

USET Professional Development Program Workshop Summary (ENE21-173)

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Location	Topic	Presenter	Participants	Outcomes/Notes
Mi'kmaq Farm (Maine)	Pollinator Camp	Mariam Taleb of MOFGA and Xerces	3 Farm staff 5 Farmers	The event was open to families, so children were also present to learn about pollinator habitats, common pollinators, and how pollinators improve farm productivity and support ecosystem health
Onondaga Nation	Adult Education & Seed Saving	Angela Ferguson, Lea Zeise	7 Farm staff 50+ Farmers	ASPs learned to identify their preferred learning tactics and to accommodate based on participant learning styles. Farmers learned to identify threats to seed health and create safe conditions for long term seed storage
Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe	Tomato production & preservation	Crystal Stewart-Courtens	4 Farm staff 5 Farmers	ASPs and farmers learned to grow, harvest, and preserve tomatoes in a four-part series
Seneca Nation	Cover cropping with traditional crops	Elizabeth Buck, Lea Zeise	5 Farm staff 4 Farmers	Cover cropping and crop rotations specifically for heirloom corn varieties
Irrigation	Seneca Nation	Crystal Stewart-Courtens, Lea Zeise	5 Farm staff 4 Farmers	Water sources, pumps, materials, assembly, and troubleshooting aspects
Food Preservation; and Garden Planning	Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe	Crystal Stewart, Elizabeth Buck, David Anderson	7 Farm staff 12 Farmers	Traditional and modern approaches to preserving white corn, squash, and apples
Bee Keeping and Orchard Management	Penobscot Indian Nation	Ryan Dennett, David Anderson	5 Farm staff 5 Farmers	Plant and manage orchard trees, establish a bee colony, and care for bees