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**Supplemental Figure 1: Example of conversion of prairie to cropland.** The left image is from September 2008, the right from September 2013, with approximate area of conversion outlined in orange. The majority of observed prairie-to-crop conversion occurred adjacent to existing crop fields, defined as contiguous locations or those bordering a common roadway, homestead, or fence line. Base images from USDA FSA aerial photography accessed through Google Earth Pro.