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USDA-ARS Dedication Ceremony – Quarantine Greenhouse complex USDA-ARS Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory, Sidney, MT Sunday, August 17, 2008, 4 p.m.

4:00 p.m.	Presentation of Colors National Anthem	Montana National Guard Ms. Deniece Schwab, Sidney
	Welcome	Sidney Mayor Bret Smelser
	Recognition of Special Guests & Agency Remarks	Dr. Will Blackburn, Northern Plains Area Director, USDA-ARS
	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Dr. Will Blackburn
	Keynote Speaker	Sen. Max Baucus (MT)
	Written Greetings	Sen. Jon Tester (MT) Rep. Dennis Rehberg (MT)
	State Remarks	Mr. Ron de Yong, Director Montana Department of Agriculture
	Customer/Cooperator Remarks	Mr. Jim Larson, Board Member and Past Pres. North American Weed Mgt. Association
		Mr. Gary Adams, MT State Plant Health Director, USDA-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
	University Partner Remarks	Dr. Jerry Bergman, Director Eastern Agricultural Research Center, Sidney, MT Williston Research Extension Center, Williston
	Focus Group Remarks	Sen. Don Steinbeisser, Local Producer and Montana Sate Senator
5:00 pm	Ribbon Cutting	

Refreshments & Guided Tours

5:10 p.m. Guided Tours, Refreshments, & Displays – USDA-ARS Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory, Sidney, Montana



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