



There has never been a time so full of change and challenges to the sustainability of our Hoosier farms as right now.

This series of farm tours has been developed to provide an opportunity for farmers and other rural residents who are investigating ways to diversify

their operation, to learn from other diversified Hoosier farmers. These featured farmers have led the way in a variety of innovative practices that add to the sustainability of their farm and community. In some cases, diversification involves some new production practice or unconventional crop; in others, it involves the development of a collaborative working arrangement between farmers.

In each session, participants will have the opportunity to:

- Meet innovative farmers to learn from their experiences, their management styles and how they make important decisions.
- Tour Indiana farms and processing facilities.
- Learn about a specific focus issue from a recognized state specialist in that area.
- Network with others who are interested in diversifying their farm or rural enterprises.
- Learn about available resources.

We hope one or more of these sessions will be of value to you.



Who to Call:

If you have questions, want additional information, or need directions, you may call on any of the workshop planners listed below.

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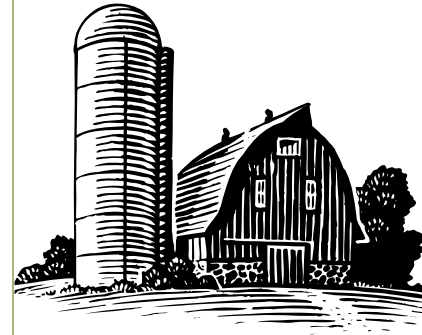
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2007 INDIANA FARM SUSTAINABILITY TOUR

*Exploring Innovative
Farm Systems for
Profitable and
Sustainable Indiana
Agriculture*



This program offers farmers and other rural residents the opportunity to learn from other Indiana farmers about a variety of innovative tools and techniques being investigated and employed to keep their operations profitable in changing times.

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Registration

Conference # 4123-07YR-JMW

Join Us to Experience the Diversity of Indiana Farms

Name(s): _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ Number attending each session x \$15 per person

____ Total enclosed

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Date: (Please circle all that apply)

3/15 4/19 5/17 6/21 7/19 8/23 9/20 10/18 11/15

Pre-registration Deadline:
***** Seven days prior to each session *****
Please make checks payable to Purdue University.
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 Purdue University
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 128 Memorial Mall
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October 18
Specialty Marketing Partnerships
 Birky Family Farms
 Valparaiso Farmers' Market
 Crème de la Crop CSA

November 15
Food Trends: A Look at Consumer Food Expectations and How We Can Meet Them
 Purdue Food Science
Come tour the food science facilities!

August 23
NOTE: Fourth Thursday
Agritourism: Enhancing the Visitor Experience
 Traders Point Creamery

September 20
Family Farming: Keeping the Family in the Family Farm
 Swiss Connection Cheese
 Moody Meats

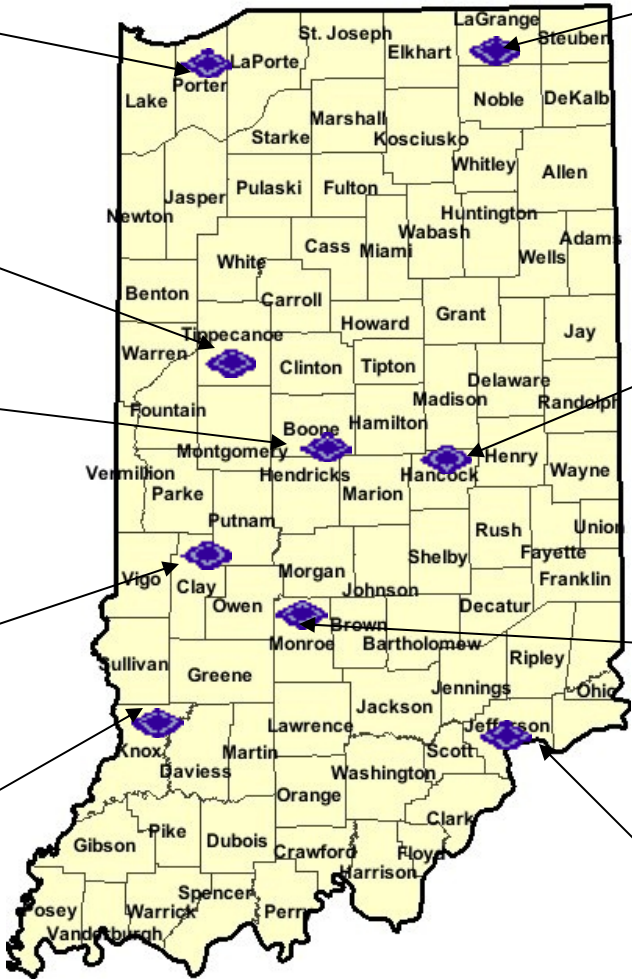
April 19
Opportunities in Horticulture
 Halters Greenhouses and Retail Market
 Apple Hill Orchard
 Melon Acres Asparagus

May 17
Farm Business Structures
 Cook's Bison Ranch
 Gunthorp's Pastured Pork and Poultry

June 21
Urban Fringe Marketing: Meeting the Needs of the Urban Consumer
 Tuttle's Orchard and Farm Market
 Apple Family Farm

July 19
Organic Production and Marketing
 Bloomingfoods CSA
 Stranger's Hill Organic Farm
 Bloomington Farmers Market

March 15
Value Added Processing
 Ohio River Valley Food Venture
 Jennings Co. Growers Meat Market
 Thomas Winery/ Local Harvest



All sessions held on the third Thursday* of the month from 10 a.m.-3p.m. local time (Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.)

*August meeting on fourth Thursday due to State Fair