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# ILI'ILI FARMS <br> OUR JOURNEY INTO <br> AQUAPONICS 

And all the help we got along the way
(Thank you)

## ONE YEAR AGO OUR BACKGROUND



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## OUR FIRST AQUAPONICS SYSTEM



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# STARTING A <br> COMMERCIAL FARM 

How to make money?
How to get your product sold
Considerations:

- Deciding on a Market
- Getting Certifications
- Controlling Pests and Disease


## DECIDING ON A MARKET

- Delivery
- Location
- Volume
- Paperwork
- Standards
- Packaging
- Trends



## TYPES OF MARKETS

Direct Marketing Wholesale<br>- U-Pick<br>- Stand<br>- Restaurants<br>- Grocery Stores • Broker

- Consistent quantity
- Consistent quality


## CERTIFICATIONS: FOOD SAFETY (GAP)

- Food Safety Audits
- Ranch vs.
- Packing Facility (HACCP)
- Good Agricultural Practices
- Contaminants:
- Chemical
- Biological
- Physical



## CERTIFICATIONS: ORGANIC

- USDA National Organic Program - Farmers: gross sales of $\$ 5,000+$ - National List of Allowed \& Prohibited Substances or OMRI
- Inputs: composition, source, use
- Accredited certifying agents
- Record Keeping \& Traceback
- Seed $\rightarrow$ Plant $\rightarrow$ Harvest $\rightarrow$ Sold


## CONTROLLING PESTS \& DISEASES

- "You're too late already" - Clyde
- Plan to contain or disinfect
- Prevention
- Physical barriers
- Beneficial insects
- Chemical Application

Safe for fish?
Sticking?


## CHEMICAL APPLICATION

- Regulations

Approved for Hawaii?
Approved for specific crop?
Organic?

- Proper Application
- Mix ratios
- Re-entry intervals
- Consumption limits



## SUMMARY

Before you grow:

- Pick a Market
- Know Certification Requirements
- Plan for Pest \& Disease Control

DON'T QUIT YOUR DAY JOB! (yet)

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