

## Northeast Food Systems Forum, December 7-8, 2011, Beltsville, MD

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Charlotte Eberlein	Extension Director University of Idaho Extension PO Box 1827 Twin Falls, ID 83303-1827 PH 208-736-3603	ceberl@uidaho.edu	How to expand the local food system effort in southwest Idaho in a systematic fashion. I'd like to learn about best practices developed in the northeast---what works, what doesn't work, etc.
Kathryne (Kate) Everts	Extension Specialist, Vegetable Plant Pathology University of Maryland 27664 Nanticoke Rd. Salisbury, MD 21801 PH 410-742-8788	keverts@umd.edu	Plant Pathology Pest Management Organic and Sustainable agriculture
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			entrepreneurship. Goetz also serves as the Project Director of the NIFA-funded integrated grant “Enhancing the Food Security of Underserved Populations in the Northeast Through Regional Food Systems Development,” which includes 12 institutions across the region and representatives from 11 disciplines. The grant is funded in the amount of \$5 million (2011-2016).
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