



Live Power Community Farm



BIODYNAMIC FARMING OPPORTUNITY 2018

Farming opportunity for skilled vegetable growing couple or individual at Live Power Community Farm, a 50 acre biodynamic farm founded by Stephen and Gloria Decater in 1973 in Covelo, California. The property is in a beautiful mountain valley setting adjacent to the Mendocino National Forest and Eel River in Mendocino County in Northern California. It has good quality loam soil, an extensive irrigation system supplied by 3 wells, cross fencing, and is protected by a precedent-setting agricultural conservation easement designed to ensure that the land will remain in active organic or biodynamic agricultural production/good stewardship, and affordable to future generations.

The founders are retiring from vegetable production. They and their dedicated CSA community hope to find a successor who will carry on the legacy of this live-powered, community-centered farm. Incoming farmer(s) will need to have vegetable growing experience and be capable of managing and operating an independent vegetable producing enterprise of 1 to 4 acres for 100 to 200 member households within a 50 acre biodynamic whole farm organism and desiring to use biodynamic and live power practices (PV electric, work animal tillage, on farm generated fertility) and associative economic community based rather than market based business/economic practices. Ideally the applicant would have experience or interest in biodynamic farming practices.

The Decaters would like to start with either a trial lease or crop share of the vegetable CSA/hiring a manager and working towards a longer-term transition. And there are additional enterprises besides the vegetable CSA such as animal husbandry and teamster work with the draft horses that are open to anyone who has the skills and ability to carry this work. There is a cabin available and Stephen and Gloria live on site and will be available for mentoring. Please contact livepower@livepower.org for further information and to apply.