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## **NSP Elects Nine Members to New Board**

National Sorghum Producers (NSP) recently elected a new nine member Board of Directors. The new Board will focus solely on legislative and regulatory issues as a new national sorghum checkoff board will assume research, promotion, and education responsibilities this fall. NSP will still work in conjunction with the national checkoff board to advance the industry.

Toby Bostwick, the new NSP Chairman of the Board, resides in Melrose, NM. Toby regards his new position as “humbling and exciting”. “I know with the new focus of NSP, that we can and will be even more active in influencing future legislative decisions.”

The previous Chairman, Dale Murden, will remain on the new board as the Past Chairman. “It’s been a good two years,” said Dale. “I’ve been proud to be associated with this association and the great people who are its members and leaders.” During his time as Chairman, the industry started a national checkoff on sorghum, made it through the Farm Bill process, and strengthened its membership base.

The seven additional members of the board are: Ken Georg, a sorghum producer from Sabetha, KS; Daniel Krienke, a sorghum producer from Perryton, TX; Brian McCuiston, the General Manager of Planters Grain Coop in Odem, TX; Eric Mork, Director of Domestic Business, ICM, Inc. in Wichita, KS; Gerald Simenson, a sorghum producer from Ruskin, NE; Terry Swanson, a sorghum producer from Walsh, CO; and David Thomas, an owner of Sorghum Partners, Inc. in New Deal, TX.

NSP will remain the voice of the sorghum industry. NSP is focused on representing sorghum producers in Farm Bill implementation and work to continue support for the ethanol industry. Since the checkoff board can focus on research and promotion, the NSP Board can now place more emphasis on legislative and regulatory issues.

NSP represents U.S. sorghum producers. The organization works to ensure the profitability of sorghum production coast to coast through legislative representation, regulatory representation, and education. To learn more about NSP, visit [www.sorghumgrowers.com](http://www.sorghumgrowers.com).