IOWA FARMERS – secure Smithfield Grain contracts for your wheat or oats and earn $25/acre cost-share on up to 100 acres when the wheat or oats are followed by a summer cover crop containing at least one legume species.

PROGRAM BENEFITS:
• Flexible contracting options, including forward contracts, for 2020 wheat or oats with Allerton or Davis City Smithfield elevators
• $25/acre cost-share for establishing a cover crop with or after small grain harvest that contains at least one legume species
• Access to extensive small grains network of resources and events

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM:
• Plant either wheat or oats that will be harvested in 2020 and follow it with an underseeded or summer planted legume cover crop
• Plant on land that is NOT certified organic (acres in transition are OK) and NOT already cost-shared through another program for extended rotations (NRCS Practice 328)
• Sell wheat or oats to Smithfield Grain at Allerton or Davis City locations according to contract terms
• Complete our online survey in the small-grain year and the following corn year describing your production practices and expenses
• Attend at least one learning opportunity per year, such as a shared learning call, field day or Practical Farmers’ small-grains annual conference
• Become a PFI member. As a member of Practical Farmers of Iowa, you will have access to additional support producing small grains! Members gain access to a field crop discussion group, invitations to on-farm field days, opportunities to participate in on-farm research and much more

SMALL GRAINS GROWER SUPPORT:
• Monthly “shared learning” calls, which are one-hour phone presentations on a small grains production or marketing topic
• Monthly e-newsletters sharing resources on small grains based on what’s happening in the field that month
• Field days on small grains production and extended rotations
• Annual small grains conference rotating through states in the Upper Midwest
• Connection to experienced farmer mentors and a community of other farmers interested in extended rotations and small grains

To register for the program or learn more about contracts and cost-share, contact Erin Holt at (660) 748-7270 or eholt@smithfield.com.