

Rolling Plains Field Tour

Practices to Improve Soil Health and Soil/Water Conservation



Evaluation

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3. Based on information that I received at this field tour, I plan to change my current farming plan.

Definitely Will Not		Undecided		Definitely Will
1	2	3	4	5

4. What are the main benefits you received from the field tour?

5. What would improve the field tour?

6. Number of Acres annually planted to small grains _____, cover crop _____, and/or summer crops _____.

7. Additional Comments (use the back, if necessary).

Results

Total attendees: 43

Evaluations: 28

1. How would you rate the quality of speakers?

4.61/5.00 (1=0, 2=0, 3=1, 4=9, and 5=18)

2. How would you rate the overall field tour?

4.64/5.00 (1=0, 2=0, 3=2, 4=6, and 5=20)

3. Based on information that I received at this field tour, I plan to change my current farming plan.

3.76/5.00 (1=0, 2=2, 3=8, 4=9, and 5=4)

75% of attendees would at least minimally change their operations based on the information they received from the field tour.

4. What are the main benefits you received from the field tour?

Cover crop knowledge

CEU, Knowledge

Knowledge

Learning about roots

Cover crops, root growth

Cowpeas

Saw extend of root penetration in soil

Understanding the value of cover crops and what they can do for the soil

How deep the roots to moisture

Species knowledge, termination

Cover crops selection

Practical info, meeting farmers using conservation

The different cropping and tillage practices

The different mixes to utilize for soil organic matter. The amount of legumes in forages mixes.

Soil health

Understanding!

Understanding the issues associated with cover crops

Learn from real life example and the sharing of the expertise knowledge and experience

Cover crop examples

Cold beer

Better Confidence

Listening to speeches and talking to other producers

Introduced to alternative cover crops to try. Learned moisture conserving & moisture consuming practices

The visuals of the mixes in several stages (early terminated, late terminated) will help me in

the future.

New species and techniques

5. What would improve the field tour?

Slower bus driver

Nothing

Good as is

Rain

Cold beer

Same type of format

Presenters microphone needs work, thicker posters

Cooler weather

Availability of empirical data from the various test plot experiments (Thus may be covering as more years of data are collected)

Nothing! This was planned, coordinated and executed wonderfully!

Have it in a wet year!

6. Number of Acres annually planted to small grains _____, cover crop _____, and/or summer crops _____.

Average acres of small grain, cover crop, and summer crops planted by the attendees were 1,046 ac, 446 ac and 416 ac, respectively.

Total acres of small grain, cover crop, and summer crops planted by the attendees were 17,790 ac, 7,584 ac, and 7,070 ac, respectively.

7. Additional Comments (use the back, if necessary).

Awesome!

The program was well planned all of the plots were well kept

I appreciate the sharing and experience be it unsuccessful. It is a positive learning opportunity for farmers and we definitely benefit from it.

Great tour!

8. Photos

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