## 2024 Kernza® Field Days Announced

Throughout the summer, farmers and research partners are hosting in-person field days in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and New Mexico. Kernza®, the first commercially available perennial grain in the US, prevents erosion, encourages water retention, and increases organic matter on farms. Supply chain partners are cleaning and processing Kernza® and food companies across the country are turning Kernza® into tasty products for consumers, including pasta, beer, bread, and baked goods. The following schedule of field days covers a range of topics, including Kernza® breeding, production, processing, economics, ecosystem services and market development. This list will be updated throughout the summer.

**June 13 - East Troy, WI**
Stute Farm and Michael Fields Agricultural Insititue will host a field day on Weatherproofing your Farm that will feature Kernza® from 1-4pm.

**June 27 - Roseau, MN**
The Turf Grass Council will host a field day from 1-4pm at the Magnusson Research Farm. For more details check the online newsletter here: https://turf.umn.edu/seed-production-newsletters

**June 27 - Farmington, New Mexico**
New Mexico State University Ag Science Center - Farmington will host a field day which will include Kernza® from 9-1pm. More details available at: https://rsvp.nmsu.edu/rsvp/Farmington

**July 7 - St. Peter, MN**
Great River Greening will host a Kernza® focused field day. Check the website for more details as they are available: https://www.greatrivergreening.org/

**July 10 - Arlington, WI**
Dr. Valentin Picasso will lead a tour of the KernzaCAP experiments at the Arlington Research Station from 2:30-4:30pm for the ASA Board Meeting.

**August 6 - Jackson, WI**
Glacierland RDC and Cedar Creek Farmers will host a Soil Health Field Day featuring Ross Bishop’s Kernza field from 5:30-7:30pm. More details available at: https://www.glacierlandrcd.org/upcoming-events

**August 6 - Cannon Falls, MN**
Clean River Partners will host a Kernza® focused field day at Bill Jokela’s farm from 3-5pm. For more details, check the website: https://www.cleanriverpartners.org/
August 15 - Westport, MN
Pope and Stearns County SWCD will host a field day featuring Kernza® at the Rosholt Research Farm. Check the website for more details as they are available: https://popeswcd.org/

August 22 - Castle Rock, MN
Kimber Contours and Forever Green will host a field day from 10am-1pm that will include Kernza® along with Kimber Contours’ Go-First Farm hazelnut planting. Topics such as land transitions will also be covered. Check the website for more details as they are available: https://forevergreen.umn.edu/