



Intro to Organic Agriculture Advising

a workshop by **OATS**

March 19th, Fargo, ND

9:30am Check-in

10:00 am - Welcome, Sam Oschwald Tilton

10:10 - 11:00 am Tessa Trip (organic certification specialist with OCIA) talks about the USDA National Organic Program and regulations and the Transition to Organic Partnership Program (TOPP)

11:00am - 12:00pm Nic Podoll (organic ag advisor with the Rodale Institute) talks about Weed & Fertility Management Changes in Organic

12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch

Afternoon panel discussions: Organic Farming in the Northern Great Plains: How does it work?

Panelists: Mark Askegaard and Kyle Scherweit (organic farmers), Nic Podoll (ag advisor), and Scott Sinner (SB&B Foods)

1:00 - 1:40 pm Crop Rotation for organic grain farming

1:40 - 2:20 pm - Equipment for organic grain farming

2:20 - 3:00 pm - Marketing for organic grain farming

3:00 pm - Adjourn



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