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## Spent Mushroom Substrate (SMS) as a Compost Inoculant for Vegetable Farming

🕓 7:00 PM – 8:15 PM

Join stream

## Description

How can regenerative vegetable farmers in the Northeast tap into mushroom farmers' wastestream for mutual benefit? Spent Mushroom Substrate (SMS) is an abundant, nutrient-rich byproduct of mushroom farming. Hear from Elizabeth Almeida (Fat Moon Farms) and Rubén Parrilla (NOFA/Mass) about on-going research into the effectiveness of SMS as a fungal inoculant in finished compost and its impact on soil health parameters, including microbial activity, following application in production beds. We will learn about application ratios and benefits to soil microbiology and vegetable production, and hear from Elizabeth about Fat Moon Farms's current and planned operations and future learning opportunities for farmers and gardeners. This session aims to promote a continual cycle of SMS utilization in compost, and build partnerships between specialty mushroom and vegetable farms in the Northeast.

## Speaker

• Elizabeth Almeida, Fat Moon Mushrooms