

Implementing State-of-the-Art Refrigeration Systems for Energy Efficiencies and Assessing Wind, Solar and Biodiesel Technologies in Fruit and Vegetable Production

Tuesday, November 11, 2008

2-4 pm Champlain Orchards, Shoreham, VT



How do you start to think differently about energy on your farm and assess farm energy use to make appropriate energy efficiency and technology changes that save money? What resources are available? Bill Suhr of Champlain Orchards will discuss working with Efficiency Vermont to install state-of-the-art refrigeration systems to conserve energy. He has started conducting a farm energy audit to understand energy usage better and is examining options of wind, with a recently installed anemometer to analyze the winds coming off Lake Champlain, solar electricity, and biodiesel fuel for his truck fleet. Come be part of the discussion! A farm tour will follow.

This workshop is free to farmers thanks to the generous support of our sponsors: The University of Vermont Extension, and the Vermont Vegetable and Berry Growers Association. Non-farmers: \$10 for NOFA members, \$15 for non-members.

Directions: From Burlington: Take Rte. 7 South to Vergennes. Take Rte. 22A south to Shoreham. Go 4.5 mi west to the Orchard (follow "Pick Your Own" signs) Champlain Orchards is on left side of road.

From Rutland: Take Rte 4 west to Fairhaven. Take Rte. 22A north to Orwell. Take Rte. 73 west for six miles. (Follow "Pick Your Own" signs). When Rte. 73 comes to dead-end, make right onto Rte. 74. Go 1mi, Orchard is on right side of road.

Questions?

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