



## **Agricultural Research Magazine features US - Mexico spin-off project from the Ogallala Aquifer Program**

An article in the September 2009 issue of USDA-ARS monthly magazine Agricultural Research featured a spin-off project of the Ogallala Aquifer Program. There is a side-bar to the article entitled In the Western United States: Using Technology to Save Water that describes a joint project between scientists in the United States and Mexico regarding the Calera Aquifer in the state of Zacatecas, Mexico. Like the Ogallala Aquifer, withdrawals from the Calera Aquifer are exceeding recharge. Planned research includes climate and groundwater analyses. The team includes scientists from ARS locations in El Reno, OK and Bushland, TX, University of Georgia, Texas A&M University, Instituto Mexicano de Tecnologia del Agua, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas and Instituto Nac. de Invest. Forestales Agrícolas y Pecuarias. A workshop was held in March 2008 to develop an initial plan of action. A follow-up workshop is planned for October 2009. The side bar is entitled United States and Mexico Team Up on Water Issues. The article and side-bar can be accessed at:

<http://ars.usda.gov/is/AR/archive/sep09/water0909.pdf>. The side-bar is on page four of the pdf file and page 13 in the magazine.