

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Small Backyard Farms Workshop

Brick Meeting House and local farms, Westford, VT



Jim Ryan, DEC watershed coordinator, will give an overview of agricultural trends in the context of the Browns River watershed. Rachel Gilker, UVM Pasture Program Coordinator, will discuss how to successfully use pasture on the farm, while planning for water quality. Karen Bates of VT DEC will outline composting basics. Pam Stefanek of the VT Association of Conservation Districts will cover accepted agricultural practices, funding opportunities and technical assistance. Optional farm visits in the area will include one site where paddocks, watering system and buffers have been installed with assistance from the conservation partners. Bring your questions!

DATE: October 24, 2009

TIME: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

COST: Free to attend. Brown bag lunch. Please RSVP for planning purposes!

DIRECTIONS: Take route 128 from Essex to Westford Center and look for the Brick Meeting House on the eastern end of the Common

QUESTIONS? Pamela Stefanek, pam.stefanek@vt.nacdnet.net, (802)388-6746 x 26.

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