()
msgControl.ColWidth(0) = 2000
msgControl.ColWidth(1) = 2000
End Sub

21. Form frmShowAffect and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowAffect.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

Private Sub msgAffect_Click() msgAffect.ColWidth(0) = 2000 msgAffect.ColWidth(1) = 2000 End Sub

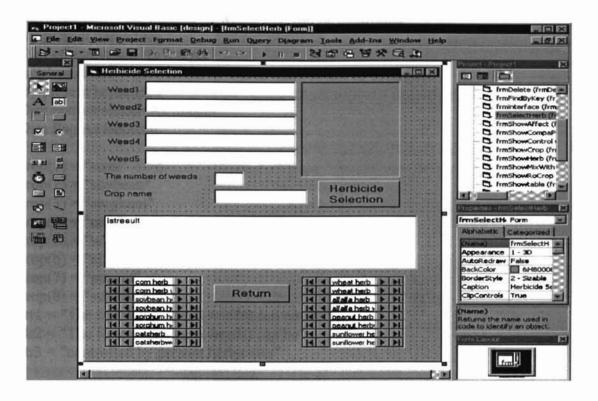
22. Form frmShowMixWith and Code:



Private Sub cmdReturn_Click() frmShowMixWith.Hide frmShowtable.Show End Sub

Private Sub msgMixWith_Click()
msgMixWith.ColWidth(0) = 2000
msgMixWith.ColWidth(1) = 2000
End Sub

23. Form frmSelectHerb and Code:



'This program is to select minimal herbicides to control weeds

' in the crop field

Private Sub cmdHerbSelection Click()

'weednum() define the number of weeds that will be probably controlled

Dim weednum(1 To 5) As String

'crop() define the number of crops

Dim crop(1 To 8) As String

Dim str1 As String, str2 As String, str3 As String, str4 As String

Dim i As Integer, j As Integer, k As Integer

'wnum represents the number of the weeds the farmers want to control Dim wnum As Integer

'q represents the number of herbicides that are being used in different 'crop fields, respectively

Dim q As Integer

Dim p As Integer

'count record the number of weeds in the loop

Dim count As Integer

'maxcount = the maximum number of weeds that can be controlled

'by one herbicide among all herbicides

Dim maxcount As Integer

' hbposition records the position of herbicide in the loop

Dim hbposition As Integer

'finalhbposition = the selected, desired herbicide's position.

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'this kind of herbicide can control maximum weeds
Dim finalhoposition As Integer
'ctrlweednum = the number of weeds that can be controlled
by present herbicides
Dim ctrlweednum As Integer
'nctrlweednum = the number of weeds that can not be controlled
'by present herbicides
Dim nctrlweednum As Integer
Dim flag As Boolean
crop(1) = "corn"
crop(2) = "soybean"
crop(3) = "sorghum"
crop(4) = "oats"
crop(5) = "wheat"
crop(6) = "alfalfa"
crop(7) = "peanut"
crop(8) = "sunflower"
str1 = "The following weed (weeds) can not be"
str2 = "The following weed (weeds) can be"
str3 = "controlled by present herbicides"
Rem initialization
ctrlweednum = 0
nctrlweednum = 0
count = 0
maxcount = 0
hbposition = 0
finalhbposition = 0
flag = False
picbox.Cls
Istresult.Clear
Rem assignment
wnum = Val(txtweednum.Text)
weednum(1) = txtweed1.Text
weednum(2) = txtweed2.Text
weednum(3) = txtweed3.Text
weednum(4) = txtweed4.Text
weednum(5) = txtweed5.Text
If txtweednum.Text = "" Or txtweed1.Text = ""
Or txtcrop. Text = "" Then
MsgBox "You must input the weeds that will be controlled," _
    + " The number of weeds and crop name at the same time", , ""
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Else

'weed() array store the number of weeds that farmers want to control ReDim weed(1 To wnum) As String

