

Indigenous and Biodynamic Agriculture

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- c. **Summary**

Inquiries –

- Lunar cycles – with biodynamic and native Hawaiian
- What is biodynamic, what are its practices? How does it work?
- Spirituality and agriculture
- What is the difference between biodynamic and organic?
- Lived experience connection to science
- Quantum physics of relationship mindfulness

Concerns –

- Indigenous agriculture as practiced now mixed with poverty/green revolution
- Integrity of farming systems needs to include how people are treated

Info/Resources –

- Short film about Love Apple Farms
- Biodynamics.com – fact sheets, webinars
- CASFS has a history of biodynamic not talked about much now
- Relationship with the land is essential to every form of successful farming and gardening
- Internal biodynamic certification standard – Demeter

Options/Next steps –

- Make more approachable info about biodynamics available
- Looking at many systems and incorporating what makes sense to you
- Recognizing visceral, felt experience as well as conceptual knowledge