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### What We Do

We bring a food systems focus to Vermont agriculture, conducting research, supporting new projects and bringing a collaborative, multi-disciplinary approach to the opportunities and challenges facing Vermont growers and agriculture-related businesses. Below are some of the specific services we offer, and current and completed outreach and research projects.

#### Services for Farmers

- » One-to-one Assistance for Livestock Farmers
- » Shiitake Mushrooms as a Farm/Forest Enterprise
- » Land Access: Help for New Farmers and for Landowners
- » Youth Agricultural Individual Development Account Program
- » Help Understanding GAPs Certification
- » Practical Produce Safety for Your Vermont Farm
- » Equine Pasture Management
- » UVM Extension New Farmer Project

#### Current Research & Innovative Projects

- » Mental Modeling of Small-Scale and Direct Market Farmers to Develop Produce Safety Curricula
- » Tools for grass farmers to monitor grazing behavior and forage utilization in real time
- » Biodiversity & Cattle Wellbeing
- » Produce Washwater Study
- » Food Access & Rural Grocery Stores
- » Exploring the Market for Dry Beans in Vermont
- » Shiitake Mushrooms as a Farm/Forest Enterprise

#### Research Results & Reports

- » Addressing Pasture Compaction through Keyline Plowing and Tillage Radishes
- » Bedded Pack Survey Report
- » Community Biomass Project
- » Dairy Systems & Sustainability
- » Economic Impacts of GAPs for Vermont Farms
- » Equine Pasture Management Project
- » Farmers & Food Access
- » Intervale Food Hub Project
- » New Farmer Project
- » Pasture forage quality and yield response to irrigation, N fertilizer, and organic amendments
- » Perceptions of Raw Milk Report
- » Renewable Energy on the Farm

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