

CORNELL/USDA POTATO FIELD DAY

Monday, July 1, 2024

Sponsored by the Empire State Potato Growers, Inc.

- 9:30 AM** Registration – Thompson Vegetable Research Farm, Freeville, NY
- 10:00 AM** **Brian Nault:** Identifying potato pest management programs without inclusion of neonicotinoids
- Laura Martinez:** Combining biological and behavioral control for Colorado potato beetle management using synthetic pheromones
- Walter De Jong:** The National Chip Processing Trial / Northeast Regional Potato Yield Trial
- Zach Hansen:** Update on Status of Late blight / Searching for Fields to Sample for Colletotrichum and Verticillium
- Michelle Heck and Stephanie Preising:** Potato Defenders: Harnessing transgenic plants to shield potatoes from aphids and aphid-borne viruses
- Bryan Swingle:** Soft Rot Resistance / Developing Tools to Detect Soft Rot Pathogens and Zebra Chip
- 12:30 PM** Lunch at the Thompson Vegetable Research Lab in Freeville
- 1:30 PM** Travel to potato breeding plots on Mount Pleasant, where Walter De Jong and **Pia Spychalla** will describe the breeding process
- 3:00 PM** Travel to Cornell campus, where **Xiaohong Wang** will provide a tour of the Golden Nematode Quarantine Facility
- ~ 4:00 PM** Program ends