

Iowa Farmers Union Produce Safety (FSMA) Field Day

Friday, September 7, 2018 2-6 pm

To ensure a safer food supply, the federal government passed and is enacting the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). The Act shifts the focus from responding to food-borne illness to preventing it. Growers of fresh fruits and vegetables are especially at risk for growing, handling and selling products that may contain pathogens. The Iowa Farmers Union (IFU) is sponsoring field days to help growers with their compliance efforts. IFU is working in collaboration with Iowa State University Extension and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. Each session includes plenty of hands-on experience. This field day will also include organic production topics.

Dinner provided

RSVPs requested. To RSVP, or for special needs, please contact Ronald Tigner at rtigner@iowafarmersunion.org or (515) 357-0503 by September 5.

More Details: For further information and directions see iowafarmersunion.org/blog.

HOSTS:

Iowa Farmers Union

Denise O'Brien and Larry Harris • Rolling Acres Farm

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TOPICS:

- Produce safety
- Worker health, hygiene and training
- Soil amendments and land use
- Agricultural water
- Wildlife and domesticated animals
- Harvesting, post-harvest handling and sanitation
- Farm food safety planning
- Organic production



SPEAKERS:

- Iowa State University Extension produce safety staff

THE FARM:

Rolling Acres Farm has been in organic production since 1976; the farm is organically certified through the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. Denise and Larry have a moveable high tunnel that was constructed through an NRCS program; they raise vegetables and fruit for two CSAs in Omaha, including one that offers payroll deduction for employees. They also sell through Farm Table Delivery, Lone Tree Foods LLC and the Atlantic Hy-Vee.

DIRECTIONS:

From I-80: Take Exit 54 south and follow 590th Street /IA Hwy 173 for 1 mile. Turn left (east) on Chicago Road and go 0.5 mile; the farm is the first place on the left.