# 2023 Annual Field Day

## Borderview Farm, 487 Line Road, Alburgh, VT 05440

We welcome you to join the University of Vermont Extension Northwest Crops & Soils Program at their Annual Field Day at Borderview Research Farm. You can view the details at <a href="http://go.uvm.edu/conferences">http://go.uvm.edu/conferences</a>.

**DATE:** Thursday, July 27, 2023

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Check-in starts at 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Borderview Farm, 487 Line Road, Alburgh, VT 05440

Cost is \$25 per non-farmer and free for farmers. Includes lunch. Event is rain or shine, dress appropriately. **Advanced registration is required**.

Register here by noon 7/25. VAAFM WQ, Custom Applicator and CCA CEUs credits available.

The field day will get underway at 10:00 a.m. sharp with a tour of the farm and many of its research plots and experiments involving perennial forages, corn, soybeans, small grains, hemp, dry beans, and more.

Growers will get an update on ongoing and innovative crop and soil research trials, and UVM researches will share highlights from their research at the farm. After lunch, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., we will have several afternoon session options.

An Exhibitor Tent will be on-site. If interested email <a href="mailto:susan.brouillette@uvm.edu">susan.brouillette@uvm.edu</a>.

Cost is \$25 per non-farmer and free for farmers. Advanced registration required by 7/25 online at <a href="https://go.uvm.edu/2023annualfieldday">https://go.uvm.edu/2023annualfieldday</a>, or call UVM Non-Credit Registration Office at 802-656-8407.

Questions about the event? Call Susan at 802-524-6501 or 802-656-7611 or email <a href="mailto:susan.brouillette@uvm.edu">susan.brouillette@uvm.edu</a>.

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After lunch, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., we will have several afternoon sessions that you can choose from to attend (will need to pick one).

- **Soil Health**—Come hear the tales a soil pit can tell. Learn about inherent and dynamic soil properties. Observe soil critters that help nutrient cycling. See dung beetles in action and their effect on soil health. Discuss management trade-offs and biodiversity's impact and balance on the landscape.
- **Malt Barley**—Learn about growing and malting barley from UVM Extension and Andrea Stanley from Valley Malt. Participate in a malt taste and aroma session with UVM's sensory expert Roy Desrochers.
- **Pollinator Protection** Join UVM Extension and the Xerces Society to learn about pollinators and strategies such as planter modifications to manage risks from pesticides. The VAAFM will provide information on new rules and regulations focused on pollinator protection.
- **Forages**—Join us to discuss managing forage crops for optimal yield and quality to feed more forage. We'll be joined by dairy nutritionists Patrice Vincent and Kurt Cotanch and grazing expert Sarah Flack. We'll discuss the impacts of cutting height and timing on yield, quality, and species persistence, equipment adjustments for harvest and seeding, and much more.
- **Hemp Processing Demo**—Join for a conversation on hemp fiber. We will take a walk through the various fiber trials and discuss best growing practices for the northeast. See items made from our research fiber and try your hand at the scutching sword. A demo will outline the process from the breaking of stalks to the spinning of yarn, and we will also touch on a bit of the retting process.

### PLANNED TIME SCHEDULE

9:30-10am - register, view exhibits

10-12:30pm - farm tour, stops at trials

12:30-1:30pm - lunch, ice cream, exhibits, networking

1:30-3:30pm - afternoon session choices (above)

4 VAAFM Water Quality, 1 Custom Applicator, and up to 4 CCA CEU credit hours available.

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