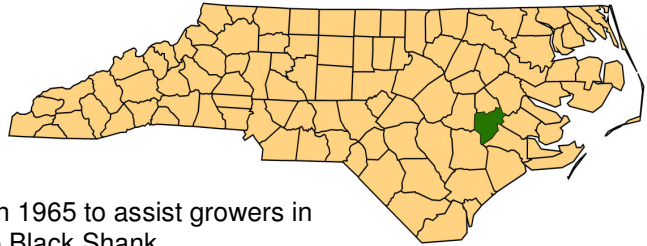


CUNNINGHAM/LOWER COASTAL PLAIN RESEARCH STATION (NCSU)

Location

City: Kinston
County: Lenoir



Background:

- Lower Coastal Plain Station established in 1965 to assist growers in combating the soil borne tobacco disease Black Shank.
- Cunningham Station gifted to NCSU in 1985

Unique Characteristics:

- High humidity and the slightly higher than average winter temperatures provide an excellent location for disease and insect breeding work in small grain production
- Greenhouse facilities and station lands are a key component in the identification of high value specialty crops for farmers to use in diversifying operations

Station Statistics

Staff: 8

Management Units: Field Crops
 Horticultural Crops
 Tobacco

Buildings: 18

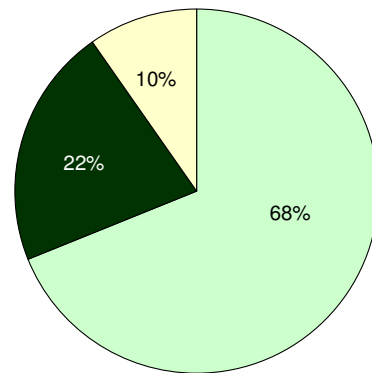
Research Program

Project Leaders (#): 18
 Ongoing Projects (#): 72
 Focus: Brambles, Corn, Flue-cured, Burley, and Dark Air-Cured Tobacco, Melons, Watermelons, Sweet Potatos, Lettuce, Cabbage, Squash, Cucumbers

Acres:

Station Total		515 .53 ac.
Field Crops	75*	
Corn	4	
Soybeans	4	
Tobacco	22	
Wheat	45	
Small Fruits	0.5	
Vegetables	41*	
Rotational Crops	302*	
Irrigation Ponds	16	
Woodlands	111	
Infrastructure	50	

**includes double cropping*



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Station Improvements:

- Renovation of main facilities and barns
- Recent Equipment Purchases - 4 row transplanter, 4 row spray boom, 15-passenger van, irrigation drag hose

Station Events:

- Fields Days – Burley, Melon, Lettuce Cold Crop and Specialty Crops
- Tours – Tobacco, Cotton, National Soybean, Melon, Neuse Enterprises, local senior citizens and Lenoir Community College Horticulture Class,
- Training – NRCS, SCP Agents, Small Grain