

## **Northwest Direct Seed Conference Proceedings and Videos**

### **...The Next Best Thing to Being There!**

If you missed the 2<sup>nd</sup> Northwest Direct Seed Cropping Systems Conference and Trade Show at Spokane, WA January 5-7, 1999, you missed a great program. But, you can have the next best thing to being there -- a detailed Conference Proceedings and digital-quality videos.

Over 900 people attended the Conference. It was organized as a service to growers by the Pacific Northwest STEEP III program and co-sponsored by 12 Ag support companies, in cooperation with 11 PNW grower organizations, conservation district associations and other Ag support groups and agencies. The STEEP III program (Solutions To Environmental and Economic Problems) is a cooperative research and educational effort on conservation tillage systems through the University of Idaho, Oregon State University, Washington State University, and USDA-Agricultural Research Service.

The Conference featured 37 speakers, including 14 researchers and 7 industry representatives and 16 growers from across the Pacific Northwest, Northern Great Plains, Canada, Argentina, and Brazil. There were 7 in-depth Focus Sessions on a variety of topics including: international and national trends and experiences; agronomics and economics of new crops and rotations; economics and strategies for the transition to direct seeding; grower experience; direct seed grain legumes; row spacing; and soil quality.

**PROCEEDINGS** -- The 225-page Proceedings provides a detailed summary of the 37 speaker presentations. They are available for \$10 (including mailing) payable to NW Direct Seed Conference, ATTN: Heather Filbin, P.O. 2002, Pasco, WA 99320, FAX 509-547-5563, phone 547-5538, or e-mail Filbin [maurer@owt.com](mailto:maurer@owt.com). The Proceedings are being added to the Conference Internet home page <http://pnwsteep.wsu.edu/conf99>.

**VIDEOS** -- These seven Focus Sessions, ranging from 1 hour to 6 hours, were videotaped with a high-quality digital camera. Beginning January 22, 1999, a series of 10 videotapes will be available on loan (in the Pacific Northwest only) and for sale at \$15 each. For detailed descriptions of topics and speakers included on each video, contact Marguerite Winterowd, Cooperative Extension Office, Crop and Soil Sciences Dept., P.O. Box 646420, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6420, FAX 335-1758, phone 509-335-2915, or email [winterowd@wsu.edu](mailto:winterowd@wsu.edu).

Proceedings and videos are also available from the 1998 Northwest Direct Seed Intensive Cropping Conference in Pasco, WA. It featured 48 speakers from across the Northwest, Great Plains, Canada and Australia. For more information on these Conference resources, contact Roger Veseth, Conference Coordinator and WSU/UI Conservation Tillage Specialist, 208-885-6386, E-mail [rveseth@uidaho.edu](mailto:rveseth@uidaho.edu).