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2019 Organic Vegetable Production Conference

February 1st and 2nd
Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

[Registration and Event Information including the Full Conference Agenda](#)

Registration deadline is Friday 1/25

This producer-initiated conference is built around farmer to farmer skill sharing and attracts experienced growers from Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, and beyond. Over 20 farmer panelists representing small, mid, and large scale operations will cover technical production information on garlic, onions (including overwintering), peppers, and one-cut salad heads. Management topics include vegetable no-till, greenhouse management, attracting and compensating labor, and variety selection. Detailed handouts provide an invaluable resource long after the conference ends. New this year will be summaries of farm employee compensation and variety data collected through pre-conference surveys. Full cost is \$150.

“I love that this is a no civilian event, really geared towards professional growers. It’s a safe place to talk about what works and what doesn’t with peers who are facing similar successes or struggles.”

– Paul Betz, High Mowing Seed

Registration: The registration fee is \$150 per person for the full conference and \$90 per person for one day. Interpretation is available in Hmong and Spanish.

You can also contribute your information to 2 new conference handouts. Enter your info in by Sunday 1/21.

- [Favorite Vegetable Varieties](#)
- [Vegetable Farm Employee Compensation](#)

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608-226-0300

Nutrient Management Plan Update Meetings

Wednesdays, January 23 or 30th, attend one or the other
Class begins at 9:00 am, done by 3:30 pm
Lunch provided
To register, contact Jennifer Evans @ 608.742.9687

Items to bring to class:

- Laptop if you have one
- Nutrient Management Binder
- Nutrient Management Flashdrive from previous class
- New soil sample data in electronic form if you have any

Pesticide Applicators Training - Otsego Town Hall

Tuesday, January 23
Begins at 9:00 am
Registration begins at 8:30 am, should be done by 3:30 PM
Lunch will be provided

Be sure to bring along:

- PAT Book with front page
- Photo ID
- SS number

Weekly Emails Online!

<http://columbia.uwex.edu/ag-calendar-and-deadlines/>

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