

Three Toolkit Service Options are available to fit your operational needs. We will connect you with the Toolkit that is right for you!

UTILITY STARTER KIT

A one-time option best suited for farms transitioning a small number of organic acres with limited complexity.

Subscription services provided over the duration of your transition:

VERSATILITY KIT

Designed for farms transitioning significant acres in with complex crop rotations and diverse use of inputs.

PREMIUM SUPPORT KIT

Customized services for growers who have a diverse operation and are ready to take it to the next level.

Full systems support including agronomy, marketing, insurance and guidance for cost share and grant programs.

Toolkit Service Members receive free attendance at trainings with other area organic and transitioning growers in our program.

Certified organic and in need of assistance with compliance issues? Contact us for individual pricing based on your needs.

LET US BE YOUR 'ORGANIC MECHANIC'

Our Transition Toolkit options present a customized solution to the challenges of transitioning cropland to certified organic production.

Management decisions made during organic transition can make or break the organic advantage.



Hi my name is Mae, and I am the Production Protocol Manager with Dakota's Best Seed and SecurCrop Organics.

My goal is to provide growers with relevant technical knowledge about organic systems.

I have experience in organic certification, feedlot compliance, ranch management and sustainable agriculture.

We look forward to working with you!

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ORGANIC TRANSITION TOOLKIT PROGRAM



Individualized services to support your farm through the organic transition period.



In partnership with



UTILITY STARTER KIT

One-Time Service

- **In-person consultation** with an organic certification specialist on your farm(s). Limited assistance with creating your OSP to prepare for the application process when your land is eligible for organic.
- **Custom resource kit.** Receive a comprehensive resource kit tailored to your needs and goals for self-study and consideration through your transition.
- **Inputs review.** Technical report of options for approved organic inputs suited for your operation.
- **Record Keeping & Certification Guidance** from an experienced organic inspector.
- **Assessment & Next Steps.** After our in-person visit, receive a "Next Steps" assessment detailing the gaps between your existing practices and organic compliance.
- **All Toolkits Include** subscription to quarterly newsletter applicable to the Upper Midwest organic research, issues and events.

\$500 One-Time Fee

Up to 8 Hours

(Travel Expenses Additional)



VERSATILITY KIT

Subscription Service

- **Organic System Plan and Application.** Selection of a certifier that meets your needs. When the time is right, assistance with submitting your application and certifier communication as needed.
- **Customized Record Keeping System Establishment.**
- **Training** for any farm employees responsible for managing organic land in record-keeping and Best Practices. Customized materials for self-study provided.
- **Input Selection Assistance.** Determining what types of inputs are approved for organic use and locating them. Insight and assistance selecting organic/ organic approved seed varieties.
- **Inspection Assistance.** Preparing for and attendance at your first organic inspection, if desired.

\$1000 Annual Fee

Up to 20 Hours Annually

(Travel Expenses Additional)



PREMIUM SUPPORT KIT

Subscription Service

All the services in the Versatility Kit in addition to:

- **Goalsetting for your farm.** Evaluating your resource base and what organic enterprises are the best fit.
- **Comprehensive Agronomy.** Service from a dedicated agronomist with experience in organic systems who can develop your fertility program.
- **Livestock Integration.** Developing a forage & grazing program (if applicable) to complement your crop rotation and fertility needs.
- **Grants and Cost Share Assistance.** Deciphering and preparing applications for grants and cost-share programs.
- **Financial Expertise.** Collaborative enterprise planning and budgeting for organic acres.
- **Insurance Answers.** Optional assistance with crop insurance and questions.
- **SecurCrop Organics Access.** Market insights and grain contract opportunities.

\$1500 Annual Fee-Estimated. Up to 30 Hours Annually

Quotes customized based on acres & complexity

(Travel Expenses Additional)

