

Soils Health Workshop

Friday, February 18, 2011
Lebanon Fire Safety Complex
23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon
8:30 AM to 4:00 PM



Follow Route 87 to Goshen Hill Road. Fire Safety Complex is approximately ¼ mile down on left.

Registration Fee: \$10 (includes breaks/lunch)

RSVP by Friday, February 11, 2011

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There are more individual organisms in a teaspoon of soil than there are people on Earth?

Come see how YOU can make a difference!

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Farming in the 21st Century

A Practical Approach to Improve Soil Health



Managing for
Soil Health
begins by
*changing the
way you think
about soil.*

What is Soil Health? Why Should I Care?

Soil health is the capacity of a soil to function
(Doran & Parkin, 1993)

- Reduces inputs and costs
- Soil is a living factory of macroscopic and microscopic workers who need food to eat and places to live and do their work.
- Tillage, fertilizer, livestock, pesticides, and other management tools can be used to improve soil health ... or significantly damage it if not applied correctly.
- Managing for soil health is mostly a matter of maintaining the creatures that comprise the soil food web. It can be accomplished by ...
 - Disturbing the soil as little as possible
 - Growing as many different species of plants as practical
 - Keeping living plants in the soil as often as possible
 - Keeping the soil covered all the time

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Name

Street Address

City, State, Zip

Phone No.

No. Attending @ \$10/each

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