

ORGANIC AQUAPONICS Waianae, Hawaii

ILI'ILI FARMS OUR JOURNEY INTO 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 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

- U-Pick
- Stand
- Restaurants
- Grocery Stores

Wholesale Marketing

- Co-op
- Wholesaler
- Broker

- Consistent quantity
- Consistent quality

CERTIFICATIONS: FOOD SAFETY (GAP)

- Food Safety Audits
 - Ranch vs.
 - Packing Facility (HACCP)
- Good Agricultural Practices
- o 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 → Plant → Harvest → 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)

THANK YOU

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