

# 2017 Vermont Organic Dairy Producers Conference Evaluation

*Thank you for participating in this year's conference!  
We would greatly appreciate your time in completing the questions below – thanks!!*

**1. Did you learn anything new today?** \_\_\_Yes                      \_\_\_No                      \_\_\_Not Sure

If “yes,” please describe:

**2. Have you attended any of the following events within the past 3 years? (check all that apply)**

\_\_\_ Previous Vermont Organic Dairy Producer Conferences

\_\_\_ Workshops/field days organized by NOFA-Vermont or UVM Extension Northwest Crops and Soils Team

**3. Based on what you've learned today and/or at these past events, have you implemented and/or do you plan to implement the following on your farm or in your work with farmers? Please check all that apply.**

	Yes, I have implemented as a result of what I've learned	I plan to implement this year	No, I need more info	No, I'm not interested
<b>Extended/enhanced the grazing season by using:</b>				
• Summer and/or cool season annuals	<input type="checkbox"/> What types:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Stockpiling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Improved fertility management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Improved grazing management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Pasture irrigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Improved pastures / forage yield and quality through:</b>				
• Frost-, inter-, or re-seeding with new species	<input type="checkbox"/> What types:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• More timely harvest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Improved grazing management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Pasture irrigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Improved soil health and/or fertility management by:</b>				
• Taking soil tests	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Developing a nutrient management plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Adding soil fertility sources	<input type="checkbox"/> What types:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Reducing compaction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Increased pasture diversity (i.e. legumes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Improved milk production/quality through:</b>				
• Changes in nutrition/rations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Changes in husbandry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Producing / purchases better forages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Improved grazing management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**4. If you checked, “Yes, I have implemented as a result of what I’ve learned,” in any of the previous questions, have these changes allowed you to achieve any of the following? Please check all that apply.**

	Yes	No / Not Yet	Not Sure
• Produce more milk	<input type="checkbox"/> By about how much:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Produce higher quality milk	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Reduced purchased feed/grain	<input type="checkbox"/> By about how much:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Enhance farm viability	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Improve family quality of life	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Better protect environmental resources on/around the farm	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**5. What topics / speakers would you like to see covered at future conferences/workshops/field days?**

**6. Your Primary Occupation:**

Farmer                       Extension/ university employee                       USDA employee  
 Non-profit employee                       Student                       Other \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Please provide any additional feedback you have below. Thanks!**

*Please return evaluation at conference or mail to: Debra Heleba, UVM Extension, Jeffords Hall, 63 Carrigan Drive, Burlington, VT 05405. Thank you very much for your feedback!*