

Organic Potato Field Day Recap

On July 30, 2026, 31 farmers and agricultural professionals gathered at Igl Farms for a field day focused on organic potato production. Family owned and operated for more than 75 years, Igl Farms specializes in growing healthy, nutritious organic potatoes and selling them in both small and large quantities.

Igl Farms uses a diverse crop rotation that includes potatoes, oats, clover and alfalfa hay, pastureland for beef cattle and horses, and field peas grown for seed. The farm follows biological farming principles promoted by Advancing Eco-Ag and Midwest Bio-Ag, focusing on balancing soil minerals, increasing soil biology, and improving soil tilth and structure to build healthier soil and crops.

The field day highlighted the opportunities and challenges of growing organic potatoes, including fertility management, weed and pest control, disease considerations, organic markets, and transitioning to organic production. The day began with presentations from Advancing Eco-Ag and Midwest Bio-Ag on certified organic fertility practices and approaches to building healthy soils in potato fields.

Participants then toured specialized equipment used in organic production before heading into the fields for discussions about weed and pest management and fertility considerations. The hands-on field discussions gave attendees an opportunity to see production practices firsthand and ask questions about managing potatoes within an organic system.

The event provided participants with practical information about organic potato production while showcasing Igl Farms' long-standing experience and commitment to soil health and biological farming. Thank you to Igl Farms, Advancing Eco-Ag, and Midwest Bio-Ag for sharing their knowledge and experience with the agricultural community.