

Peace Region Farm Club - Follow Up Notes

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Access to Equipment

For eg. specific equipment for specific jobs

- Lighter harrows
- Bigger tractor
- combcut

What is the problem?

- Limited rental options
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- Distance
- Risk
- Scheduling
- Education

Ideas/Potential solutions

- Equipment share
- County rentals/cross-county collaboration
- Traveling equipment road show
- Equipment hubs
- Being creative with what you have - share what works

Harvesting Green Bud

Issues:

- Cannot use combine
- Cannot touch ground
- 80% moisture

Solutions:

- Stagger seeding
- Modify swather
- Harvest stages
- Modify dryer
- WOOFERS
- Look at hops, the farm show paper -- inventions

Missing

- How many acres can a WOOFER harvest?
 - Work away program
 - Soil program
 - Young Agrarians apprenticeship

Additional Resources

- **Succession Planning** <http://organicalberta.org/article/succession-success/?platform=hootsuite>
- **Green Manures** <http://www.pivotandgrow.com/resources/production/green-manures/green-manure-tool-kit/>
- **Intercropping** <http://www.pivotandgrow.com/resources/production/intercropping/>
- **Organic No-till** <https://www.manitobacooperator.ca/crops/can-organic-no-till-work-in-the-field/>
- <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/oacc/en-home/about/about-oacc/documents/newspaper-articles/newsarticles-2012/newsarticle-2012-notill.html>
- **Certification Bodies** <http://organicalberta.org/grow-organics/getting-started/transitioning-your-farm-to-organics/certifying-bodies/>