

UPPER PIEDMONT RESEARCH STATION

STATION INFORMATION

Location

City: Reidsville
County: Rockingham

Station Statistics

Staff: 9

Management Units:

Crops
Livestock – Beef 200 Head:

Research Program

Project Leaders (#): 23
Ongoing Projects (#): 31
Focus: Grapes, Brambles, Beef, Flue-Cured & Burley
Tobacco, Paulownia Trees, Melons, Herbs,
Strawberries, Wheat, Canola

Acres:

Station Total	815.63 ac
Field Crops	42.10 ac
Pasture/Hay	321.00 ac
Small Fruits	3.00 ac
Ornamentals	3.00 ac
Rotational	28.00 ac
Irrigation Ponds	7.90 ac
Woodlands	428.22 ac
Infrastructure	50.00 ac
Lease Land	67.59 ac
# Buildings	42

Station Highlights:

- The only location in North Carolina that has been used to develop an alternative air-cured tobacco industry for producing tobaccos that are low in the production of nitrosamine, implicated as the agents that are carcinogenic in tobacco
- This station has one of the oldest continuous no-till corn and soybean studies in the country. For eighteen years these plots have proven that no-till corn out performs conventional corn 2:1
- The only location in the State that has a major effort in production of wine grapes

Station Improvements:

- 200 foot - 54 gate Calan barn
- Local Farmer's Market on-site
- 1.5 mile long walking trail
- 4 new 40X80 ft sheds for tobacco curing and hay storage
- 4 box barn curing unit structure for curing tobacco
- Underground irrigation lines to irrigate over 60 acres