

# Northeast Beginning Farmer Network meeting agenda

March 8, 2013

Cornell Cooperative Extension – Albany office, 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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**9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.      Arrival and Registration**

*coffee, tea, bagels provided*

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**9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.      Introductions and Overview of the day**

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Room 1

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**10:00 a.m. – 11:30      Roundtable Sessions**

*Land Access – updates on regional efforts*

Kathy Ruhf

Diane Held

Room 1

*Full-service approach to new farmer training – models from around the Northeast*

Beth Holtzman

Sara Runkel

Room 2

*Organic farmer training – curricula, outcomes, and successful methods*

Tiana Dupont

Andrew Marshall

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**11:30 – 1:00 p.m.      Lunch and networking**

*light lunch provided*

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**1:00 p.m. –3:30 p.m.      Farm financing: Helping farmers get creative**

*Better Harvest Credit Union – Scott Budde*

*FSA Microloan - Christy Marshall*

*Kiva Zip - Becky Hockaday*

*Crowdsourcing Options and Criteria for Success –*

*Cameron Dubes*

*New Agrarian Network – Severine von Tscharner*

*Fleming, Alice Maggio, and CJ Sentell*

Room 1

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**3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.      Sustaining this BF Learning Network—and Your Good Work--Beyond the BFRDP – group discussion**

Room 1

**Announcements, Evaluation and Next Steps**

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