



**Vermont Organic Farmers
Annual Producer Meeting**
Thursday, January 23rd, 2020
10am-2pm
Richmond Free Library
201 Bridge Street, Richmond

Free lunch provided!

Please RSVP by Jan 20th by emailing vof@nofavt.org or calling our office at 434-3821.

Directions: Richmond Free Library. From the North: Take I-89 to Exit 11. Turn right onto US-2 East. In about 2 miles, turn right onto Bridge Street. The library is on the left with parking in front. From the South: Take I-89 to Exit 11. Turn left onto US-2 East. In about 2 miles, turn right onto Bridge Street. The library is on the left with parking in front.

Introduction: This meeting is open to all certified producers (farmers and processors) and those interested in organic certification standards. One person from each certified operation may vote on all proposals. **It is important that certified producers attend this meeting and represent the interests of their operation in the certification process.**

Major Topics

- **New VOF Proposed Standard Clarifications:** The Review Committee has clarified VOF policies concerning specific NOP standards. These policies will be presented and will be voted on by VOF members. These are listed in detail in the attached documents.
- **Budget Discussion & Bylaw Changes:** The 2020 VOF budget will be presented and voted on. A 3% increase of the base fee which is equal to \$15 per operation is included in the budget. VOF will also be proposing important changes to our by-laws.
- **Materials Update:** Come hear about important changes to the National List and other updates about allowed and prohibited materials for use by organic producers.
- **Updates & Reports:** Come and hear important updates on the National Organic Standards, organic policy issues, hemp, and much more.