

WASHINGTON FARMLINK
The Resource Center for Farms and Farmers in Transition

NEW FARM OPERATOR
Enrollment Form

Complete this form and send to:

Cascade Harvest Coalition / FarmLink, 4649 Sunnyside Avenue North Room 123, Seattle, WA 98103

For both the applicant and co-applicant/spouse, please answer the following by checking all answers that apply, and completing the descriptions. Please print in ink or type. For some questions, you may choose to check several answers. Use additional pages for your answers if the spaces provided are not sufficient. A summary of this information will be available to individuals interested in this program, with the complete application available to landowners upon specific request. There is a \$35 annual program fee for enrolling. Please make your check payable to Cascade Harvest Coalition and mail to the address above.

SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant: _____

Anticipated role: _____

Co-Applicant/Spouse: _____

Anticipated role: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: *day*() *evening*() *email*: _____

Education: (*indicate levels completed & degrees; if applicable, any agricultural training*)

What types of additional training would be helpful to you in your agricultural operation? (*computer, farm management, finances, mechanics, etc.*)

Describe your current occupation(s) and responsibilities. If you are currently farming, please state the size, type(s), and location of the operation. Will you and/or your spouse continue your current occupation(s)?

Have you had any agricultural employment and/or experience? If yes, please describe.

SECTION II: AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

County/counties of Washington in which you are interested:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adams | <input type="checkbox"/> Douglas | <input type="checkbox"/> King | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific | <input type="checkbox"/> Stevens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asotin | <input type="checkbox"/> Ferry | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitsap | <input type="checkbox"/> Pend Oreille | <input type="checkbox"/> Thurston |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benton | <input type="checkbox"/> Franklin | <input type="checkbox"/> Kittitas | <input type="checkbox"/> Pierce | <input type="checkbox"/> Wahkiakum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chelan | <input type="checkbox"/> Garfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Klickitat | <input type="checkbox"/> San Juan | <input type="checkbox"/> Walla Walla |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clallam | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant | <input type="checkbox"/> Lewis | <input type="checkbox"/> Skagit | <input type="checkbox"/> Whatcom |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clark | <input type="checkbox"/> Grays Harbor | <input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln | <input type="checkbox"/> Skamania | <input type="checkbox"/> Whitman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Columbia | <input type="checkbox"/> Island | <input type="checkbox"/> Mason | <input type="checkbox"/> Snohomish | <input type="checkbox"/> Yakima |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cowlitz | <input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson | <input type="checkbox"/> Okanogan | <input type="checkbox"/> Spokane | |

Type of agricultural operation(s) interested in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aquaculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Beef | <input type="checkbox"/> Berries | <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy | <input type="checkbox"/> Grain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Herbs | <input type="checkbox"/> Hogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Horses | <input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nuts | <input type="checkbox"/> Orchard/Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Poultry | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep | <input type="checkbox"/> Turf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Vineyard | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | | | |

Are you interested in organic farming? _____ YES _____ NO

Acres desired:

_____ 10-or less _____ 11-100 _____ 100-+

Please indicate which of the following resources that you are able to contribute to a FarmLink match.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Labor | <input type="checkbox"/> Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Machinery | <input type="checkbox"/> Livestock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/spouse assistance | <input type="checkbox"/> Off-farm income | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | | |

Describe your housing needs: _____

SECTION III: TRANSACTION

Type of business arrangement(s) you may be interested in:

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| _____ Lease | _____ Lease with an option to purchase |
| _____ Buy | _____ Employee/Employer (working agreement with future transfer) |
| _____ Cooperative farming (e.g. farming with others, sharing equipment, etc.) | |
| _____ Other: _____ | |

What level of responsibility and management control do you wish to assume during the transition of a farm business? Please explain: _____

How long do you anticipate this transfer will take?

Minimum _____ yrs/months Maximum _____ yrs/months

Is financial assistance needed in purchasing an operation and/or land?

_____ YES _____ NO

How did you learn about FarmLink?

Internet WSU Cooperative Extension Other
 Word-of-mouth Brochure/flier

Do you belong to any agricultural organizations? If yes, please list.

NO YES: _____

SECTION IV: COMMENTS

What are your plans/goals for a farm business?

Short-term (1-5 years): _____

Long-term (over 5 years): _____

If there is anything else about you, your property, or your operation that you would like a potential link to know about, please feel free to share the information in the space below (feel free to also attach any additional material relevant to your interest in FarmLink).

Please check which of the following resources that would assist you with the transfer process:

<input type="checkbox"/> Access to Capital	<input type="checkbox"/> Conflict Resolution & Negotiation	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Product Marketing
<input type="checkbox"/> Access to Farm Lands by Land trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Estate Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Apprenticeships	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Planning and Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate

I understand that FarmLink's function is to gather and distribute information. It does not guarantee the accuracy of the information collected, the distribution of the information collected, or the matching of interested parties leading toward a legal agreement.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith for the purpose of participating in the FarmLink Program.

I give the FarmLink Program permission to release my name, address, phone number and any other information provided in this questionnaire to persons who are interested in discussing a possible business arrangement with me.

Applicant signature: _____ *Date:* _____

**Mail completed form and program fee to:
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