



Claudia Balducci, the Mayor planted a blueberry bush

### PARADISE FARM – HEADQUARTER SITE

Farmer Frog is working with the Snohomish County Parks Department about final details regarding the long term lease agreement about the Lloyd Estate, a historical farm site in the Paradise Valley Conservation Area. The farm is now named Paradise Farm. Farmer Frog started and desires to continue utilizing the site and hopes to provide the services and programs out of this location as it is detailed below.

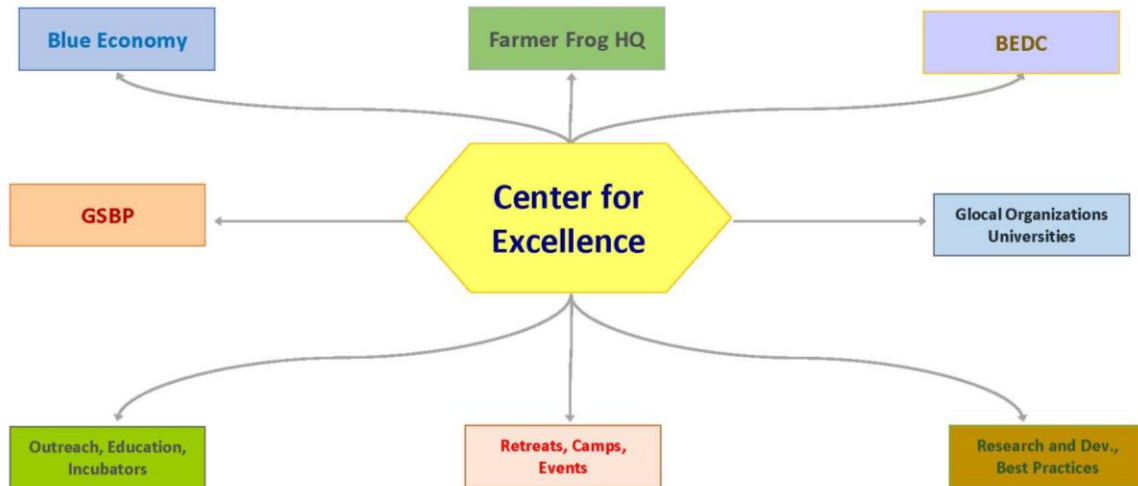
We are creating a Center for Excellence, a Headquarters for our programs, team and collaborative projects. The site is one of the first farms of our state, started by the Lloyds as a homestead back in the 1870s. It needs repairs. Lots of repairs! The buildings need restoration, parking, septic, growing areas need to be designed and built. The forested areas need restoration. Trails need to be rebuilt and added onto. There is lot to be done, but the potential is tremendous. This is a project that can become a shining star for the entire state and region.

The barns are not registered as historical buildings. Our team works with other organizations, individuals and the community to develop the site. We are planning at least 140 years ahead, 7 generations out into the future. Because the farm has that much history as a farm, eventually it has the potential to bridge across almost 300 years, right here and now, in the present.

Funding will have to be evaluated for each phase and area as separate project financing. Our timeline depends on money available. We can get things done in just a few years and complete it all, or take over a decade. Either way, this site will enhance the lives of everyone in Snohomish and King County, in fact, everyone in our region, who is interested in agriculture, its history and future.

## Center for Excellence

How the HQ holds it all together?



- Farmer Frog intends to keep the site as an **agricultural and site management education center, a Center for Excellence** demonstrating and teaching sustainable, innovative and intense food growing and ecosystem positive site management methods. These systems include, but are not limited to compost soxx and Construks technologies, Low Impact Development, vertical growing methods, aquaponic systems and permaculture guild growing techniques. Farmer Frog involves as many partners as it can inviting them to participate in programs and projects and collaborate with our team. The Center is hoped to be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We plan to create, maintain and showcase an **agricultural heritage demonstration project** on the site which will include indoor and outdoor displays of the history of food production not only after the settlers built farms, but prior to the arrival of Europeans, also showcasing how the Native Americans utilized the land. The demonstration project will be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We wish to restore the wetland area and enhance the native wooded area on site while collaborating with local tribes and anthropologists. This will also be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We aim to build various size hoop houses and greenhouses enabling us to grow food year-round protecting our produce and assisting us with off-season production. These systems and other facilities on the site as well will be powered with alternative energy systems if and as soon as possible which include solar, wind, biomass and other solutions, even solutions not invented yet, but becoming available in the future. The facilities will be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We intend to grow a variety of agricultural crops both livestock and vegetation. This includes, but is not limited to fish, worms, bees, chickens and other poultry flocks, large hoofed animals, grains, herbs, fiber plants, mushrooms, microgreens, sprouts, woody fruit bearing and non-fruit bearing

