**INSTRUCTIONS**

Thank you for submitting your online pre-registration form. To confirm your spot in the 2014 BFLN training, we ask that you submit your $50 registration fee (instructions below) **AND** you and your supervisor review and sign this commitment letter (front and back).

**Mail, scan/email, or fax this form to:** Ryan Maher, Cornell Small Farms Program, 15A Plant Science, Ithaca, NY 14853, ryan.maher@cornell.edu, 607-255-0599 (fax).

**REGISTRATION FEE (Indicate preferred payment method)**

\_\_\_\_\_ CHECK. Please make out a $50 check payable to Cornell University and include it when you mail this form to the above address.

\_\_\_\_\_ CREDIT. To pay your $50 registration fee by credit card, please use this secure payment link by copying and pasting in your browser: <https://creditcard.cbs.cornell.edu/billing.aspx?eventid=D8AE71FC-21A1-4BCC-AA0A-741483D396B4>

**TRAINING PERFORMANCE TARGETS**

The Cornell Small Farms Program has received a SARE grant to provide in-depth training to beginning farmer service providers over a 3-year period to achieve the following two performance targets:

1. *After incorporating new curricula, resources and information gained through this professional development training, 45 beginning farmer service providers report that 600 beginning farmers made changes to farm plans or management to improve sustainability.*
2. *As a result of improved cultural competency and engagement strategies learned through this professional development training, beginning farmer service providers report 100 new BF clients of diverse race, gender, age and ethnicity or military veterans are actively participating in their training programs.*

**PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT**

As a participant in this training, I commit to:

* Attend the in-person training from Oct. 27-29, 2014 (all 3 days) at the Century House Hotel in Latham, NY (near Albany)
* Participate in follow-up webinars through 2015
* Assist with development of new evaluation tools
* Gather and share data to help document progress toward performance targets

Participant Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISOR COMMITMENT**

As the supervisor of the above individual, I fully support his/her participation in the 2014 Beginning Farmer Learning Network 3-day training and agree to:

* Allow him/her leave time from work to attend the training
* Cover transportation costs to and from the training
* Assist where relevant with implementing curricular changes in our new farmer trainings
* Participate where relevant in the use of new program evaluation tools to measure progress toward above performance targets

Supervisor Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_