UVM Extension Annual Crops & Soils Field Day "Feeding the Soils, the Plants, and the Community" Thursday, July 24, 2014, 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m.





Registration starts at 9:15 a.m. Farm tour starts promptly at 10:00 a.m.

DETAILS

This year's field day at Borderview Research Farm in Alburgh, Vermont, our theme will explore how creating and maintaining healthy soils lead to healthy plants and livestock that feed our community. Some of the things you will learn at the field day include:

- Best grass varieties and species for feeding your livestock
- Using cover crops to suppress diseases while building soil health
- Greenhouse gas emissions from various manure systems
- Yields and quality of winter forages
- How to grow winter canola and other oilseed crops
- ♦ And much, much more!

The morning research tour will include stops at many of our trials including those focused on perennial grass varieties, podirrigation systems, cover crop mixtures and interseeding, winter forages, summer annuals, no-till cropping and manure injection, alternative fertilizers, oilseed varieties, and flax weed control.

To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Susan Brouillette at 802-524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 or susan.brouillette@uvm.edu by July 14, 2014 so we may assist you.

Enjoy one of our afternoon tours as well! This year, we will offer three focused tours.

The **HOPS TOUR** is perfect for anyone interested in learning more about growing hops in the Northeast. The tour will focus on fertility and irrigation systems for this crop. You will also learn about pest management and other current research. Learn more about hop quality standards from local Vermont brewers.

The **GRAIN TOUR** will be focused on growing grains for food grade markets. Take a look at hundreds of varieties of wheat, barley, and oats; learn about our grain breeding projects; and receive updates on new research focused on controlling head scab of wheat. Special guests, Andrea and Christian Stanley of Valley Malt in Hadley, MA, will teach us the latest information about malting grains.

The **SOIL HEALTH TOUR** will highlight strategies to improve your soil. This includes no-till, manure injection, and cover crop projects. We are excited to also have Frank Gibbs, NRCS soil health expert, joining us for the tour. He will give you a hands-on tour of the soil and how to evaluate soil health on your farm.

Spend the remainder of the afternoon at your leisure touring the research plots or perusing the exhibit tent. Want to learn more about one of our research projects? Grab one of the NWCS team members and they can give you a guided tour.

COST: Free of charge to farmers. All others, \$25 per person.

Includes a BBQ lunch made with local foods. CCA credits available.

Register online at www.uvm.edu/extension/fieldday or contact Susan Brouillette susan.brouillette@uvm.edu or Heather Darby heather.darby@uvm.edu at 802-524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 (toll-free in Vt. only).

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CROPS & SOILS PROGRAM



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Directions: From Route 2 in Alburgh, turn onto Route 225 (Border Road). Drive toward the Canadian Border. As you approach the border, turn Left just BEFORE the Customs bldg. In front of you, there will be a dirt road (Line Road) that goes West along the border. Borderview Farm is the first farm on the Left. Look for Field Day signs!