



Sno-Valley Tilth

2009 Annual Report

2009 Activities

- Amended and approved new bylaws for the organization
- Created a nine member Board of Directors with working committees
- Created the 'Snoqualmie Valley Sustainable Foods Project' and sought funding through USDA Specialty Crops Grant
- Refined and expanded membership levels for wider range of membership dues
- Influenced King County policy regarding agricultural structures in the Snoqualmie APD
- Provided recommendations to the King County Council regarding flooding issues and policies
- Provided recommendations regarding 'The Future of Farming' in King County survey and final report which are included in the final report
- Provided input on the issue of the definition of agriculture in APD's
- Operated and guided the 6th year of the Carnation Farmers Market
- Provided community outreach and education at the Carnation Farmers Market in the use of local foods and for supporting local agriculture
- Worked with Carnation City Council to approve permanent market shelters for the Carnation Farmers Market
- Continuing efforts for development of an agricultural processing/ commercial kitchen in the region working Carnation City Council members, 21 Acres, Camp Korey, Senior Center and others
- Conducted public meetings and created an online survey about commercial kitchens, value-added product, community kitchens
- Education outreach in collaboration with Sno-Valley Senior Center- 'Old Skills for a New Time'
- Fundraising planning including Wine & Beer Tasting, On the Farm Harvest Dinners, Tour de Farm Bike Tour and Barn Dances for 2010
- Implementing 2009 Fundraiser- Holiday Hootenany December 17th

2010 Plans for the Year

- Implement 2-3 Fundraising events including Wine, Beer & Cider Tasting; Barn Dances; Dinners on the Farm; Tour de Farm Bike Tour
- Formalize agreement with City of Carnation for permanent market shelters, design and complete shelters by fall 2010
- Create a high quality Membership Directory for distribution, refine website for this purpose
- Operate and guide the 7th Season of the Carnation Farmers Market
- Organize for Commercial Kitchen/ Value-Added access and markets for local agricultural product
- Organize and implement activities for 'Snoqualmie Valley Sustainable Foods Project' including Harvest Potlucks, education programs related to local foods, recipes and a local foods guide.
- Continue to work with the County and State to create policy that protects sustainable 'working farms' and farmlands
- Expand our membership, conduct membership surveys
- Continue efforts to map the Snoqualmie Valley watershed for agricultural uses related to sustainable agriculture