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2007 CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENT WINNERS

This year, the Morton County Soil Conservation District selected the Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory (NGPRL) as the 2007 Conservation Achievement Winners.

The NGPRL operates over 2,500 acres for research purposes. They conduct field-size research on crops. They use no-till and many other conservation practices, such as: farmstead and feedlot shelterbelts, grassed waterways, and field windbreaks.

They also conduct research on grasses and livestock. The lab has installed over 5 miles of pipeline, 20-tanks, 3 ponds, 60 acres of pasture and hayland plantings, 45 acres seeded back to rangeland, and use a planned grazing system on 1,500 acres.

The Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory, along with the Area IV Research Farm, hosts an annual "Friends and Neighbors Day". The general public is invited to the lab for tours of the farm, walking tours of the campus, and fun entertainment for the kids. A meal and entertainment is also provided.

Congratulations to Jon Hansen, Laboratory Director, and ALL the staff at the Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory. We appreciate all you do for conservation and agriculture.

