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Local Grain Economy: Bakery Tour of Philmont Community Bakery & Hawthorne Valley Bakery

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Meeting Agenda

- Welcome
- Polling questions
- What is the "local grain economy"?
- Video Tour and Q&A Philmont Community Bakery
- Video Tour and Q&A Hawthorne Valley Bakery
- Overview of the NYS 20-C Food Processor Establishment License
- Poll Questions
- Discussion





The Local Grain Economy

(no official definition)

A community of farmers, millers & processors, distributors, bakers, maltsters, chefs, livestock owners, and others who eat and use grains.

They communicate and interact together to provide and consume local grains, facilitating each other's success and good health.







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Why?

- Healthy economy, people, and community
- Fresh and whole grains taste great

How? (Don Lewis, Wild Hive Farm) Enthusiasm / Open-Mindedness / Determination

- Quality Grain
- Quality Processing
- Proper Baking
- Team Work

- Do not rush to market
- Educate customers
- Start with only a couple "top shelf" products
- Have a stable local supply



NEXT

Three presentations:

- Tour of Philmont Bakery then Q & A
- Tour of Hawthorne Valley Bakery then Q & A
- Overview of the 20-C Food Processor Establishment license
- More discussion

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

What does eastern NY / northeast need in order to develop the local grain economy?

What trade associations are there for NY /northeast commercial and artisan bakers?

What has been your experience so far using locally grown flour/grain?

What do bakers/chefs need to connect with farmers and millers?

What do farmers need to connect with the grain processing, baking, and food community?

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Resources posted on the CAAHP Blog at

http://blogs.cornell.edu/capitalareaagandhortprogram/2020/10/05/local-grain-economy-resources/ List of NYS millers, 20-C resources, grain production resources, local grain economy efforts