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Real answers to farming challenges will be shared at NEWBA field day

(Holdrege, Neb.) - Farmers are looking for ways to improve their operations, but they need to know that new techniques and technology will pay off at the end of the growing season. On August 4, they will have the opportunity to share success stories and lessons learned at a Nebraska Water Balance Alliance Field Day. The event will be held at Paulman Farms near Sutherland, Nebraska. There is no charge to attend, but an RSVP is required.

"Our goal is to give producers that opportunity to have frank discussions and see actual results," explains Larry Umberger, NEWBA vice-chairman.

He believes that these discussions may be able to offer some economically feasible, water-saving insights.

"I think one of the most important things that we learn from farmers in water restricted areas is balance. They rotate crops based on their allocations of water for the year. One year they may raise beans, the next maybe corn or wheat. They also know what's going on below the surface in their fields. That is why many of these farmers use moisture probes and know what the water holding capacity is in all of their fields. This is how they can successfully farm well into the future."

The agenda, map and RSVP link for the Field Day are featured at www.nebraskawaterbalance.com. RSVPs are required by Tuesday, July, 28.

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