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MISSION

The mission of the USDA / ARS programs at Lincoln, Nebraska is to improve the productivity, stability of production, sustainability and profitability of crop and livestock production systems in the Great Plains

The Lincoln Location consists of three (3) Research Units:

- **Grain, Forage & Bioenergy Research Unit**
- **Midwest Livestock Insects Research Unit**
- **Soil & Water Conservation Research Unit**

The Lincoln Location is a part of the Northern Plains Area (NPA) of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), a Research, Education and Economics (REE) agency, and the main in-house research arm of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
WELCOME TO THE GRAIN, FORAGE & BIOENERGY RESEARCH UNIT

**Background:** The Grain, Forage and Bioenergy Research Unit (GFBRU) is one of about 300 research units in the Agriculture Research Service (ARS), the principal research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**Vision:** A vibrant, sustainable agriculture economy that is producing high quality food and bioenergy for the USA.

**Mission:** Improve the productivity, stability of production, and profitability of wheat, sorghum, forage and biomass energy crops in the Central Great Plains and Midwest.

**Strategy:** Develop improved plant materials and management practices through basic and applied research in plant genetics, molecular biology, plant pathology, agronomy, and rangeland science. Research is currently focused on genetic improvement of grain quality for human and animal nutrition, forage and biomass quality and production for feed and bioenergy, and disease resistance in wheat and sorghum.

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Welcome to Midwest Livestock Insects Research Unit

**Background**  The Midwest Livestock Insects Research Unit (MLIRU) is one of about 300 research units in the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the principal research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**Mandate**  The MLIRU is responsible for developing stable fly management strategies and to provide leadership for interdisciplinary teams and collaborative partnerships to facilitate research and technology transfer.

**Vision**  Provider of Sustainable Solutions to Fly Problems Impacting Livestock Producers and the Public.

**Mission**  To develop Stable Fly management strategies based on a better understanding of fly biology, habitat ecology and population dynamics.

**Strategy**  Determine the sources of Stable Flies on rangeland and confined cattle and gain a better understanding of Stable Fly population dynamics by elucidating their genetic structure throughout North America and internationally, where possible.

**Spotlights**

*Project Takes Swat at Cattle-Biting Flies*

Project aims to clean house on filth flies.
Welcome to Soil & Water Conservation Research Unit

Background
The Soil and Water Conservation Research Unit (SWCRU) is one of about 300 research units in the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the principal research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Mandate
The SWCRU is responsible for addressing questions, and solving problems, through research on crop production systems that have regional and national implications to sustainability of crop productivity and conservation of soil, water, and air resources.

Vision
A productive agriculture that conserves soil, water, and air resources.

Mission
Develop economically and environmentally sustainable integrated crop and livestock management systems that...

- Conserve and efficiently use natural resources and...
- Disseminate useful information and technologies to our customers.

Strategy
Stimulate participation of clientele in identifying priority research to address the need for efficient use of natural resources and purchased inputs in agricultural production systems to make agriculture more effective, more efficient, more profitable, and more integrated with the environment.

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