



On-Farm Food Safety Workshops

A series of Four On-Farm Food Safety Workshops will be held in Southeast Alaska the week of July 21st – 26th. The workshops are free and open to all interested growers. Please contact your local workshop coordinator to sign up!

This workshop targets both large and small produce growers, farmers' markets, home gardeners, and anyone who is interested in learning more about safe produce production, handling, and distribution.

A typical agenda for the workshop is as follows;

Content (2 hours)

1. Welcome, introduction, purpose
2. Food Safety for small growers
3. GAP/GHP audit overview
4. Introduction to FDA's new Food Safety Modernization Act regulations
5. Risk analysis – water, soil amendments, growing and handling practices
6. How to create an On Farm Food Safety Plan
7. Harvesting, packing, and distribution



Farm/Garden visit and mock-audit (1 hour)

- On site examples and time for questions.

Some other topics that will be covered

- Schools as a market, record keeping, liability insurance, and traceability of product.

Workshops will be held at the following locations:

Skagway: Sunday 7/21/13, 3-6 PM at Jewell Gardens, after the Skagway Gardeners' Conference. Call (907) 612-0115

Haines: Tuesday 7/23/13, 12:30-3:30 PM at the Haines Library, garden visit to Starvin Marvin. Call (907) 766-3542

Juneau: Wednesday 7/24/13, 12-3 PM at Coop Ext Office, 1108 F St Suite 154, site visit TBD. Call (907) 796-6241

Sitka: Thursday 7/25/13, 6-9 PM at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, visit to church Fellowship Farm. Call (907) 738-8683