



# GROWING ORGANIC EXPERTISE IN IOWA

**Tuesday, January 26th, 2021**

**Via Zoom (focus on Sioux City, Woodbury, Plymouth and surrounding counties)**

## **AGENDA**

- 12:00-12:15    **Welcome and Introductions**  
Olga Reding, IOA Organic Field Coordinator  
Roz Lehman, IOA Executive Director
- 12:15-12:45    **USDA Organic History and Background**  
Roz Lehman, IOA Executive Director
- 12:45-1:15    **Organic Regulations and Certification Overview**  
Katie Hyde, IDALS Organic Handler Specialist  
*(organic regulations and production considerations for crop production including nutrient management, pest/weed management, rotations, buffers, land transition, and natural resources/biodiversity)*
- 1:15-1:30    BREAK**
- 1:30-2:00    **Organic Agronomics/OGRAIN COMPASS financial tool**  
Jim Munsch & John Hendrickson, OGRAIN
- 2:00-3:00    **Organic Producer Panel**  
*(producers describe their operation, why they farm organically, challenges, opportunities, and open Q&A)*  
- Scott Ausborn, Ida Grove  
- Paul Mugge, Sutherland
- 3:00    **Adjourn**