

CARES Recipient Profile



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Farm: High Horse Ranch

Location: Indiantown, Martin County

Date of Origination: 1990

Commodities: Cattle



Iris Wall and her family own and operate High Horse Creek Ranch in Indiantown, Florida. The farm has been in the family for over 20 years and was started by Iris and her husband Homer in 1990. They proudly produce cattle.

Mrs. Wall has been implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) on the farm for two decades. BMPs are a set of guidelines that advise producers on how to manage the water, nutrient, and pesticides they are using to reduce agriculture's impact on the state's natural resources. High Horse Ranch has installed five cement water troughs for the cattle to drink from. These troughs draw the cattle away from natural water sources nearby. Mrs. Wall uses soil samples yearly to ensure the proper amount of fertilizer is being applied on the ranch. She has also taken proactive steps to set up a controlled burn system that is used to control invasive species on the land.

Mrs. Wall is actively involved in her local community, serving on the Board of Directors of the Cracker Cattle and Cracker Horse Associations and as Honorary Director of the Martin County Farm Bureau. In 2006, she received the Florida Woman of the Year in Agriculture Award. Mrs. Wall and her family attend Family Worship Center where she is the teacher of the Adult Sunday School class.

When asked why she is a farmer who CARES, Wall responded, "I always felt that it is important to protect the land and wildlife habitat"