## **Press Release**

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## **Small Farms Conference in Food Safety**

<u>Yakima, WA:</u> Center for Latino Farmers, a division of the Rural Community Development Resources (RCDR), in partnership with WSDA will be sponsoring a Small Farms Conference for new/beginning farmers & ranchers transitioning to farm operators titled "Food Safety for Farmers and Consumers."

**Date:** February 10, 2017

Time: 7:30am to 3:30pm

**Place:** Yakima Convention Center

10 North 8th Street, Yakima, WA 98901

The all-day networking & educational event is to bring together producers, professionals and businesses in agriculture from throughout the region and the State of WA, to educate the audience and hear from experts and other farmers about the issues facing small producers. Presenters from federal and state agencies will be speaking on topics such as Specialty Crop programs and services, FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA), gap certification, farm risk management awareness, and many other important subjects.

Sponsor opportunities and exhibit spaces are still available. For interested for more information, please call 509-453-3157 to register or to receive more information.