

NOVEMBER 2025 AG REPORT

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Sullivan County

PAST WORKSHOPS

Farmer Mixer at Rock Valley Spirits - November 17th:

Attendees had a private tour of Rock Valley Spirits where they learned about the history of the farm and the production of farm distillery products.

Farm Business Series: Classes 3 and 4, 11/3 & /11/10: 23

people registered for the series. Class 3 featured Rose Wilson with Rose Wilson Consulting LLC and Emily Tybur from Foodshed Capital who instructed on best financial management practices to prepare for taxes, grant applications and potential lending opportunities. Class 4 featured presentations from Kendra Payne with The Herbal Scoop and Kim Hickock with Marketing Kangaroo on how to market your farm business and navigate your businesses online presence by working with AI and algorithms.

Raising Goats and Sheep-11/12/2025: 20 registrants were provided information on raising sheep and goats. This introductory webinar detailed nutrition, housing, breeding, and overall husbandry methods on raising these livestock successfully.

Passing the Torch: Farm Transfer Planning and Conservation Easements - 11/13/2025: 17 registered/ 15 attended. Attendees gained knowledge about how conservation easements can be a tool for estate planning, capital gains management, and long-term land protection. Through a collaboration with Orange County Land Trust and FarmNet, the program discussed resources offered to support the process and opportunities for future conservation.

Cornell Small Farms Intro to Poultry Production Webinar Course 11/4-12/9/2025: Cornell Small Farms Intro to Poultry Production Course, co-taught by Michelle Proscia is a 6-week online course, where participants are taught the ins and outs of raising poultry, including business planning, marketing, processing, feeding and nutrition.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

Technical Assistance/Inquiries: 130 Soil/Hay Tests: 4 Farm Visits: 1

Technical Assistance was provided on land access, ag districts, farmland preservation, Catskills Kitchen (insurance, business structures, permitting & licensing), soil testing, beginning farmer, soil tests, field crops, poultry production, plant pests, disease, and ID, vegetable production, business planning, whole farm planning.

38 total Hours of Technical Assistance.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

- **Protecting Your Legacy: Conservation Easements for Farmers** - December 3 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM
- **Municipal Strategies for Farmland Preservation** - December 8 from 5:30 - 7:30PM
- **Invasive Species Webinar: a 2 part series** - December 9 and 16th from 5:30 - 6:30PM



KITCHEN TAKEOVER FUNDRAISER



AT THE COCHECTON FIRESTATION

December 9th 3-9pm
1 Depot Rd, Cochecton, NY 12726

The Sullivan Fresh staff are taking over the Cochecton Firestation kitchen! Experience a one-of-a-kind Sullivan Fresh Menu featuring locally sourced ingredients prepared and served by our team!

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE SULLIVAN FRESH
FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM.**

Learn more at: sullivanccce.org/KitchenTakeover