'determine if weeds appear in the corn field

Next i Next k

Next p

datcornherb.Recordset.MoveNext

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If crop(1) = txtcrop. Text Then
datcornherb.Recordset.MoveLast 'needed to set value of RecordCount
datcornherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datcornherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                         'array, used for recording
                         'which weed can be controlld
                         'by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For i = 1 To q
  herblist(i) = datcornherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
  datcornherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
 weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
   For k = 1 To wnum
datcornherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datcornherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datcornherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datcornherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datcornherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datcornherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) = (UCase
(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datcornherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weednum(k)))) Then
  matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
datcornherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
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'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
picbox.Print matrix(i, i);
Next i
picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the soybean field
If crop(2) = txtcrop.Text Then
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveLast 'needed to set value of RecordCount
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datsoyherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                         'array, used for recording
                         'which weed can be controlld
                         by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For j = 1 To q
herblist(j) = datsoyherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
  weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datsoyherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datsoyherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datsoyherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datsoyherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) = (UCase
(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datsoyherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
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datsoyherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
Next k
datsoyherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For i = 1 To wnum
   picbox.Print matrix(i, i);
 Next i
  picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the sorghum field
If crop(3) = txtcrop.Text Then
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datsorghumherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                         'array, used for recording
                         'which weed can be controlld
                         'by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For i = 1 To q
herblist(j) = datsorghumherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
  weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
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For i = 1 To datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) =
(UCase(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
 End If
 datsorghumherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
Next k
datsorghumherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
  picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
Next i
   picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the oats field
If crop(4) = txtcrop.Text Then
datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datoatsherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                         'array, used for recording
                         'which weed can be controlld
                         'by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For i = 1 To q
herblist(j) = datoatsherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveNext
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
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weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datoatsherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datoatsherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datoatsherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datoatsherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) =
(UCase(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datoatsherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
 datoatsherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
Next k
 datoatsherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
 picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
Next i
 picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the wheat field
If crop(5) = txtcrop.Text Then
datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
g = datwheatherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                          'array, used for recording
                          'which weed can be controlld
                          'by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For j = 1 To q
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herblist(j) = datwheatherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
  weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datwheatherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datwheatherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datwheatherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datwheatherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) =
(UCase(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datwheatherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
 datwheatherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
Next k
 datwheatherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
   picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
 Next j
   picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the alfalfa field
If crop(6) = txtcrop.Text Then
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datalfalfaherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
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'array, used for recording
'which weed can be controlld
'by which herbicide
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'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For j = 1 To q
herblist(j) = datalfalfaherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
  weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) =
(UCase(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
 datalfalfaherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
Next k
datalfalfaherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
   picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
 Next i
   picbox.Print
Next i
End If
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'determine if weeds appear in the peanut field

If crop(7) = txtcrop.Text Then
datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datpeanutherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
'array, used for recording
'which weed can be controlld
'by which herbicide

'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field

For j = 1 To q

herblist(j) = datpeanutherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveNext

Next j

'set up weed list that the farmers want to control

For i = 1 To wnum

weed(i) = weednum(i)

Next i

'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds

'and set up matrix

For p = 1 To q

For k = 1 To wnum

datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveFirst

datpeanutherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast datpeanutherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst

 $\label{eq:conditional_condition} For i = 1 \ To \ datpeanutherbweed. Recordset. RecordCount \\ If (UCase(datpeanutherbweed. Recordset. Fields("HerbName"). Value) = _ \\ (UCase(herblist(p)))) \ And (UCase(datpeanutherbweed. Recordset. Fields _ \\ ("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) \ Then \\ \\$

matrix(p, k) = 1

End If datpeanutherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext

Next i
Next k
datpeanutherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix

