

Organic Fruit and Vegetable Workshop (draft program)

Wednesday, February 19, 2014

8:00	Registration
8:20	Welcome
8:30	"Organic peach tree and root growth in response to understory and fertility management", Mae Culumber, Utah State University
9:15	"Arthropod and weed management in organic peach systems", Andrew Tebeau, Utah State University
10:00	Break
10:30	"Organic fruit production from a grower perspective", Steve Ela, Ela Family Farms, Hotchkiss, CO
11:15	"Consumer preferences and willingness to pay for differentiated peaches", Kynda Curtis, Utah State University
12:00	Open discussion, Q&A, and group interaction
12:30	Lunch
1:30	"Organic bramble production: management ideas based on research findings", Dr. Bernadine Strik, Oregon State University
2:15	"Organic greenhouse vegetable production from a grower perspective", Jerry Harris, Castle Valley Farms, Moab, UT
3:00	Break
3:30	"USU organic vegetable research update", Dr. Dan Drost, Utah State University
4:15	Open discussion, Q&A, and group interaction
5:00	Workshop concludes

Urban and Small Farms Conference Breakout Sessions

Thursday, February 20, 2014

	Berry/Vegetable	Farm to Table	Direct marketing and Management
UBGA session			
8:00 AM	Grey mold - Claudia Nischwitz, USU	Soil Contamination - Grant Carden, Utah State University	USDA Rural Development
	Mite management and RHT update - Diane Alston, USU		USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service
9:00 AM	Blackberry production systems in Oregon & how to best manage primocane-fruiting types - Berndine Strik, Oregon State University	Hydroponics and Aquaponics - Nate Storey, University of Wyoming	USDA Farm Service Agency Programs
			Financing Small Farms
10:00 AM	BREAK		
10:30 AM	Protected cultivation - part 1 Fans, flames and fumes: Freeze protection in the field- Brent Black, USU	Communal Chef Heirloom Restaurant group Colton Folberg and local producer	Legal Issues -Todd Hallock, Hallock & Hallock
11:00 AM	Low tunnel and high tunnel strawberry update - Tiffany Maughan, USU		
	Low cost/low energy tunnel automation- Britney Hunter and Brent Black, USU		
Noon	Lunch break		
1:00 PM	protected cultivation - part 2 Commercial shading of raspberries - Jeff Mitchell, Utah County grower	Customer Preferences - Mariann Alston, Wasatch From Farmer's market store New	Farm Camps for Kids - Sara Harward and Agritourism Operation
	Pepper shading - Sam Day, USU	Programs for Selling to Local School - Julie Peck-Dabling, Salt Lake City Mayor's Office	
	Ron Patterson, USU		
2:30 PM	BREAK		
3:00 PM	Bean and pepper production in tunnels - Dan Drost, USU	Refugee Programs Panel - People's Garden, Goat Grazing, New Roots, Slow Foods	Winter marketing Strategies and setting up a good booth - Kynda Curtis, USU and Kim Angeli, Downtown Alliance
	Field vegetables Pumpkin trial- Taun Beddes, Utah State University		
4:00 PM	Cucurbit disease - Claudia Nischwitz, USU		
	Corn earworm - Diane Alston, USU	Utah Farm Chef Fork- Roslynn Brain, Utah State University	
5:00 PM			