

CARES Recipient Profile



Farm: B&L Farming

Location: Live Oak, Suwannee County

Date of Origination: 2009

Commodities: Cotton, peanuts, rye, sorghum, soybeans and wheat

Tamos Sapp and Jaime Driggers own and operate B&L Farming in Live Oak, Florida. The farm was started in 2009, by brothers-in-law who had a passion to farm. They proudly produce cotton, peanuts, rye sorghum, soybeans and wheat.

B&L Farming has been implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) on the farm since 2010. 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. B&L Farming uses a conservation tillage practice to protect the soil by reducing soil erosion and runoff. A nutrient and irrigation management program is used to protect water quality and minimize the loss of nutrients to the environment. Precision agriculture is used during planting, spraying and harvesting of the various crops that B&L Farming produces. They also use an Integrated Pest Management system throughout the farm to reduce farm costs, conserve energy and protect the environment.

Mr. Sapp and Mr. Driggers are actively involved in their local community and are members of Florida Farm Bureau. In 2013, the duo received the National Sorghum Growers Yield Award. Mr. Driggers is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and on the board of Professional Engineers.

When asked why they were farmers who CARE, Mr. Sapp and Mr. Driggers responded, "for the future generations to come."