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For i = 1 To q
 For j = 1 To wnum
   picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
 Next i
   picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'determine if weeds appear in the sunflower field
If crop(8) = txtcrop.Text Then
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
q = datsunflowerherb.Recordset.RecordCount
ReDim herblist(1 To q) As String 'dynamically define herbicide array
ReDim matrix(1 To q, 1 To wnum) As Integer 'dynamically define two-way
                         'array, used for recording
                         'which weed can be controlld
                         'by which herbicide
'set up herbicide list that can be used in different crop field
For i = 1 To q
herblist(i) = datsunflowerherb.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next i
'set up weed list that the farmers want to control
For i = 1 To wnum
  weed(i) = weednum(i)
Next i
'compare and determine the relationship between herbicides and weeds
'and set up matrix
For p = 1 To q
 For k = 1 To wnum
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveLast
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveFirst
datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.MoveLast
datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.MoveFirst
For i = 1 To datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.RecordCount
If (UCase(datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.Fields("HerbName").Value) =
(UCase(herblist(p)))) And (UCase(datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.Fields
("WeedName"). Value) = (UCase(weed(k)))) Then
 matrix(p, k) = 1
End If
 datsunflowerherbweed.Recordset.MoveNext
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Next i
Next k
datsunflowerherb.Recordset.MoveNext
Next p
'print out matrix
For i = 1 To q
 For i = 1 To wnum
   picbox.Print matrix(i, j);
 Next i
   picbox.Print
Next i
End If
'ctrlweed() store the weeds that can be
'controlledby present herbicides
ReDim ctrlweed(1 To wnum) As Integer
'nctrlweed() store the weeds that can't be
'controlled by present herbicides
ReDim nctrlweed(1 To wnum) As Integer
Call seekmaxcount(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(), maxcount,
             finalhbposition, ctrlweed(), nctrlweed(), _
             ctrlweednum, nctrlweednum, hbposition, count,
             str1, str2, str3)
  Select Case maxcount
   Case 0
    Call zeroweed
   Case 1
    Call oneweed(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(), maxcount,
            finalhbposition, ctrlweed(), nctrlweed(),
            ctrlweednum, nctrlweednum)
   Case 2
     Call twoweed(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(), maxcount, _
            finalhbposition, ctrlweed(), nctrlweed(),
            ctrlweednum, nctrlweednum)
   Case 3
     Call threeweed(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(),
              maxcount, finalhbposition, ctrlweed(),
              nctrlweed(), ctrlweednum, nctrlweednum)
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Case 4
     Call fourweed(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(), maxcount,
             finalhbposition, ctrlweed(), nctrlweed(),
             ctrlweednum, nctrlweednum)
   Case 5
     Call fiveweed(wnum, q, matrix(), herblist(), weed(), maxcount,
       finalhoposition, ctrlweed(), nctrlweed(), ctrlweednum,
       nctrlweednum)
  End Select
End If
End Sub
Public Sub zeroweed()
Istresult.AddItem " the present herbicides can not control any"
+ " one of those weeds."
End Sub
Public Sub oneweed(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix()
           As Integer, herblist() As String, weed() As String,
           maxcount As Integer, finalhbposition As Integer,
           ctrlweed() As Integer, nctrlweed() As Integer,
           ctrlweednum As Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer)
'The maximum number of the weeds controlled by individual herbicide is one
Dim weedname As String
num = ctrlweednum - maxcount
If maxcount = 1 And ctrlweednum = 1 Then
For i = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  weedname = weed(i)
  End If
Next j
lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control " + weedname
lstresult.AddItem ""
End If
If maxcount = 1 And ctrlweednum > 1 Then
For i = 1 To wnum
   For i = 1 To q
    If matrix(j, i) = 1 And ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
    lstresult.AddItem herblist(j) + " can control " + weed(i)
    End If
   Next i
  Next i
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End If
End Sub
Public Sub twoweed(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix() As Integer,
           herblist() As String, weed() As String, maxcount As
           Integer, finalhbposition As Integer, ctrlweed() As
           Integer, nctrlweed() As Integer, ctrlweednum As
           Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer)
'Tme maximum number of the weeds controlled by individul herbicide is two
Dim weedname As String
Dim num As Integer, hbpos As Integer, count1 As Integer, bigcount As Integer, lastpos
As Integer
Dim twoarr(1 To 5) As Integer
Dim twoarry(1 To 5)
Dim flag As Boolean, flag1 As Boolean
flag1 = False
flag = False
hbpos = 0
lastpos = 0
count1 = 0
bigcount = 0
If maxcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 2 Then
lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control "
For i = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  weedname = weed(j)
  lstresult.AddItem weedname
  End If
Next i
End If
If maxcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 3 Then
   lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
   For j = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(finalhbposition, j) = 1 Then
   lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
   End If
 Next i
 lstresult.AddItem ""
 For i = 1 To q
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For j = 1 To wnum
      If flag1 = False And matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1
      And matrix(finalhbposition, j) 

