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**NSP National Yield and Management Contest Winners to be Honored at
Commodity Classic**

LUBBOCK, Texas –National Sorghum Producers is proud to announce the winners of the 2011 NSP Yield and Management Contest. Farmers from 20 states spanning from New Mexico to New Jersey entered to win this year’s contest. Producer yields are highlighted in nine different categories with this year’s top yield at 192.73 bushels per acre.

The national winners will be further recognized at Commodity Classic in Nashville, Tenn., on March 2, 2012, at an awards dinner sponsored by Pioneer.

First place national winners that will be honored in Nashville include Jeff Scates of Illinois who won the Reduced-Till Irrigated category with a yield of 192.73 bushels per acre; Levin Farms Inc. in Kansas in the No-Till Non-Irrigated category with a yield of 185.91 bushels per acre; Duane L. Vorderstrasse of Nebraska in the Mulch-Till Non-Irrigated category with a yield of 176.25 bushels per acre; Jason Gamble of South Carolina in the Conventional-Till Non-Irrigated category with a yield of 150.99 bushels per acre; and John A. Scates of Illinois in the Conventional-Till Irrigated category with a yield of 189.31 bushels per acre.

Michael Fisher of Nebraska won the Non-Irrigated National Food-Grade category with a yield of 114.59 bushels per acre. Jeff Scates of Illinois won the Irrigated Bin Buster Award category with a yield of 192.73 bushels per acre, and Levin Farms Inc. in Kansas yielded 185.91 bushels to win the Non-Irrigated Bin Buster Award.

“The yield contest provides an invaluable opportunity for NSP to connect with producers around the country,” said NSP Chairman Terry Swanson. “I would like to congratulate and recognize all 2011 winners on their hard work and dedication to best management practices, which have enabled them to become leaders among their peers.”

To see a complete list of the NSP Yield and Management Contest results or to learn more about the contest, visit www.sorghumgrowers.com.

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