

Joint Delmarva Soil Summit and Northeast Cover Crops Council Meeting

DAY ONE- February 6

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| 9:00 am - 9:30 am | Conference Kickoff (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 9:30 am - 10:15 am | Plenary- Russell Hedrick, North Carolina Farmer and Regen Ag Consultant (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 10:30 am - 12:00 pm | Grain Session | Small Farm & Urban Ag Session | Soil Health in Organic Production Systems | Climate Smart Ag Session |
| | <i>Flanders 1 & 2</i> | <i>Flanders 3 & 4</i> | <i>Flanders 5 & 6</i> | <i>Flanders 7</i> |
| | Utilizing Precision Agriculture to Facilitate Conservation Practices on Farm/Benefits Chris Morrison, Hooper Inc. Precision Ag Specialist Raise Grain Quality Markers with Regenerative Management David Miller, Advancing Eco Ag Director of Education | Cover Cropping for Small Farms Sarah Hirsh, UMD Extension Specialist Resource Roundtable - MDA, NRCS and SARE describe available programs and resources | Farmer Experience with Organic Methods and Soil Health Chris Bohinski, NRCS & Organic Farmer Organic orchard crop and agroforestry systems for the Northeast Dr. Leigh Archer, Rodale Institute NRCS Financial Assistance for Organic/Transitioning Producers | Low Carbon Products & Practices Scott Raubenstein, Perdue Agribusiness Maryland Climate-Smart Agriculture Project Terry Nuwer, Hughes Center for Agroecology |
| 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm | Lunch (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Farmer Panel moderated by Thelonius Cook (Mighty Thundercloud Edible Forest); Panelists: Gerardo Martinez (Wild Kid Acres); Dr. Mae Hey (Friendship Garden VA Tech); Natalie McGill (Perennial Roots) (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm | Visit with Exhibitors | | | |
| 2:15 pm - 4:00 pm | NECCC Session- Help Make Info About Cover Crop Incentive Programs Easier to Find (Must pre-register, limit 6 participants; meet at Registration Desk at 2:15 pm) | | | |
| 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm | Breakout Sessions are repeated from the morning with same topics, speakers, and room locations | | | |
| 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Poster Session & Competition, NECCC Meet & Greet, and Social Hour (includes appetizers and cash bar, with limited complimentary drink tickets available at the Northeast Cover Crops Council exhibit space) (Normandy Arena) | | | |

DAY TWO- February 7

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| 9:00 am - 10:00 am | Plenary - Heather Darby, Agronomy Specialist, University of Vermont Extension (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 10:00 am - 10:30 am | Visit with Exhibitors | | | |
| 10:30 am - 12:00 pm | Specialty Crops Session | Livestock Session | Emerging Strategies Session | Economic Opportunities & Markets Session |
| | <i>Flanders 1 & 2</i> | <i>Flanders 3 & 4</i> | <i>Flanders 5 & 6</i> | <i>Flanders 7</i> |
| | <p>Growing Small Grains, Beans, Legumes and Alternative Crops with a Soil Health Mindset <i>Dr. Nazirahk Amen, Purple Mountain Grown</i></p> <p>Growing Specialty Crops for Market Using a Soil Health Mindset <i>Zach Dittmar, Dittmar Farms</i></p> | <p>Incorporating Conservation Practices into a Farm Business Plan <i>Alice Crothers, Long Green Acres, Rising Sun, MD</i></p> <p>Soil Health and Nutrient Management Considerations for Dairy & Small Farms <i>Tad Williams, Virginia Tech Nutrient Management Specialist</i></p> | <p>Overview of Regenerative Approach <i>Kish Johnson, Advancing Eco Ag Regenerative Agriculture Consultant</i></p> <p>A Look at the New Soil Carbon Amendments NRCS Standard <i>Jayme Arthurs, NRCS Resource Conservationist</i></p> | <p>MDE's Position on Carbon and Nutrient Markets <i>Rachel Lamb, MDE Senior Climate Advisor</i></p> <p>Carbon Farming & Soil Resiliency – It's More Than "Simply a Payment" <i>Scott Raubenstine, Perdue Agribusiness</i></p> <p>Two Farmers' Perspectives on Economic Opportunities in Soil Health <i>Jay Baxter & Russell Hedrick</i></p> |
| 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm | Lunch (Normandy Arena) | | | |
| 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Farmer Panel- Can Soil Amendments Increase Soil Health and Productivity? (Normandy Arena) | | | |
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