ACRE

History - started 1949
Land - 1136 acres
Personnel - staff of 5
Facilities - 35 buildings, city water
Barns - Multi-user(15) & Project(14)
Funding - Labor only is hard funding
Equipment - researchers provide own

Research and Education Impact
- 53 Researchers
- 130 Projects
- 100+ Educational Events
- Media Education
- VIP Tours and International Visitors

Working Areas
- 786 Tillable acres for plots (131 fields)
- 140 acres
  - Newly acquired & under development
- Woodlot and Wetland ecology (12 acres)

Working Areas
- Long Term Tillage Plots
- Crop Diagnostic Training Center
- Water Quality Field Station
- Post Harvest bins (16)
- Weather Station
- IPM plots

New Education Building for Ag
- The “Beck Agricultural Center”
- College of Agriculture facility, new 2008
- 4 classrooms & a multipurpose room
- 20,000 sq ft

Service Facilities
- Crop Protection Laboratory
- Farm Shop
- Project Buildings (14)
- Sample Drying Building
Research Thrusts

- Genetics and Breeding
  - Small Grains Improvement
  - Maize and Sorghum
  - Soybeans
- Cropping Systems, Production, & Tillage
- Plant Nutrition - Environmental Issues
- Weed Management Systems
- Climate and Remote Sensing
- Bio-mass Agronomics
- Post Harvest Grain Management

ACRE Advisory Committee

- Faculty and Administrators (10 members)
  - Land Management Issues
  - Farm Management Issues
  - Safety Issues
  - Budget considerations
- Completed 2008 Strategic Plan

Issues for the Future

- Changing Nature of Field Research
- Services and Expertise Provided
- Equipment Provided
- Operating Expenses
- Student Agronomic Experiences

Soil Regions of Indiana
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