

# Strategies to Optimize Yield and Quality of Forage on Your Farm



March 6, 2018

9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Free Registration—Lunch Provided

UMass Crop and Animal Research

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South Deerfield, MA

*Please join us for a multi-state collaborative event that focuses on innovations in sustainable forage production, featuring presentations from several distinguished professors and professionals in the Northeast.*

## Agenda:

- 9:30 – 10:00 Registration + Coffee
- 10:00 - 10:30 Estimates of Massachusetts Dairy Costs and Returns  
*Dr. Dan Lass, UMass*
- 10:30 – 11:00 Managing Weeds in Pastures  
*Dr. Sid Bosworth, UVM*
- 11:00 – 11:30 Forage Sorghum: The Other Corn Crop  
*Tom Kilcer, Advanced Ag Systems, NY*
- 11:30 – 12:00 Understanding the Importance of Fiber Digestibility  
*Rick Kersbergen, UMaine*
- 12:15 – 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 Double Cropping: Making Money on Both Ends  
*Tom Kilcer, Advanced Ag Systems, NY*
- 1:30 – 2:00 Troubleshooting Corn After Cover Crops  
*Sam Corcoran and Masoud Hasbemi, UMass*
- 2:00 – 2:30 Perennial Forage Variety Selection  
*Dr. Heather Darby, UVM*
- 2:30 – 3:00 Get Your Planter Ready for No-Till  
*Jeff Sanders, UVM*
- 3:00 - 3:15 Closing Remarks

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