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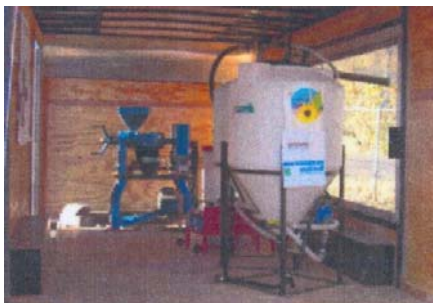
“On-Farm Biodiesel Production”

The Panoramaland RC&D worked with Utah State University Extension to secure a Resource Conservation and Development Grant with NRCS for the Central Utah Biodiesel Project. This project introduced many producers to the idea of Biodiesel and oil pressing.

Nine farmers in Central Utah planted a total of 94 acres in oil seed crops, including: camelina, canola, and safflower. Cultivating these types of crops was a new idea to seven of the producers. Approximately 5000 pounds of oil seeds were harvested. Some of the oil seed produced was used for vegetable oil and the rest was used for biodiesel. This project facilitated five demonstration field days and five presentations during which approximately 3500 individuals attended. Informational posters on biodiesel and oil pressing were produced and distributed.

The success of this project has created a greater interest in biodiesel and oil seed pressing in Central Utah. Because of this increased interest the RC&D is currently searching for more funding opportunities to purchase a larger oil seed press.

Partners on this project were the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Utah State University Extension, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, Western Region Sustainable Agricultural Research and Education, and Snow College.



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