Tips to reduce wind damage to swaths

Thin crops and high winds can lead to heavy shattering losses if swaths start to roll. Here are tips to reduce potential losses from swaths blowing:

— Swath parallel to the typical prevailing winds in the area.
— Cut the plants as high as possible, just below the lowest pod.
— Using a properly adjusted swath roller, push down the swath so that the edges are nestled into the stubble. Because the swath will be on or close to the ground, curing and/or dry down time may take longer.