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Fall 2011 NOSB Meeting - Submit Comments by November 13

The National Organic Standards Board welcomes your comments on their fall agenda items and other topics. Please submit your comments electronically via regulations.gov. Deadline: November 13, 2011. Read more about the Fall NOSB Meeting...

Help Protect Organic in the 2012 Farm Bill

In order to reach deficit reduction requirements, Members of Congress are currently facing the daunting task of determining where the unprecedented spending cuts can, and will, come from. Read more on how to Protect Organic in the Farm Bill...

USDA Supports Research and Marketing of Organic Agriculture in 18 States

Agriculture Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan announced today 23 new grants to research and extension programs working to help organic producers and processors grow and market high quality organic agricultural products. Read more on Research and Marketing in 18 States...

Consumers Win the Right to Know About Their Food

State of Ohio is dropping regulation limiting labeling on organic dairy products in face of organic community pressure. Read more on Ohio Dropping Labeling Restrictions...

NOP Updates 2010-2012 Strategic Plan

The National Organic Program (NOP) has released an updated version of its 2010-2012 strategic plan to reflect its accomplishments thus far, and refine its future projects. Read more on the Updated NOP Strategic Plan...

Ruminant Livestock Producers in NM and TX Granted Temporary Variance

Due to severe drought, the USDA is granting ruminant livestock producers in the following New Mexico and Texas counties with a temporary variance: NM counties: Catron, Cibola, Curry, De Baca, Roosevelt, San Miguel, and Socorro. TX counties: Bastrop, Lamb, and Travis. Read more on the Temporary Variance...

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By advertising with In Good Tilth (IGT) magazine, your products and services reach a wide demographic of Tilth subscribers, supporting members and producers. IGT is also available for free pickup at NW and Midwest health food stores outlets, and is distributed at trade shows and conferences in support of sustainable agriculture. The January/February 2012 IGT display ad deadline is Nov 20. Learn how to advertise in IGT or View the IGT archive...

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Upcoming Events

1000 Friends - The New Face Of Farming
November 14-16, 2011

1000 Friends is launching an initiative called The New Face Of Farming focusing on listening to farmers and ranchers throughout the state to identify land use policy issues that could be adapted to help producers remain viable and profitable.

Join the discussion on:
November 14 - Eugene, OR
November 15 - Phoenix, AZ
November 16 - Corvallis, OR

Sustainable Foods Summit
January 17 - 18, 2012

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Updated Canada Organic Regulations Page on OTCO Website

The OTCO Canada web page has been updated. OTCO Farmers and Processors on both sides of the border will find information and helpful links regarding Canada Standards, US-Canada Equivalency, EU-Canada Equivalency. Visit the new COR page...

Biofach 2012 Table Top Offer

OTA is once again hosting first-time exhibitor table tops at Biofach, Nuremberg 2012. Biofach is the leading organic show worldwide that draws exhibitors and show attendees from 128 countries. It boasts 2,346 exhibitors, 71% of which are international, and 44,591 visitors, 43% are international. Biofach, Nuremberg is not just a European show but a chance to showcase your products to a worldwide audience. Don't miss this chance to experience Biofach with the support of the Organic Trade Association. Read more on Biofach 2012...

San Francisco, CA

The **Sustainable Foods Summit** is a series of summits that focuses on the leading issues the food industry faces concerning sustainability and eco-labels such as Organic, Fair Trade, Rainforest Alliance, etc.

Read more about the Sustainable Foods Summit...

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