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CANADA'S NEW GOVERNMENT INVESTS \$371,643 IN SASKATCHEWAN AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD PROJECTS

SASKATOON, Saskatchewan, March 24, 2007 – Brad Trost, Member of Parliament for Saskatoon–Humboldt, on behalf of the Honourable Chuck Strahl, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and Minister for the Canadian Wheat Board, today announced \$371,643 for three projects that will benefit producers and processors in Saskatchewan and across the country.

“Canada’s New Government is pleased to fund projects that create new opportunities for producers and increase food security for consumers,” said Mr. Trost. “These investments will help position the agricultural sector for the future and will help farmers here in Saskatchewan as well as the agri-food sector as a whole.”

Projects being funded include:

- \$149,188 to the University of Saskatchewan to test a by-product of ethanol production for use as a high-grade livestock feed;
- \$159,455 to the Saskatchewan Food Industry Development Centre for an online Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point & Food Safety Diploma Program; and
- \$63,000 to FarmPure Global Inc. to develop a new oat variety for the dairy and feedlot industry.

Funding for these projects is made available through the Saskatchewan Council for Community Development (SCCD) which delivers Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada’s Advancing Canadian Agriculture and Agri-Food (ACAAF) Program in Saskatchewan. The DDGS project (Distillers’ Dried Grains with Solubles) is a “collective outcome” project being funded along with support of the ACAAf industry councils in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and Ontario.

“This funding will benefit producers by giving them more choice and will benefit processors by allowing them to produce a safe, value-added product,” said Garth Patterson, SCCD Chair.

To obtain more information on the SCCD, please visit www.sccd.sk.ca/acaafs. More information on ACAAf is also available online (www.agr.gc.ca/acaaf).



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