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MEMBER NEWS



CULTIVATING RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH COMMUNITY

OEC Gears Up for a New Year!

This December the OEC is busy attending local meetings, supporting initiatives and serving on committees both at the City and Council levels - all helping to promote a vibrant community supporting urban and sustainable agriculture and food systems. They are looking at ways to diversify fundraising and reviewing curriculum for 2011 all while connecting with partners for future planning. The OEC is looking forward to the new year with [educational classes](#) beginning in early February.



Don't forget to check out these other tilth-worthy [events](#)...

Countdown to Organicology has begun, Registration Deadline January 14th



With intensive training sessions, workshops, world class keynote speakers, amazing entertainment and much celebration and networking, Organicology is a conference of its own class. We strive to bring you the newest research and education tracks, while offering ample time to celebrate and network. We look forward to seeing you there! [Check it out!](#)

Oregon Tilth 2009-2010 Annual Report

Federal Court Orders Destruction of GMO Sugar Beets

Greenbank Farm Training Center

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Oregon Tilth's Annual Report has been posted. Topics include:

- A letter from the board of directors gives a summary on what's been happening at Oregon Tilth.
- Get caught up on our Certification Program, current standing at the OEC, and *In Good Tilth*.
- Read about our partnership with USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to deliver training sessions to conservation planners and organic certification professionals.
- Financial charts

[Oregon Tilth Annual Report](#)

On December 2, Federal District Judge Jeffery S. White issued a preliminary injunction ordering the immediate destruction of hundreds of acres of genetically engineered (GE) sugar beet seedlings planted in September after finding the seedlings had been planted in violation of federal law.

The court outlined how GE sugar beets could harm the environment and consumers as pertaining to insufficient containment efforts and the effects of cross-contamination.

Read more on [GE sugar beet destruction ruling](#).

Come to the Greenbank Farm Training Center on [Whidbey Island, WA](#) to learn and practice the technical and business skills you need to start and run a small-scale organic commercial farm. Through cooperatively managing the Center's five acre farm, attending weekly lectures, taking field trips and writing a business plan, program graduates will be ready to manage their own small farm in confidence.

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