

## **John Dawson**

John Dawson: And something that is, and this is going the other way really, but something that's always bothered me was the farm equipment not getting off the side of the road for vehicles, for cars. And the reason it troubles me is because everybody's further away from the farm. They don't have any kind of understanding of it, or any respect for it. I guess respect for it. If the farming community needed to know something, that's what they need to know. But as far as what I want the non-farming community to know. I mean, really, we're all trying to do the same thing: make a living. We've just got to do it in a different way.

Ann Ferrell: What's the best part about farming, to you?

JD: The best part?

AF: What are some of the good things about farming to you? The "best part" is way too much of a stretch.

JD: Well, being outside is a good part, and getting to do something different all the time. You know, there is nothing much repetitive about it. And the seasons, seeing the seasons change, and planting something and seeing it through, and harvesting it is very rewarding. But it's long hours.

AF: Do you get a lot of weekends and vacations?

JD: About all the weekends I get are in December through February, maybe, and then we've got wheat too that's got to be top-dressed through, so not much weekends, especially Saturdays. In the fall, from the end of August to the end of November, it's seven days a week the whole time. You know, some days you get home at three, when it's raining or whatever and get a little break. But it's definitely, in the fall, seven days.