

## 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
<b>UBGA session</b>			
8:00 AM	Grey mold - Claudia Nischwitz, USU	Soil Contamination Concerns in Urban Soils - Grant Cardon, 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	An Introduction to Hydroponic and Aquaponic Systems - Nate Storey, Bright Agrotech	USDA Farm Service Agency Programs
			Financing Small Farms
10:00 AM	<b>BREAK</b>		
10:30 AM	<b>Protected cultivation - part 1</b> Fans, flames and fumes: Freeze protection in the field- Brent Black, USU	Challenges and Opportunities of Processing and Selling Local Meat and Poultry - Utah Department of Agriculture & Food and Local Producer	Lease Issues and Other Liability Concerns for the Urban Farmer -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	<b>protected cultivation - part 2</b> Commercial shading of raspberries - Jeff Mitchell, Utah County grower	Customer Preferences - Maryann Alston, Wasatch Front Farmer's Market	Farm Camps for Kids - Sara Harward and Brandon Law, Black Island Farms
	Pepper shading - Sam Day, USU		
	Ron Patterson, USU	Linking Local Foods with Local Schools - Julie Peck-Dabbling, Salt Lake County Urban Farming	
2:30 PM	<b>BREAK</b>		
3:00 PM	Bean and pepper production in tunnels - Dan Drost, USU	Refugee Programs Panel - People's Market, Goat Grazing Project, New Roots Garden, Slow Food Utah	Winter Farm Marketing Strategies- Kynda Curtis, USU and Alison Einerson, Downtown Alliance
	<b>Field vegetables</b> 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	Grocery Store Selling Local Products
5:00 PM			