

Organic Agriculture Principles and Practices
Workshop for Southwest Agriculture Professionals
Albuquerque, New Mexico
May 25, 2004

You are invited to a one-day regional training workshop for southwestern Extension, USDA, State Dept. of Agriculture, and other professionals on Organic Principles, Practices, and National Rules and Regulations. The workshop is sponsored in part by the Western Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Professional Development Program.

The workshop will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center (2401 12th Street NW) in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please see agenda. A free Information Resource Manual will be provided that covers all key aspects of organic production and certification, as well as where to access more information.

Registration is \$10 at the door to cover lunch and snacks. Please call (505) 852-4241 by May 21 with your intention to attend in order to assist us in planning for this event.

Hotels near the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center include:

- Best Western Rio Grande Inn, 1015 Rio Grande NW, 505-843-9500; has airport shuttle; near Old Town
- Sheraton Old Town, 800 Rio Grande NW, 505-843-6300; no airport shuttle; near Old Town
- Fairfield Inn, 1760 Menaul NE, 505-889-4000; no airport shuttle
- Comfort Inn, 2015 Menaul NE, 505-881-3210; no airport shuttle
- Holiday Inn Mountain View, 2020 Menaul NE, 505-884-2511; has airport shuttle
- Super 8, 2500 University NE, 505-888-4884; has airport shuttle
- Hilton, 1901 University NE, 505-884-2500; no airport shuttle

This is one of four Western SARE sponsored trainings on organic agriculture for extension and outreach professionals. This training is the only one scheduled for workers in Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate in this event, please contact (505) 852-2668 by May 18, 2004.

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Time	Topic	Speaker
7:30 – 8:00	Registration	
8:00 – 8:30	What is Organic Agriculture? <i>History, Philosophy, Principles, and Trends of Organic Production</i>	Sean Swezey <i>UC Davis</i>
8:30 – 9:00	National Rules and Regulations <i>NOP, National Rules and Regulations, National Material List</i>	Erica Peters <i>NMOCC</i>
9:00 – 9:45	New Mexico Certification Process <i>Farm Planning, Record Keeping, Certification Cost, Opportunities</i>	Joanie Quinn <i>NMOCC</i>
9:45 – 10:30	Organic Crop Production <i>Rules, Regs, Principles, and Management Issues for Crops</i>	Joran Viers <i>NMSU-CES</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Break	
10:45 – 11:30	Organic Livestock Production <i>Rules, Regs, Principles, and Management Issues for Livestock</i>	Ron Parker <i>NMSU-CES</i>
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch -- Provided	
12:30 – 1:30	Case Studies of Producers <i>Challenges and Opportunities</i>	<i>Crops</i> Don Bustos <i>Livestock</i> Matt Mitchell <i>Fiber</i> Dosi Alvarez <i>Processing</i> Tom Delahanty
1:30 – 2:15	State Reports <i>Overview of Organic Programs and Production</i>	<i>NM</i> Lynda Prim <i>AZ</i> Robert Call <i>CO</i> Ron Godin
2:15 – 2:30	Break	
2:30 – 3:00	Organic Farming in the Pacific Northwest <i>Experiences, Trends, Issues</i>	David Granatstein <i>Wash. State Univ.</i>
3:00 – 4:00	Information Resource Manual <i>Use of Manual, National List, Label Use Laws, OMRI, ATTRA</i>	Sean Swezey <i>UC Davis</i>