

VERMONT WORKING LANDS ENTERPRISE INITIATIVE

Screamin' Ridge Farm Inc.

East Montpelier, VT



Screamin' Ridge Farm™ produces sustainably grown vegetables and a growing selection of flavorfully crafted food, like soups, pesto, salsa, and tomato sauce. Run by Joe Buley, Jr. and his staff, they follow a biorational approach and run the farm year-round—relying on unheated passive-solar greenhouses, interior row covers, raised beds, and sunny days for winter production.



Screamin' Ridge Farm plans to rent space for a USDA-inspected commercial kitchen to be shared via sublease arrangements with Vermont Bean Crafters (VBC) and Blackwell Roots Farm. By the conservatively estimated new facility move-in date of October 2015, Screamin' Ridge Farm (SRF) and VBC will have been utilizing the Mad River Food Hub (MRFH) incubator for 3 years each. Both businesses have benefitted enormously from this experience and are growing rapidly. If this growth rate is sustained, the next-stage value-added production, catering, storage, and distribution facility we are planning will be adequate for 3–5 years for all businesses.

Total Working Lands Grant—\$50,000.00

Total Match provided by Screamin' Ridge Farm—\$75,000.00