

Maryland Organic Grain and Forage Workshops

February 25, 2008

Libertytown Volunteer Fire Company

Frederick County

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

March 11, 2008

Queen Anne's County 4-H Park

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

These interactive workshops will provide you with an opportunity to learn about organic grain and forage production in Maryland. You will discover the advantages of sustainable agriculture, learn how to transition to organic, find ways to maximize the conservation benefits of organic farming, and explore the various marketing and infrastructure development opportunities available to you. Speakers will include nationally renowned experts, such as Dr. John Teasdale of USDA ARS Beltsville, as well as local farmers who have successfully made the transition to organic.

The workshops are hosted by the Maryland Department of Agriculture, USDA ARS Beltsville, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Maryland Cooperative Extension and Southern Maryland Resource Conservation and Development Board as part of the USDA MD Conservation Innovation Grant with additional funding from the Wallace Genetic Foundation.

The workshops are FREE, including lunch, but pre-registration is requested.

Please fill out the following by **February 15, 2008** and

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City, State, Zip _____

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I'll attend (please check): Frederick _____ Queen Anne _____

Affiliation: _____

Producer (Type of livestock &/or crops) _____

Agency/Organization _____

Other _____