Kearsarge Regional Food System Presentation

Colby-Sawyer College Environmental Studies Community-Based Research Project
Kearsarge Area Eat Local (KAEL)

- Based in Warner, NH
- Promote concept of eating local
- Sponsor public events
  - Films
  - Speakers
  - Book discussions
Outline

• Objective: To identify, analyze, and make recommendations for our local food system
  – Identifying Farms
  – Identifying Food Outlets
  – Collecting Demographic Information
  – SWOT Analysis
  – Customer Perceptions Survey
  – Recommendations
  – Implementations
Identifying Local

• What is a farm?
  – USDA definition: “Any operation that sells at least one thousand dollars of agricultural commodities or that would have sold that amount of produce under normal circumstances”

• What is a local food system?
  – Network or relationship of collaboration between producers, consumers and intuitions
Resources

• Lectures
• Texts
  – The New Organic Grower
  – The Town That Food Saved
• Review of Academic Studies
• Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission
• Farm Visits
• Hardwick Visit
Hardwick, Vermont Visit

• Collaboration
  – Share equipment, resources, and knowledge
  – Center for an Agricultural Economy
  – Symbiotic relationship between farmers
Kearsarge Regional Food System
Kearsarge Area Farms

- 3D Farm
- Amesbury Fruit
- Apple Farm
- Apple Ridge Farm
- Apple Rock
- Battles Farm
- Beaver Meadowbrook Farm
- Beech Hill Farm
- Bible Hill Farm
- Black Bear Vineyard
- Blue Moon Berry Farm
- Bokaja Enterprises
- Breakwind Farm
- Cascade Brook Farm
- Contoocook Creamery at Bohanan Farm
- Courser Farm
- Crimson Maple Farm
- Cutting Farm
- Dancin' Apple Farm
- Fairhaven Farm
- Fall Dog Farm
- Freedom Hill Farm
- French Pond Orchard
- Gage Hill Sugar Shack
- Gould Hill Farm
- Haunting Whisper Vineyard
- Hazzard Acres Farm
- Henwyn Farm
- Highland Lake
- Highway View
- Hopewell Farm
- Huntoon Farm
- Kearsarge Gore Farm
- Marshall Farm
- Mountain Farm
- Musterfield Farm
- North Of Concord
- Odey Farm
- Owen Farm
- Peak Orchard
- Phoenix Hill Farm
- Pine Lane Dairy
- Porkside Farm
- Pustizzi Fruit Farm
- Ragged View Farm
- Random Hills Farm
- Richardson Farm
- Riverfare Farm
- Rollins Road Apiary
- Russell's Blueberries
- Siskagee Goat Dairy
- Springledge Farm
- Star Lake Farm
- Stoneridge Farm
- Stonynook Farm
- Tucker Mountain Maple Co-Op
- Two Mountain Farm
- Up Sheeps' Creek
- Valley View Maple Farm
- Vegetable Ranch
- Warner River Organics
- Webster Ridge Farm
- Work Song Farm
- Wychwood Farm
- Yankee Farmer's Market
Farmers’ Markets

- Warner Farmers’ Market
- Contoocook Farmers’ Market
- Henniker Farmers’ Market
- Market on the Green (New London)
- Andover Farmers’ Market
- Wilmot Farmers’ Market
- Newbury Farmers’ and Artisans’ Market
- Bradford Farmers’ Market
Farmers' Markets in the Kearsarge Area

Legend
- Farmers' Markets
- Kearsarge Area
- State Roads
- Interstates

Population Per Square Mile
- 13 - 50
- 51 - 100
- 101 - 250
- 251 - 500
- 501 - 750
Supermarkets

- Market Basket
  - Warner, NH
- Hannaford’s
  - New London, NH
Demographics

Population Distribution in Kearsarge Local Area

Source: 2009 Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau
Economic Indicators

Median Household Income Comparing the Kearsarge Area, New Hampshire and the United States

Source: 2009 Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau 2009 Census Bureau Data
Conclusion

• Inspired by local producers
  – Extensive knowledge and experience
• Vibrant food system with opportunities to improve
• This project will be located on Colby-Sawyer College’s Website, along with past years’ projects
Thank You