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STARTING AN ORGANIC GRAIN FARMING OPERATION – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2020

9:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Registration at 8:30 a.m.

University of Nebraska Eastern Nebraska Research and Extension Center

1071 County Road G * Ithaca, NE

This program is for those seeking information on what is required to to grow organic corn, soybeans, wheat, grain sorghum and forage crops.

Pre-register by Tuesday, Jan. 28 at https://enrec.unl.edu/neborganicgrainprogram/.

Reserve your seat to ensure workshop materials are available the day of the program and for meal planning purposes. Registration questions, call 402-624-8030 or email cdunbar2@unl.edu. Additional details on presentations and directions/map available at website.

8:30 a.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m.	Welcome - Gary Lesoing, Nebraska Extension Educator
9:05 a.m.	The Mental Transitioning from Conventional to Organic Farming Dave Welsch - Certified Organic Farmer since 1993 – Milford, NE
9:35 p.m.	Farming System Strategies for Success in Organics Joel Gruver – Associate Professor of Soil Science and Sustainability Ag – Western Illinois University
10:05 a.m.	Break
10:20 a.m.	Farming System Strategies for Success in Organics – continued
11:15 a.m.	Weed Management in Organic Row Crops Joel Gruver – Associate Professor of Soil Science and Sustainability Ag – Western Illinois University
12:00 p.m.	Lunch
12:45 p.m.	Organic Certification- From Application to Certification Decision Clayton Blagburn, Certification Specialist - OneCert Organization Inc.– Lincoln, NE
1:30 p.m.	Organic Grain Marketing Alex Wolf, Scoular Organic Grain Manager – Omaha, NE
2:00 p.m.	The Importance of Cover Crops in an Organic Rotation Jim Starr, Joel & Jim Starr Partnership – Hastings, NE
2:30 p.m.	Speakers Panel
3:00 p.m.	Evaluation
3:15 p.m..	Adjourn

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