

Farming Opportunities and Challenges in Central Arizona

March 5, 2025

Florence Library & Community Room

778 N. Main Street, Florence AZ 85132

AGENDA

9:00 – 10:30 am	Panel of classmate experiences: + Clyde Gabel (Ranchito Holdings, LLC) + Luanne Rieter-Leslie (Desert Rose Therapy) + Gina Enos (Lucy Farms) Panel Q&A for 20-30 minutes.	
10:30 – 11:00	Rhiba Farms History	Mark Rhine
11:00 – 11:15	Break / Networking	
11:15 – 11:45	Urban Small-Scale Production: State-of-affairs with USDA-NRCS programs	Phil Jacquez, USDA-NRCS
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch /Networking	(sack lunch provided)
12:30—1:00	The value of having a non-profit and for-profit corporation at the same time	Lina Austin, 3F
1:00 – 1:45	Climate's impact on agriculture and health	Dr. Russell Tronstad, UA

Farm Tour (directions provided at class)
2:30 – 4:00

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