



Sustainability on U.S. Soybean Farms

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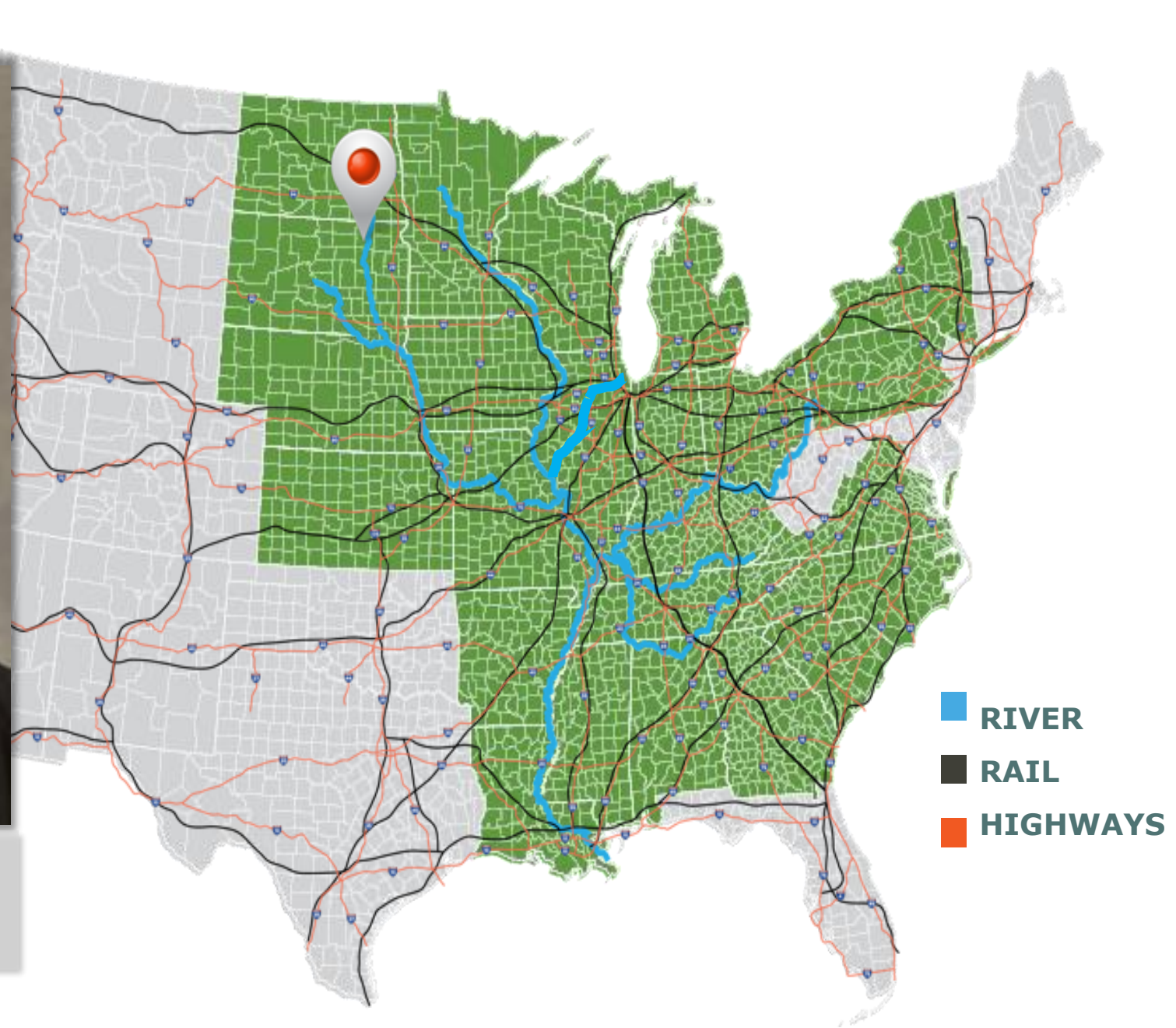
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My Farm

- 4th Generation Farmer
- Family Farm – wife Monica, sons Matthew and Mitchell
- 50/50 soybean and corn rotation



Sustainability from the Beginning



The Tragedy of the Thirties
the land looked like sand dunes



Sustainability Starts on the Farm

- My wife's grandfather was THE founder of soil conservation in South Dakota
- And one of the founders of soil conservation practices in the United States

The Same Land, Now Restored



The Restoration of the Land
the result of Frank Feser's soil conservation practices



Planting

- Crop rotation
- No-till planting to maintain residue, hold moisture and preserve topsoil
- Prescription seeding
- Biotechnology

Growing Season

- Prescription fertilizer in zones
- Modern spraying equipment with shut-offs
- Topsoil holds moisture



Harvest

- GPS technology
- Yield monitors
- Utilize biodiesel when available



Thank You

