Northeast Florida Small Farms Working Group Presents

Water & Nutrient Management with Drip Irrigation on Small Farms

Franklin & Cognito Farms, Bradford County, Florida
Tuesday, May 6, 2008

On Tuesday, May 6, 2008 beginning at 5pm, first at Franklin Farm and then Cognito Farm, these growers will host a workshop on water and nutrient management for niche market producers. Both farms are using drip irrigation techniques for different cropping systems.

Topics

- Advantages of Drip Irrigation vs. Overhead Irrigation
- Nutrient Measuring Equipment
- Building a Fertilization Program for Drip Irrigated Crops
- Water, Fertilizer, and Best Management Practices

Speakers: Jim DeValerio, Bradford County Extension; Bob Hochmuth, Mace Bauer, North Florida Research and Education Center-Suwannee Valley; and Eric Simonne, Horticultural Sciences Department

All Small Farmers who are interested in learning about this topic are invited to attend. There is no charge for this program and pre-registration is not required. Bring a dessert to share for refreshments.

Directions to Franklin Farms:
- SR 301 to CR 225
- At Lawtey
- East on CR 225 1.5 miles
- Farm is on right
- Look for the UF field day sign

Directions to Cognito Farms:
- US 301 to 185 street (fireworks store)
- Between Lawtey and Starke
- East on 185 Street 1 mile
- Farm is on left
- Look for the UF field day sign

Franklin Farm - 5:00 pm to 6:15 pm
Cognito Farm - 6:30 pm to dark

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