



Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

Getting Juiced, Sustainably!

A training workshop focused on the past, present and future of sustainable biofuels in Minnesota

This workshop for natural resource and agriculture educators focuses special attention on small-scale biodiesel and bioenergy crop options. We'll look at past bioenergy efforts and discuss the successes and challenges of emerging community renewable energy projects.

Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Lunch is on your own. Some sessions will be outside; please dress for weather conditions.

Location: Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, 2104 Stevens Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN, 612-870-0453

Cost: No charge for natural resource and agriculture educators, natural resource professionals, students or interested community members.

Registration: *Registration is required.* Please contact Amy Stratton at astratton@iatp.org to register. Write "Workshop Registration" in the subject line and be sure to include your name, title and organization, address, phone and email. You will receive a confirmation email.

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Workshop Agenda

- 9:30 a.m. **Registration and refreshments**
- 10:00 a.m. **Welcome**
- 10:05 a.m. **Where We've Been: Lessons Learned From Corn Ethanol in Minnesota**
 - An examination of policies, practices and conditions that allowed corn ethanol to develop and grow. Presented by Steven Taft, U of M
- 11:00 a.m. **Small-Scale Biodiesel**
 - Small-scale biodiesel processor demonstration. Presented by Sundays Energy (invited)
 - Small-Scale Biodiesel Economics: Aspects and Opportunities of On-Farm Biofuel Production. Presented by Seth Fore, U of M Graduate Research Assistant
- 12:00 **Lunch**; bring a lunch or visit "Eat Street" (a few blocks from IATP)
- 1:00 p.m. **Renewable Energy Garden Tour at IATP**
 - Plant and resource experts: Linda Meschke, Rural Advantage; Maggie Mangan, U of M Graduate Research Assistant; Jill Sackett, U of M Extension; Paula Westmoreland, Ecological Gardens (invited); and other plant experts
- 2:00 p.m. **Where Are We Going All Juiced Up, Sustainably?**
 - A panel discussion on community renewable and sustainable energy projects with "emerging successes." Panelists: Linda Meschke, Rural Advantage; Julia Olmstead, IATP and Sustainable Biodiesel Alliance; and local biodiesel expert(s). Panel moderator: Betsy Wieland, U of M Extension
- 3:00 p.m. **Closing**

NOTE: Please bring your fliers, handouts and materials. A table will be available for presenters and attendees to share their resources.

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