

Field Day near Stella to Focus on No-Till Cover Crops

(KTNC)--Farmers can learn more about cover crops during a field day Wednesday in Richardson County.

University of Nebraska Extension is sponsoring the Field Day at the Tom Howe farm west of Highway 75, near Stella. Howe has been continuous no-tilling for around 20 years and has incorporated cover crops into his cropping system.

UNL Extension Specialist Paul Jasa will discuss the use of cover crops in no-till systems. In addition to Jasa's presentation, Lance Gunderson from Ward Laboratories will discuss a new soil health test and issues related to soil health.

A soil scientist and other staff from the NRCS will conduct demonstrations on soil runoff, water infiltration, and discuss other soil properties.

Keith Berns of Green Cover Seed will also be on hand to discuss different cover crops and their uses in cropping systems.

The field day begins at 9:30 a.m., with registration and refreshments. The program begins at 10:00 a.m. and a free lunch will be served at the conclusion of the program.

The farm is located on 718 Road, five miles west of Highway 75 from the Stella corner. For those coming from the south from Humboldt, go north from the intersection of Highway 4 and 634 Avenue, the intersection just west of Humboldt Implement, four miles north to 718 Road. The field is on the south side of the road.

There is no cost to attend Wednesday's field day, but pre-registration is encouraged so they can plan for lunch. Questions about the field day can be directed to Gary Lesoing at the Nemaha County Extension office at 402-274-4755.

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