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plants, perennial and annual vegetables and flowers, etc. The food crops will be grown for sale, donations and educational purposes.

- We propose to create a commercial kitchen and processing facilities which comply with the given codes inside or outside the existing structures and process added value (canned, cooked and baked goods, candles, soaps, beauty products, etc.) products for sale, donations and for educational purposes. These practices are also be part of a curriculum taught onsite and all of these activities and products will be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We plan to create a retreat area on the property complete with small cabins, yurts or similar, children's play area and the necessary restroom and support facilities designed to be septic-free composting reclamation and recirculating systems. The goal of this area is to house visitors temporarily, including youth, who participate in programs that take several days at the facility, such as youth summer camp. The retreat area will be a revenue source for Farmer Frog.
- We aim to renovate the main house in order to create classrooms, offices, maybe a small flat or studio/room for a live-in caretaker, a commercial kitchen, bathrooms and restrooms as needed, storage, laundry facility, etc. Farmer Frog will maintain the historical elements of the home, and will create spaces that are code compliant. The completed building and amenities will be source of revenue for Farmer Frog.
- Farmer Frog offers to renovate the existing outbuildings and structures as long as experts do not recommend otherwise for safety reasons, and these structures will house animals, growing systems, processing facilities and studios, trade shops and event spaces. The completed buildings and amenities will be source of revenue for Farmer Frog.
- Farmer Frog desires to build additional animal housing as needed for the animals on the farm. An outdoor kitchen and oven or more will be built and new well on the upper part of the property may be installed in order to help with the plumbing for the buildings, retreat area and irrigation systems. The completed buildings and amenities will be source of revenue for Farmer Frog.
- Farmer Frog proposes to utilize the estate demonstrating multiple methods of doing things sustainably on a small farm. This will include, but will not be limited to research by the Farmer Frog team and partners, such as universities and institutes. Our projects and methods demonstrated will be wildlife friendly and duplicable. All of the activities and projects will be revenue sources for Farmer Frog.
- We intend to open our facility as part of organized events and activities to community groups in the region. These groups will include, but will not be limited to schools, transitional centers, release programs, rehab programs, mental hygiene programs, marginalized community assistance programs and more. All of the activities and projects will be revenue sources for Farmer Frog.
- We plan to create and run research activities, entrepreneurship development programs, tradesman/tradeswoman and urban farmer incubation, innovation, women and youth programs, global engagement programs, life skill training programs, conference programs, public and community outreach programs, eco-tourism, academic tourism, internship, externships and exchange programs, cultural programs and events. All of the activities and projects will be revenue sources for Farmer Frog.

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- Charging for the activities and programs is essential for our organization as this is how we can financially sustain our activities on the long run. Farmer Frog plans to use mechanized and power equipment if needed to complete tasks.
- Farmer Frog proposes a lease for the site that is for ten (10) years ongoing with renewal option. We intend to restore and maintain the site to the best of our ability instead of paying a rent/lease fee. We hope to use signage at the entrance per Lease Contract Agreement.

The property at the address of 23210 Paradise Valley Road Woodinville WA fits the bill to become a headquarter property for Farmer Frog and to serve as a NW Center for Excellence.



Farmer Ben with Kevin and one of the goats Paradise Farm 2015 May



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The farmer Frog team taking a lunch break at Paradise Farm 2015 May



Cutting the blackberries Paradise Farm 2015 June



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The first hoop house frame going up at Paradise Farm 2015 July



Finishing the first hoop house at Paradise Farm 2016 February