



**Northwest North Dakota
Winter Cereal Project Area**
McLean, Mountrail and Ward Counties



Incentive Program Information

The northwest North Dakota DU Winter Cereal Program project area will cover **McLean, Mountrail and Ward counties**. With a grant from **Bayer CropScience**, DU will provide Bayer CropScience crop protection products as incentives to farmers to encourage the planting of winter cereal crops such as **winter wheat, winter rye and winter triticale**. Local Bayer representatives have currently authorized **Stratego, Folicur and Proline** fungicides and Raxil and Gaucho and seed treatment products as products that producers can purchase and then receive reimbursement from DU under these conditions:

- A limited number of agreements will be offered to farmers in the project area starting **for winter cereals planted the fall of 2007 for harvest in 2008**.
- Agreements will be **three (3) years in length**. Agreements can be extended due to unforeseen circumstances. Agreements can also be cancelled with 30 day written notice.
- The incentive is limited to \$10 per acre value paid on up to 150 acres of winter cereals planted each year**. DU will reimburse participating farmers who provide a paid invoice for the purchase of authorized Bayer crop protection products.
- A permanent or semi-permanent wetland must be within one (1) mile of the winter cereal field(s).
- A farmer may plant multiple fields to attain the 150 acres.
- Farmers currently planting a winter cereal can also participate in the project but will be paid for **acres that exceed their prior 3-year winter cereal planted acreage average**.
- DU will pay the grower in July or August the year the winter cereal crop is harvested**. Payment will be made when the grower provides a paid invoice indicating the purchase of the authorized Bayer products.
- Farmers receiving CSP winter cereal enhancement payments** may receive DU technical assistance but will not be eligible for DU incentives.
- DU will contract with an agronomist to **assist farmers with winter cereal agreements and management** in cooperation with local Extension Service and conservation organization staff.

For more information and to sign up for the program, contact Alan Ness at 701-220-5141.