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Friday March 4, 2011 ANR Organic Program

12:30-1:00 p.m. Registration and Coffee

1:00-1:10 p.m. Welcome and Overview: Vicki Morrone, Outreach

Specialist for Organic Vegetable and Field Crop Farmers

Organic Research Presentations

1:10-1:25 p.m. Session 5: Outreach Programming

Michigan State University organic farming research, outreach, teaching and service overview, John Biernbaum, Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

1:25-1:40 p.m. Session 1: Organic Fruit

 Carbon and nutrient cycling and beneficial microorganisms in organic and conventionally managed blueberry soils in Michigan, Annemiek Schilder, Jesse Sadowsky, Department of Plant Pathology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48842.

1:40-1:55 p.m. Session 3: Organic Vegetables

Organic tomato and pumpkin production, Dale R. Mutch, Todd E. Martin,
 W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, MI 49060.

1:55-2:10 p.m. Session 2: Field Crops

Michigan organic soybean variety comparison trials, Dan Rossman, MSUE Extension, Gratiot County, MI 48847. 2:10-2:40 p.m. Session 4: Soil Health

- Managing soil organic matter and nitrogen in organic field crops: lessons from a 12 year trial, Sieglinde Snapp, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824, W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, MI 49060.
- ♦ Vermicomposting of campus food residuals and waste at the Student Organic Farm, John Biernbaum, Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

2:40-4:00 p.m. Michigan Organic Farmer Discussion Panel

- ♦ Lee & Laurie Arboreal-Eaters' Guild Farm, Bangor, MI (vegetables & goats)
- Van Morley- Ivan Morley Farms, Standish, MI (field crops)
- John VanVoorhees Pleasant Hill Farm, Fennville, MI (blueberries)

4:00-5:00 p.m. Graduate Student Poster Presentations & Awards Awards announced by Vicki Morrone, Organic Outreach Specialist

Topics of Posters Include:

- Organic Fruit
- Organic Vegetables
- Organic Weed Management
- ♦ Organic Field Crops
- Organic Soil Health