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SUBJECT: FNM-MEETINGS- SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY – MINNESOTA CHAPTER
SUMMER TOUR AND ANNUAL MEETING

Purpose. To provide information about the summer tour and meeting.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007

ACTION DUE BY: June 15, 2007

The Minnesota Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) will hold their summer tour and annual business meeting on Wednesday, June 27, 2007. The tour will start at the USDA-ARS Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory in Morris, MN. The topic is “Conservation and Bioenergy.” The tour will cover topics as follows:

- Renewable energy technologies at the U of MN Renewable Energy Center
- An ethanol industry perspective
- On-farm research on effects of residue removal
- Management alternative for protecting soil resources
- Potential effects on water quality
- Wildlife impacts and opportunities

Registration information and the agenda are attached. The information is also available on the Minnesota Chapter of Soil and Water Conservation Society website at www.minnesotaswcs.org. The early registration deadline is Tuesday, June 19, 2007, and registration will be accepted at the door. Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at the USDA-ARS Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory, Morris, MN. The tour will conclude around 3:30 p.m.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages attendance and participation by employees in career-related professional organizations that enhance career development and professionalism. Employees interested in attending the summer tour and annual meeting must submit either a Special Training Request Form, MN-PER-025 or the registration form and agenda approved by your supervisor and recorded on your EDP. NRCS employees are authorized to attend this meeting on official time but at personal expense. Time spent traveling outside of work hours to this event is not considered hours of work for overtime, compensatory time or accrual of credit leave.

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