

# Principles of Managed Grazing on Organic Dairy Farms

Thursday, 6 September 2018, 9:30 am-3:15 pm  
Kevin Jahnke Organic Dairy - 5312 Scenic Rd, Lancaster, WI 53813

## Purpose

The UW-Madison Center for Integrated Agricultural Systems, UW-Extension, and Organic Valley are partnering to develop training and build capacity for organic pasture management and soil health. We need your help evaluating and shaping our materials.

Please RSVP to Nadia Alber at [nalber@wisc.edu](mailto:nalber@wisc.edu) or 608-265-6437 by 31 July 2018 if you will attend.

## Topics

Pasture management, the organic pasture rule, and forage testing

## Agenda

| Time        | Activity  |
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| 9:30-10:00  | Arrive - conversation and coffee  |
| 10:00-10:15 | Introduction – Nadia Alber, CIAS Staff (WSBDF Director)   |
| 10:15-11:00 | “Are you getting the Dry Matter you think you are?” Farmer panel – Kevin Jahnke (organic dairy farmer), Vance Haugen (farmer, retired UW-Extension), Gene Schriefer (UW-Extension, farmer) and Altfred Krusenbaum (Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship, former organic dairy farmer) |
| 11:00-12:00 | Hands-on dry matter calculation scenarios   |
| 12:00-1:00  | Lunch   |
| 1:00-1:30   | Organic pasture rule – Bill Stoneman, organic inspector   |
| 1:30-2:00   | Forage testing (NIRS) – A tool to monitor pasture in a changing climate – Patty Laskowski-Morren, organic dairy farmer  |
| 2:00-2:15   | Review of organic pasture resources   |
| 2:15-3:00   | Evaluation – in-depth feedback on the pilot training  |
| 3:15        | Adjourn   |

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