

2019 Urban and Small Farms Conference

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

8:00 - 8:30 Registration and Networking

Time	Advanced Vegetable - Dan Drost	Beginner Micro Farm - Sheriden Hansen	Loans and USDA Programs
8:30	Improving Water Management: Lesson Learned from Plastics and Shading - Dan Drost, USU	Marketing Small Farm Products in the New Age of Food - Ariel Agenbroad, U of Idaho	USDA Programs (FSA, NRCS, Rural Development)
9:00	Vegetable IPM: Pest Issues Updates - Nick Volesky, USU	Building a CSA - Sheriden Hansen, USU	
9:30	Starting and Successfully Operating a Small Vegetable Farm - Lyle & Kathy Holmgren	Financial Strategies for Success - Ruby Ward, USU	
10:00 - 10:30 Break			
10:30	Winter and Summer Cover Cropping Options - Dan Drost, USU	Sustainable Soil and Nutrient Management - Melanie Stock, USU	Farm Bill: For Small Farmers - Brandon Willis, USU
11:00	New and Increasing Vegetable Disease Problems in Utah - Claudia Nischwitz, USU	Small Acreage Weed Control - Andy West, U of Idaho	Whole Farm Revenue Insurance - Robert Smith, USDA - RMA
11:30	Grower Roundtable: Vegetable Issues Influencing Utah - Dan Drost, USU	Introduction to Hydroponics - Taylor Wayman, USU	
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch			
Time	Cut Flowers - Melanie Stock	Beginning Farmer - Berries - Brent Black	Local Food Markets and Farm Profitability
1:00	Introduction to the Cut Flower Session and Programs at USU - Melanie Stock, USU	Strawberry Basics - Brent Black, USU	Update of Local Food Advisory Council - Jack Wilbur, UDAF and Ruby Ward, USU
1:30	Growing Flowers for Floral Design - Donna Minch, USU	Protected Cultivation of Strawberries - Tiffany Maughan, USU	Farm Profit and Local Food Markets - Ruby Ward, USU and Karli Salisbury, USU
2:00	IPM for Cut Flowers - Marion Murray, USU	Raspberry Production 101 - Sheriden Hansen, USU	Preparing for Wholesale Markets - Laurie Seron, UDAF
2:30 - 3:00 Break			
3:00	Experiences and Perspectives From a Small-Acreage Cut Flower Grower - Tiffany Maughan, USU	Blackberry Basics - Brent Black, USU	Realities of Buying Local: Buyer Panel - Panel of Local Buyers: Steve Lunzer, Whole Foods
3:30	USU Research on Cut Flowers - Maegen Lewis, USU	Insect Pest Basics - Diane Alston, USU	
4:00	Economics: Going from Hobbyist to Business and Setting Prices - Ruby Ward, USU	The Basics of Berry Diseases - Marion Murray, USU	Realities of Selling Wholesale: Farmer Panel - Panel of Producers: Holiday Dagleish, Keep It Real Vegetables
4:30	Establishing Cut Flower Networks in Utah - Melanie Stock, USU	Speaker Panel Q&A	

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7:30 - 8:00 Registration

Time	Utah Berry Growers - Brent	Animals Operations - Karl Hoops	Urban Farming Issues
8:00	Spreading the Raspberry Production Season - Brent Black, USU	Zoonoses: Can I get sick from my animals? - Kerry Rood, USU	Business Licenses, Zoning?... Where Do I Start? - Steve Johnson
8:30	Fruit Feeding Insects - Diane Alston, USU	Niche Markets in the Beef System- Matt Garcia, USU	
9:00	Invasive Fruit Pests - Lori Spears, USU	Dairy Goat Milking and Milk Quality - Dave Wilson, USU	Requirements for Selling Farm Produce - Karin Allen, USU
9:30	Drip Irrigation Management for High Quality Production of Raspberries and Blackberries - David Bryla, USDA ARS	Feeding Your Horse - Karl Hoops, USU	
10:00 - 10:30 Break			
10:30	Chemical Characteristics and Pesticide Movement - Mike Weirda, USU	Critical Issues in Beekeeping - Sheriden Hansen, USU	Produce Pricing Updates - Karli Salisbury, USU
11:00	Nutrient Requirements, Leaf Tissue Standards, and Options for Fertigation in Raspberries and Blackberries - David Bryla, USDA ARS	Defend the Flock - Dave Frame, USU	
11:30	Available Resources/Website Update - Tiffany Maughan, USU	Holos: Farm Management Software for Animal Agriculture - Katie Slobodnik, USU and Guests	How to Obtain Your Own Marketing Data and Use It - Ruby Ward, USU or Laurie Seron, UDAF
11:50	Participant Response Survey		
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch			
Time	Water Issues - Matt Yost/Neil Allen	Soils - Grant	Marketing Management
1:00	How to Take, Test, and Understand Water Samples? - Grant Cardon, USU	Sustainable Soil and Nutrient Management - Melanie Stock, USU	Market Manager Meetup: Building the Capacity of Utah's Farmers Markets - Brian Emerson, Utahns Against Hunger Regan Emmons, USU and LaCee Jimenez, USU
1:30	Water Rights 101 - James Greer, Utah Division of Water Rights	Soil Testing: Why, How, and Interpreting Your Results - Grant Cardon and Melanie Stock, USU	
2:00	Water Incentive and Conservation Programs - David Rice, Weber Basin Water Conservancy District		
2:30 - 3:00 Break			
3:00	Water Outlook, Conservation, and Trends - Rick Maloy, Central Utah Water Conservancy District	To Till or Not to Till?... That is the Question - Grant Cardon, USU	Pesticide Safety for Bees - Joey Caputo, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food
3:30	Drip Irrigation Systems: Design and Installation - Dale Allred	Weed Control Tips to Make Your Life Easier: Hands On - Katie Wagner, USU	
4:00	Drip Irrigation Systems: Scheduling, Operation, and Maintenance - Niel Allen, USU		
4:30	Experience with Drip Irrigation - Chris Natalie, New Roots SLC		Urban Farming Issues - Open Discussion