○ 1 Then
      lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
      Istresult.AddItem weed(i)
      flag1 = True
      End If
    Next i
   Next i
End If
If maxcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 4 Then
   lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
   For j = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(finalhbposition, j) = 1 Then
   lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
   Else: twoarr(i) = 1
   End If
 Next j
 lstresult.AddItem ""
ReDim herbpos(1 To q) As Integer
For i = 1 To q
   For j = 1 To wnum
    If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
    And twoarr(i) = 1 Then
    count1 = count1 + 1
    hbpos = i
    End If
   Next i
    If count 1 > bigcount Then
     bigcount = count1
     lastpos = hbpos
     End If
     count1 = 0
  Next i
  'Istresult.AddItem bigcount
  If bigcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 4 Then
    lstresult.AddItem herblist(lastpos) + " can control "
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For i = 1 To wnum
      For j = 1 To q
        If matrix(j, i) = 1 And ctrlweed(i) = 1 And herblist(j) = herblist(lastpos) Then
        lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
        End If
      Next i
    Next i
 End If
 If bigcount = 1 And ctrlweednum = 4 Then
  For i = 1 To q
    For j = 1 To wnum
     If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
     And twoarr(i) = 1 Then
     lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
     lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
     End If
    Next j
  Next i
 End If
 End If
 If maxcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
  lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
  For j = 1 To wnum
  If matrix(finalhbposition, j) = 1 Then
  lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
  Else: two arry(i) = 1
  End If
Next i
Istresult.AddItem ""
For i = 1 To q
  For j = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
   And twoarry(j) = 1 Then
   count1 = count1 + 1
   hbpos = i
   End If
  Next i
    If count 1 > bigcount Then
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bigcount = count1
   lastpos = hbpos
   End If
   count1 = 0
Next i
lstresult.AddItem bigcount
If bigcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
  lstresult.AddItem herblist(lastpos) + " can control "
  For i = 1 To wnum
     For j = 1 To q
       If matrix(i, i) = 1 And ctrlweed(i) = 1 And herblist(i) = herblist(lastpos) Then
       lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
     Else: two arry(i) = 1
       End If
     Next i
   Next i
Istresult.AddItem ""
' print out the fifth herbicide and the controlled weed
 For i = 1 To q
   For i = 1 To wnum
    If flag1 = False And matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1
     And matrix(finalhbposition, j) \Leftrightarrow 1 And matrix(lastpos, j) \Leftrightarrow 1 Then
    lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
    lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
    flag1 = True
    End If
   Next i
 Next i
 End If
If bigcount = 1 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
 For i = 1 To q
   For j = 1 To wnum
    If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
    And twoarry(i) = 1 Then
    lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
    lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
    End If
   Next i
 Next i
End If
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End If
End Sub
Public Sub threeweed(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix() As Integer, herblist() As
String,
weed() As String, maxcount As Integer, finalhoposition As Integer, ctrlweed() As
Integer.
nctrlweed() As Integer, ctrlweednum As Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer)
'Tme maximum number of the weeds controlled by individul herbicide is three
Dim weedname As String
Dim num As Integer, hbpos As Integer, count1 As Integer, bigcount As Integer, lastpos
As Integer
Dim twoarr(1 To 5) As Integer
Dim twoarry(1 To 5)
Dim flag As Boolean, flag 1 As Boolean
flag1 = False
flag = False
hbpos = 0
lastpos = 0
count1 = 0
bigcount = 0
'Istresult.AddItem ""
'lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control three weed"
If maxcount = 3 And ctrlweednum = 3 Then
lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control "
For i = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  weedname = weed(j)
  Istresult.AddItem weedname
  End If
Next i
End If
If maxcount = 3 And ctrlweednum = 4 Then
   lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
   For i = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(finalhoposition, j) = 1 Then
   lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
   End If
 Next i
Istresult.AddItem ""
 For i = 1 To q
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For j = 1 To wnum
      If flag1 = False And matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1
      And matrix(finalhbposition, j) <> 1 Then
      lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
      lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
      flag1 = True
      End If
     Next i
   Next i
End If
If maxcount = 3 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
   lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
   For j = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(finalhbposition, j) = 1 Then
   lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
