

Mosier Orchard Walk
Thursday, March 18th, 2004
Moser Grange and Columbia Blossom Orchard
9:00 – 4:00
\$12/farm

Invited Speakers:

Conservation Biological Management Team-Mario Ambrosino, Gwendolyn
Ellen, Paul Jepson, IPPC at OSU with Deborah Brooks, MCAREC
Larry Lacey-USDA, microbials
Dave Bergin-Pest Management Systems
Jim Reed-Columbia Blossom Orchard

Schedule:

9:00-9:30 Introductions

9:30-10:15 Farmscaping for Beneficials

10:15-10:30 Do Hedgerow and Extra Orchard Habitat Enhance Bio-Control?

10:30-11:00 Bug and Human Break and Discussion

11:00-12:00 Larry Lacey and Dave Bergin

12:00-1:00 Lunch (soup and cornbread, locally catered)

1:00-2:00 Questions and Discussion

2:00-3:45 Columbia Blossom Orchard

3:45-4:00 Close

FARMSCAPING FOR BENEFICIALS PROJECT: COMMUNITY IPM

This orchard walk is part of a project which aims to implement conservation biological control (CBC) on a regional scale within Oregon farms. For this to be successful, the methods of CBC will need to be tuned and adapted to fit within our local farming systems. They will need to be relevant to local needs, and they will need to be effective. We believe that the best way to achieve this is through establishment of a community-based project, following the principles of *Community IPM*. IPM (integrated pest management) being a practical and effective starting point for learning about ecology and biodiversity on the farm.

Community IPM is a strategy for local, sustainable agricultural development where farmers:

- act on their own initiative and analysis;
- identify and resolve relevant problems;
- conduct their own local IPM programs that include research and educational activities;
- elicit support from local institutions;
- establish or adapt local organizations that include farmers as decision makers;
- employ problem-solving and decision-making processes that are open and egalitarian;
- create opportunities for all farmers in their communities to participate and benefit from IPM activity;
- promote a locally sustainable agricultural system.

We will adhere to these principles in our project development and greatly value any comments and feedback that you can provide us. We are currently planning with the help of Oregon Tilth, three more farm walks in vegetable farms in and around the Willamette Basin and BugScaping 2004, our 2nd annual informational faire on CBC. Be sure to contact us and let us know you're interested in our project and we will put you on our mailing list.

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