



# FARMER FORUM

**Farmers! Join us for an upcoming series of monthly conversations on seasonally-relevant topics, with opportunities for in-person meetups and on-farm demos from expert farmers. Topics targeted for farmers in high production regions of Maine and Alaska.**

## Who should sign up?

Anyone planning to farm kelp during the 2022-2023 season is invited to register. If you're an aspiring farmer looking to get involved, but not outplanting this fall, stay tuned for a future series for prospective farmers. In the meantime, check out the Annual Operations course curriculum on GreenWave's Ocean Farming Hub and post your questions to the community!

**2022 SEP 8**

**SEP 22**

**OCT 10**

**OCT 31**

**NOV 10**

**DEC 13**

**2023 JAN 26**

**FEB 7**

**FEB 23**

**MAR 9**

**MAR-APR**

**APR 25**

## Cross-Regional Farmer Meet & Greet

Portland, ME

## Gear Choice Workshop

A Q&A forum with expert farmers and marine engineers to answer all your questions on choosing new anchors, lines and flotation systems.

## Kelp Climate Fund (KCF) Kick-Off Meeting

For farmers participating in this year's Kelp Climate Fund program.

## Farm Horror Stories: Lessons Learned From What Went Wrong

Halloween special! Real life farm disaster stories, and how to avoid them.

## Content Generation & Social Media Marketing

A workshop by marketing specialists on how to leverage your time on the water to build your customer base and your brand.

## Kelp Sales Planning 101

Identify your customer base and make a sales plan

## Optimal Post-Harvest Handling & Storage

Results from GreenWave's post-harvest storage trials on the optimal storage conditions for fresh sugar kelp.

## Co-packing With Kelp

Advice and guidance on working with a co-packer to produce a shelf-stable value added product with sugar kelp.

## Planning for Harvest

A discussion on predicting yields, biofouling, and communicating to buyers. Plus make a food safety plan for your boat and choose optimal containers for storage.

## The Science Behind the Environmental Benefits of Kelp Farms

Hear from scientists working quantifying the environmental impact of kelp farms on what we know, and what we're still learning.

## Harvest Workshop

In person farm tour and harvest workshop. Location and date TBD.

## Season Retrospective

Share takeaways from the season, ask how others solved similar problems, and commit to changes for next year.