



CCOF's Education Programs: July–December 2017

THE ORGANIC TRAINING INSTITUTE

Holistic & Organic Livestock Management—Options for Cattle Ranchers → August 3; Online webinar

Organic and Holistic Management are two approaches to sustainable livestock husbandry. This introductory webinar with the CCOF Foundation and Holistic Management International will explore the intersections between organic and Holistic Management systems for cattle operations. The webinar will review the basic principles of both approaches, then will explore how the two approaches can work together for cattle ranchers looking to cultivate economically and environmentally sustainable operations.

Soil Health and Organic Farming—Building Soil Organic Matter for Healthy Soils → August 22; Online webinar

Are you looking for the latest information on cultivating healthy, living soil? The CCOF Foundation and the Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF) will explore research findings on soil health and soil organic matter in organic farming systems in this webinar. Participants will learn about practical applications that organic growers can use to build healthy soils on their operations.

Food Safety Basics for Organic Inspectors and Agricultural Service Providers →

- 1 September 11; Online webinar – Food Safety Modernization Act 101
- 2 November 14; Online webinar – Food Safety and Organic
- 3 January 11; Online webinar – Requirements for Organic Farms that Must Comply with FSMA

Organic inspectors and certification staff are invited to join the CCOF Foundation and Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) for a series of webinars on how the new federal food safety regulations intersect with organic regulations. Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) enforcement for some farms starts in January 2018, so you may face increased questions about food safety during interactions with growers. Get up to speed on FSMA basics and food safety topics pertinent to organic growers so you can answer basic questions with confidence and redirect growers to food safety resources.

Certified Organic Pot? Find Out Why Not! → October 3; Online webinar

CCOF has received many questions about growing organic cannabis since California voted to legalize recreational marijuana in November 2016. While marijuana cultivation may now be legal in California and a growing number of other states, the plant is still considered an illegal drug by the federal government. This webinar will explain why marijuana cannot be certified organic under the USDA National Organic Program, plus provide an update on the California state cannabis regulations.

Etiquetado y manejo post cosecha para productores de frutas y hortalizas orgánicas en México → 26 de octubre; Seminario virtual

Únase a la Fundación de CCOF para un seminario virtual centrado en el etiquetado y manejo post cosecha de las frutas y hortalizas orgánicas. Aprenda sobre prácticas y materiales permitidos en el manejo orgánico post cosecha, desde la cosecha hasta la instalación de empaque. Luego, descubra los matices del etiquetado de las frutas y hortalizas orgánicas con su propia etiqueta, o con las etiquetas de otras empresas. Este seminario es ideal para los productores de frutas y hortalizas orgánicas ubicados en México.

San Francisco Wholesale Produce Market Tour → November 30; San Francisco, CA

Join us for our popular San Francisco Wholesale Produce Market tour and gain the knowledge you need as an organic producer to deal in wholesale. This trip will address key factors in wholesale, including requirements for packing, shipping, and labeling. You'll also walk away with an understanding of how to maintain food safety and organic integrity through the supply chain.

Organic Value-Added Processing for Growers → December 11; Online webinar

Thinking about turning your extra produce in to jams, salsas, or dried fruit? Value-added products can bring in extra income and add diversity to your market offerings. This webinar will cover the requirements for certifying value-added products under the USDA National Organic Program label. This webinar is ideal for small- to mid-sized organic farms looking to explore organic certification requirements for their value-added products.



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