

2020 Beginning Farmer's Workshop Series

Agenda for Friday, January 10, 2020

- 8:00 – Registration/Check-In (Table out front for payments, Refreshments in Classroom)
- 9:00 – Introductions (Russ Tronstad and Josh Sherman)
- 9:30 – The Basis for Success: Water! Aquafer Dynamics and Recharge (Dr. Gary Hix)
- 10:30 – Break
- 11:00 – Food Safety: Considerations for Farm Operations (Dr. Paula Kahn-Rivadeneira)
- 12:00 – Lunch
- 12:45 – Consumer Valuation of Local Shopping Attributes (Elena Chin)
- 1:45 – Break
- 2:00 – Business Planning Basics & Record Keeping Tools (Dr. Russell Tronstad)
- 3:00 – Adjourn

Agenda for Friday, February 14, 2020

- 9:00 – Weed Science: Getting Control Before It's Out-of-Control (Dr. Bill McCloskey)
- 10:15 – Break
- 10:30 – Hoophouse/Greenhouse Production (Dr. Ursula Schuch)
- 12:00 – Lunch
- 12:30 – Reading the Farm and Cover Crops (Joshua Sherman)
- 1:30 – Break
- 2:00 – Assessing your Market Size and Risk Management (Dr. Russell Tronstad)
- 3:00 – Adjourn

Agenda for Friday, March 13, 2020

- 9:00 -- Evaluation Instructions
- 9:05 -- The Basis for Success: Soil! Introduction to Soil Dynamics (Rudy Garcia)
- 10:15 – Break & Soil Demonstrations (Water Infiltration & Soil Texture)
- 10:30 – Soil Management: Fertility, Interpreting Soil Analysis, and Salinity (Dr. Jim Walworth)
- 12:00 – Lunch
- 12:30 – USDA Programs – FSA Loans for New Farmers (Salvador Camarena, FSA)
- 1:00 -- Arizona Association of Conservation Districts (Brook Gladden, AACD)
- 1:40 – Turn in Evaluations / Hand out USB Drives
- 1:45 -- Depart for Farm Tour at Layne East's Farm (nearby)
- 3:00 – Adjourn