eOrganic Research and Outreach Project Services

Publication of articles to eXtension

Your project can publish an article on any topic related to your project on our public website at http://www.eXtension.org/organic_production. You are not limited to publishing on your project’s specific findings.

Example: A project investigating a specific pest management practice could publish a summary article on current organic best management practice for that pest in the first year or two of your project, and then publish an article describing research results later in the project. Check out the articles published by the Organic Blueberry OREI to see a published example: http://www.extension.org/pages/31680/organic-blueberry-production-research-project

eOrganic provides peer refereed review, NOP compliance review, and copy editing before publication of your articles and videos to eXtension, and all of this is managed from the eOrganic.info website. To get started publishing articles, create an account at http://eOrganic.info. In the Help (http://eorganic.info/help) you will find the Instructions for Authors and Videographers (http://eorganic.info/node/5199). Please contact Alice Formiga, our acting senior editor at formigaa@hort.oregonstate.edu if you have any questions. If you are publishing content related to organic dairy production, please contact the eOrganic dairy team coordinator, Deb Heleba at debra.heleba@uvm.edu

Video Production How-to and Editing Services

Our first eOrganic Introduction to Video Production class took place in early 2012, and 16 members from different OREI and ORG projects took part. If you or any of the faculty, staff, or graduate students or other project members in your group would like to learn skills to produce videos about organic agriculture, you can now find the course at eXtension’s online campus website at http://campus.extension.org/course/view.php?id=625.

Lane Selman of the eOrganic staff will be offering the course again in 2013, and can help project members who would like to publish videos to eXtension to develop the storyboard and capture the content. She will also edit your videos and move them through eOrganic’s peer-refereed review process. She is also available to answer your questions on equipment and video production strategies. Contact Lane at laneselman@gmail.com for more information or to sign up for the 2013 course. Log into eOrganic and see our Instructions for Authors and Videographers for guidelines on how to submit videos.

Webinars and Live Conference Broadcasts

eOrganic has presented over 80 farming and research webinars, and live broadcasts from organic conferences. If your project plan for the coming year includes webinars, contact Alice at formigaa@hort.oregonstate.edu to reserve a date. Webinars can contain practical information for farmers, describe your research, or present science-based information about a topic related to organic
agriculture— you are not limited to presenting only on your final project findings. Evaluation results (stripped of personal information) are made available to the webinar presenters, so delivering a webinar is an easy way for your project to generate quality, utility and impact data.

Find the archive of past eOrganic webinars and broadcasts at http://www.extension.org/pages/25242. Learn more about how we run our webinars and tips for success by logging into eOrganic and view the page at http://eorganic.info/node/4661

Group Webconferencing

Your project group can use the eOrganic Adobe Connect conference room and/or our free conference call number for your meetings, as long as it is scheduled in advance and there is no conflict with another scheduled call. Webconferencing can also be used to host a discussion with other researchers on an emerging topic. Please contact John McQueen of the eOrganic staff to reserve a date and time at mcqueenj@hort.oregonstate.edu

Group Online Workspaces

If you are working with a multi-institutional group it can be helpful to have a central place to store meeting agendas/minutes, protocols, proposals, data files and photos; collaboratively draft and edit articles and documents; make announcements; share a calendar; or make decisions using a discussion forum. These are some of the many things you can do in your eOrganic group workspace as long as your project members join your group on eOrganic. Contact Alice Formiga at formigaa@hort.oregonstate.edu if you or your group would like an orientation or training session, or if you need help setting up your group workspace. In addition to using the workspace for your group, you can also participate in other discipline groups such as the eOrganic grains group, the dairy group, or the vegetable group. Join these groups by logging into eOrganic, click “Groups”, and join any open groups.

Public Project Website Development

Projects that have included eOrganic as a subaward in grants can also create a simple, template-based public project website hosted by eOrganic; the content is managed by project members through eOrganic.info This can be particularly useful for multi-institution projects as it can be difficult to agree on who should host the website. When the project website is hosted by eOrganic, all universities and organizations involved in the project are equally credited and all project members have access to to the website to manage its content. Interactive features or appearance customization requires additional support. Examples of public websites eOrganic has developed include Carrot Improvement and NOVIC. For more information, contact John McQueen at mcqueenj@hort.oregonstate.edu

Links

- eOrganic website: http://eorganic.info
- eOrganic published resources on eXtension: http://extension.org/organic_production
- Upcoming and archived eOrganic webinars: http://www.extension.org/pages/25242
- eOrganic evaluation report: http://eorganic.info/evaluation