

# Ag Data Viewer - File Structure

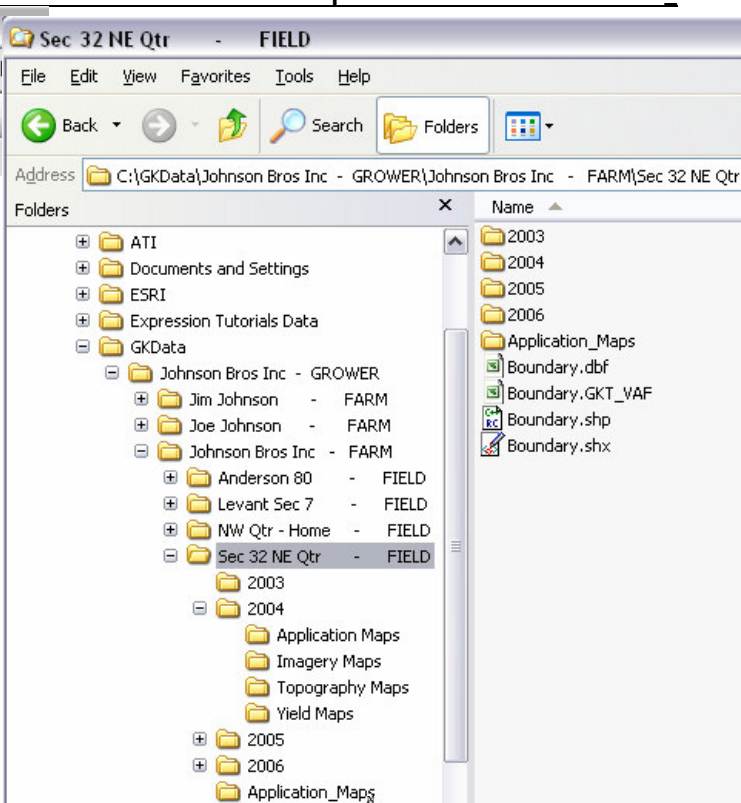
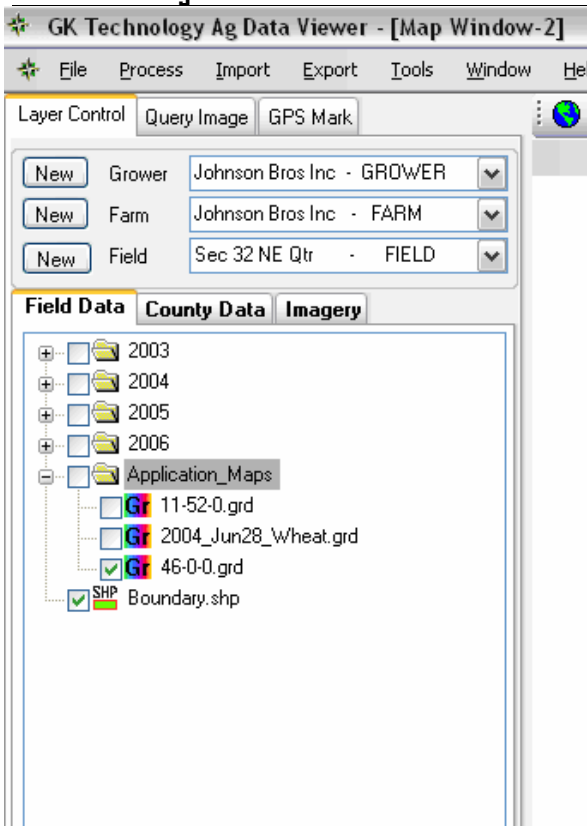
## File Storage & Structure Layout

When you open up ADV you will find that every window has Grower-Farm-Field as drop downs in the upper left corner of every window. This is how you select the Field and Files you want to work with. Also, the names that you see in these drop downs are going to print on the side of most of the maps. Ag Data Viewer software is based on a very simple folder file format. When you go to Windows Explorer to look at your folders and files, the names you see on the folders in the "GKData" folder are the same as you will see in Ag Data viewer. You can name, rename and create folders in either ADV or Windows Explorer (you may get errors in both windows if you have files open in the folders you are renaming).

Below is an example of how to build your file structure. If you are a farm with only one entity, then use this structure (ex. Grower-"Johnson Bros Inc" & "Farm-Johnson Bros Inc" then your Fields). Take note of Field "Sec 32 NE Qtr", it is populated with folders of years. At the end of each year you place all your data into a completed year folder. Using some sort of file structure similar to the "2004" example (Application, Imagery, Yield and Topography folders). If you only collect "Topography" data every few years you may want to move that up one level to be stored in the "Field" folder. Only create Folders for information that is there, having an empty "Topography" folder stored in a "Year" folder can be confusing. It may make you think you collected data that year when you really did NOT. If the field is farmed as one field year in and year out, the "Boundary" file should stay in the "Field" folder. If you farm the field differently every year, the "Boundary" should be stored in the "Year" folder. As you finish each project throughout the year, go ahead and create a folder, ex. "Application Maps", then at the end of the year create a "2007" folder and move your "Application", "Yield" and "Topography" folders into the "Year" folder. This will make you a quicker and more efficient user of ADV and know where all your files are at from year to year.

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Windows Explorer



Quick Notes on File Structure