   Else: twoarr(j) = 1
   End If
 Next i
lstresult.AddItem ""
ReDim herbpos(1 To q) As Integer
For i = 1 To q
   For j = 1 To wnum
    If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
    And twoarr(j) = 1 Then
    count1 = count1 + 1
    hbpos = i
    End If
   Next i
    If count 1 > bigcount Then
     bigcount = count1
     lastpos = hbpos
     End If
     count1 = 0
  Next i
  Istresult.AddItem bigcount
  If bigcount = 2 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
    lstresult.AddItem herblist(lastpos) + " can control "
    For i = 1 To wnum
      For j = 1 To q
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If matrix(j, i) = 1 And ctrlweed(i) = 1 And herblist(j) = herblist(lastpos)
        And twoarr(i) = 1 Then
        lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
        End If
       Next i
    Next i
  End If
 If bigcount = 1 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
   For i = 1 To a
     For j = 1 To wnum
      If matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1 And herblist(i) \Leftrightarrow herblist(finalhyposition)
      And twoarr(j) = 1 Then
      lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
      lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
      End If
    Next i
   Next i
  End If
End If
End Sub
Public Sub fourweed(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix() As Integer, herblist() As
String,
weed() As String, maxcount As Integer,
finalhbposition As Integer, ctrlweed() As Integer, nctrlweed() As Integer,
ctrlweednum As Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer)
'four weeds can be controlled by one herbicide
Dim weedname As String
num = ctrlweednum - maxcount
If maxcount = 4 And ctrlweednum = 4 Then
lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control "
For j = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(j) = 1 Then
  weedname = weed(i)
  Istresult.AddItem weedname
  End If
Next i
End If
lstresult.AddItem ""
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If maxcount = 4 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
   lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control"
   For i = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(finalhoposition, j) = 1 Then
   lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
   End If
 Next i
lstresult.AddItem ""
 For i = 1 To q
     For i = 1 To wnum
      If flag1 = False And matrix(i, j) = 1 And ctrlweed(j) = 1
      And matrix(finalhbposition, j) <> 1 Then
      lstresult.AddItem herblist(i) + " can control "
      lstresult.AddItem weed(j)
      flag1 = True
      End If
    Next i
   Next i
End If
End Sub
Public Sub fiveweed(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix() As Integer, herblist() As
String,
weed() As String, maxcount As Integer,
finalhbposition As Integer, ctrlweed() As Integer, nctrlweed() As Integer,
ctrlweednum As Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer)
' five weeds can be controlled by one herbicide
Dim weedname As String
'lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control five weed"
If maxcount = 5 And ctrlweednum = 5 Then
lstresult.AddItem herblist(finalhbposition) + " can control "
For i = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  weedname = weed(i)
  lstresult.AddItem weedname
  End If
Next i
End If
End Sub
Private Sub cmdReturn Click()
frmSelectHerb.Hide
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frminterface.Show
End Sub
Public Sub seekmaxcount(wnum As Integer, q As Integer, matrix() As Integer, herblist()
As String,
weed() As String, maxcount As Integer,
finalhbposition As Integer, ctrlweed() As Integer, nctrlweed() As Integer,
ctrlweednum As Integer, nctrlweednum As Integer, hbposition As Integer,
count As Integer, str1 As String, str2 As String, str3 As String)
'This sub procedure is to find out the maximum number of the weeds controlled
'by individual herbicide
Dim i As Integer, j As Integer
Dim MaxNum As String
For i = 1 To wnum
  For i = 1 To q
    If matrix(i, i) = 1 Then
      ctrlweed(i) = 1
    End If
  Next i
    If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
      ctrlweednum = ctrlweednum + 1
    End If
    If ctrlweed(i) <> 1 Then
      nctrlweed(i) = 1
      nctrlweednum = nctrlweednum + 1
    End If
Next i
For i = 1 To q
 For i = 1 To wnum
   If matrix(i, j) = 1 Then
   count = count + 1
   hbposition = i
   End If
 Next i
    If count > maxcount Then
      maxcount = count
      finalhbposition = hbposition
    End If
      count = 0
Next i
If nctrlweednum \Leftrightarrow 0 And maxcount \Leftrightarrow 0 Then
Istresult.AddItem ""
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lstresult.AddItem str1
lstresult.AddItem str3
For i = 1 To wnum
  If nctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
  End If
Next i
End If
lstresult.AddItem ""
lstresult.AddItem str2
lstresult.AddItem str3
For j = 1 To wnum
  If ctrlweed(i) = 1 Then
  lstresult.AddItem weed(i)
  End If
Next i
End If
If maxcount = 0 Then
 MaxNum = "zero"
End If
If maxcount = 1 Then
 MaxNum = "one"
End If
If maxcount = 2 Then
 MaxNum = "two"
End If
If maxcount = 3 Then
 MaxNum = "three"
End If
If maxcount = 4 Then
 MaxNum = "four"
End If
If maxcount = 5 Then
 MaxNum = "five"
End If
  lstresult.AddItem ""
  lstresult.AddItem "The maximum number of weeds controlled "
  lstresult.AddItem "by individual herbicide is " + MaxNum
  Istresult.AddItem ""
End Sub
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