



## TILTH PRODUCERS OF WASHINGTON

### Board of Trustees Self-Nomination Form

Nominations for open positions with the Tilth Producers of Washington Board of Trustees will begin September 18, 2014 and close on October 15, 2014. Nominations must be post-marked on or before the close date and received by Tilth Producers of Washington via postal mail to 4649 Sunnyside Avenue North, #305, Seattle, WA 98103, or by email to [board@tilthproducers.org](mailto:board@tilthproducers.org).

Ballots will be mailed to members in good standing prior to October 17, 2014 and must be returned to the Tilth Producers office no later than 5:00pm November 5, 2014, or submitted in person to Tilth Producers at the Hilton Vancouver Washington between November 6, 2014 and November 9, 2014. Results will be announced at the Annual Meeting on November 9, 2014 in Vancouver, WA.

Tilth Producers of Washington's Board of Trustees consists of no fewer than 9 and no more than 15 members. A majority of the board shall be comprised of producers representing a geographic and crop diversity of the state. Trustees are elected by the active membership of the organization at the annual meeting each November. Successful candidates immediately began a two (2) year term.

There are eleven (11) board positions open for nomination: six (6) are producer positions and five (5) are non-producer positions. To be eligible to serve as a Trustee you must be a member in good standing with Tilth Producers of Washington. Nominees must complete a Board Candidate Statement as part of this Self-Nomination Form (see reverse).

I, \_\_\_\_\_, nominate myself for a  
(Print Name)

position on the Tilth Producers of Washington Board of Trustees. If elected, I agree to meet the eligibility requirements for serving as a Trustee.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held: \_\_\_\_\_



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### Board of Trustees Candidate Statement

Thank you for your interest in the Tilth Producers of Washington Board of Trustees. Please complete the Self-Nomination Form, review this information, and complete the Candidate Statement questions below.

Our mission:

*Tilth Producers of Washington promotes ecologically sound, economically viable, and socially equitable farming practices that improve the health of our communities and natural environment.*

From our bylaws:

*The Board of Trustees shall be vested with the management of this organization. Board members shall:*

- *Review, amend and set policies and goals*
- *Keep the bylaws current and amend when necessary*
- *Create and maintain Board committees*
- *Employ Executive Director.*
- *Attend all Board meetings*
- *Actively participate on at least one committee*
- *Actively recruit board candidates for open seats*
- *Approve and oversee the budget and monitor financial adherence to the budget*
- *Raise funds for the organization*

Board member expectations:

- *Commit 8 to 16 hours per month to Board service*
- *Attend the annual board retreat and annual conference*

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*Please write a candidate statement for the Tilth Producers of Washington Board of Trustees that addresses the following questions and provides other relevant information. Please limit your total response to no more than 400 words. Candidate Statements will be shared with the organization's voting membership.*

Candidate questions:

- *What interests you most about serving on the Board of Trustees?*
- *How does your current work and/or interests relate to the mission of Tilth Producers?*
- *What aspects of your background and/or past experiences relate to the mission of Tilth Producers?*
- *Do you have any current or past board experience? If so, with what organization(s) and in what capacity?*
- *What is your past or current experience with Tilth Producers, direct or indirect?*
- *What skills and talents will you contribute to the Board of Trustees?*
- *What has been your experience with fundraising and/or fiscal management?*
- *What do you hope to accomplish and/or learn by serving on the Board of Trustees?*

Thank you for your nomination!