

2015 Southeast Alaska Commercial Growers Conference

Conference Dates: Friday, February 27th – Sunday, March 1st

Mission Statement: To bring together SE Alaskan growers in order to share growing and marketing techniques and information, and to promote cooperation and communication between the region's agricultural producers.

Schedule of Events

(All conference participants should plan to arrive in PSG no later than 3pm on Friday)

FRIDAY (2/27) in the Petersburg Council Chambers:

4-4:30pm -- gather at the Petersburg Council Chambers

4:30-5pm -- Conference Welcome by Farragut Farm/General Introductions

5-6pm BREAK FOR DINNER

6-8:30pm -- Farmer "show and tell" (Farmers have 5-10 minutes to describe their operation and share photos. *What are you growing? How do you grow? Who do you sell to? Why do you grow? What is special about your farm?*) Potential farmers, or industry folks can share their intentions/interests and involvement in the agricultural field.

SATURDAY (2/28) at the Lutheran Church Holy Cross House:

8:30am-12pm -- Farmer/Industry specialist presentations (5 total)

BREAK FOR LUNCH

1-5pm – Farmer/Industry specialist presentations (5 total)

BREAK FOR DINNER (sign up for tomorrow's round robin at this time)

7:30pm Join the Petersburg community for a showing of "The Real Dirt on Farmer John"
OR remain at the venue to socialize and network with participants

SUNDAY (3/1) in the Petersburg Council Chambers:

8am-12pm Round Robin consultations – an opportunity for participants to meet one on one with any or all presenters to ask questions and get specific advice for their personal situation.

12-1pm BREAK FOR LUNCH

1-2:30pm -- Closing discussion – A brainstorm session specific to farming in SE Alaska and how we can help to improve our local food shed – ideas for how to work together in the future.

2:30pm -- Participants leaving on the PM jet will head to the airport, SAFE TRAVELS!!
OR

2:30-5pm Farm tour of the Flower Farm, hosted by Deb Hurley and Craig Olson. Their farm is located about 12 miles south of Petersburg; transportation will be arranged for those interested in participating.

*Council Chambers will be available until 8pm on Sunday evening for those who wish to continue to converse and network with other conference participants.

For more info, please email the conference coordinators at farragutfarm@gmail.com