

What: Technical Case Studies (Loon Organics & Clover Valley Farms)

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For farmers interested in sustainable farming

Why: "Today's aspiring farmer is confronted with many sustainable agriculture resources, which generally fall into two categories: inspiring narratives and technical bulletins. The Profiles in Sustainable Agriculture project seeks to integrate these two types of resources into a technical case study format that combines a detailed narrative with embedded technical assistance via links to finance, production, and marketing resources. This 'one-stop shop' case study format provides beginning and transitioning farmers with both a motivating story and the contextual understanding needed for integrating the nuts and bolts of sustainable farming into a real-life enterprise."

How: in depth information on 2 sustainable farming enterprises through interviews with the farmers, outside resources cited as well.