### **OHF FINAL REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Project Number: 005-068

Recipient: Ransom County Soil Conservation District

Award Amount: \$250,000

Total Project Costs: \$217,130.88

Total OHF Funds Received: \$110,986.40

# **Goal of Project:**

The main objective of this project was to restore or retain 2000 grassland acres within Ransom, Sargent and Richland Counties.

## **Work Accomplished:**

318 acres of cropland was planted to grass, and 157 acres of CRP remained in grass after the CRP contract concluded. 59,545 feet of barbed wire fence and 4,750 of electric fence were installed to complete grazing management systems on the newly developed grassland areas. To support the grazing systems 4 wells, 3 trough/tanks, and one solar pumping system were installed.

### **Project Results:**

The result is 475 acres that will remain in grass for a period of at least 10 years and managed grazing systems will be supported on these same acres.

### Value to North Dakota:

This project improved Soil Health, Water Quality and created habitat that did not exist prior to the project. All these acres will sequester carbon and provide cover and nesting habitat for many native species.

