



Little Blue Natural Resources District

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Conservation Farm Photo Award

Due April 1st

The Little Blue NRD will award Conservation Farm Awards to farmers in the District who have displayed an active interest in the conservation of our natural resources. Two or more awards (aerial photo) will be available each year in the District.

Nominees can be submitted by the seven NRCS, FSA, Extension offices and others are welcomed. All nominations will be reviewed by the NRD staff and Research and Education Committee. Selection of winners will be based on conservation farming and irrigation management practices and on farmer's example of conservation dedication.

The following rules shall govern eligibility for the awards and will aid in the Committee's selection.

1. The farmer must be presently active in farming.
2. Minimum acreage for individual award nominations is 160 acres.
3. The farmer must have established new or rebuilt soil and water conservation measures on his farm and/or irrigation management within the last five years. He or she must farm within the district to be eligible. (List on nomination form only those practices completed in the last ten years.)
4. The farmer must be managing conservation and water management practices for the purposes they were designed. (Example: terrace systems must be farmed on contour, not farmed over.)
5. When the same farmer has several tracts (owned or leased) that have eligible conservation status, he must list them on the application with them all being inspected. Only one farm will be designated for the photo. This additional information will be used in determining the overall conservation objective of the farmer. (The "Entry Farm" should be the farm for which a picture is recommended, please list it as such.)
6. All aspects of farm operation will be taken into account for each particular farm, such as proper management of irrigated lands, cropland, pastures, forest, and wastelands, including control of noxious weeds.
7. Optional to submit an aerial photo of Entry Farm labeling conservation work.
8. Entries must be received in our office to be eligible for the award.
9. Conservationists and winning farmers will be notified immediately upon final selection.

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Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

County: _____ Phone: _____

Legal Description of Entry Farm: _____

Total Acres Owned & Operated: _____

Farming Practices:

_____ Irrigated

_____ Grain Farmer

_____ Dryland

_____ Livestock

Describe Conservation Practices Utilized on Farm/Ranch:

Other Conservation Measures Practiced:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: I acknowledge that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____