**The Weston A. Price Foundation Local Chapter**

**FARM VISIT CHECKLIST**

When visiting a farm that you plan to include on your resource list, the following checklist may be helpful. Remember that your role as chapter leader is not to make judgements about the farm or to ‘drill’ the farmer but to be as factual as possible. You can answer the points in a variety of ways: read their website and other materials, observe, ask people who know the farm and ask the farmer.

Farms that practice confinement agriculture, or that use toxic pesticides and herbicides should not be included on your list.

**FARM CONTACT INFORMATION** Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of farm: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Farmer’s/Farm Family name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Street address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. Website address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF FARM and FARM PRACTICES**
1. Is the farm Certified Organic (can still be listed if not)? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
2. If the farm is not Certified Organic, does it use organic production methods? \_\_ yes \_\_ no

3. Is the farm certified biodynamic or does it use biodynamic methods? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
4. Does the farm use biological (soil biology building) farming practices? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no
5. Does the farm use the services of a biological soil consultant? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
6. Does the farm apply compost or compost tea? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
7. Does the farm apply other soil amendments? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
8. Does the farm apply a balanced mineralized fertilizer? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
9. Does the farm use synthetic fertilizers that are detrimental to soil biology? \_\_\_yes \_\_no

10. Does the farm use any of the following: nonorganic pesticides, herbicides, parasiticides, or fungicides? Yes – circle the ones used. \_\_\_\_ no
11. Does the farm use any GMO seeds (such as Triple Stack, Smart Stack, Roundup Ready or BT modified seeds)? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

**ANIMAL HUSBANDRY**

1. Does the farm keep livestock? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

2. Which animals does the farm raise?
• Chickens (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Ducks (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Turkeys (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Other Poultry (list type and breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Cows (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Goats (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Pigs (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Sheep (list breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• Other animals (list types and breeds): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Does the farm use synthetic antibiotics? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
4. Are the animals pasture-fed? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
5. If pasture-fed, how much and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Does the farm practice managed grazing? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
7. Does the farm use supplemental feed? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
8. If used, is the supplemental feed: \_\_\_ organic \_\_\_ Non GMO \_\_\_GMO \_\_ soy-free \_\_\_ has soy
9. List types of feed:
• For poultry (list type): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• For cows, sheep, and/or goats (list type): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
• For pigs (list type): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

RAW MILK AND RAW CHEESE
1. If the farm supplies raw milk or raw cheese, do they follow good sanitary procedures?\_\_yes\_\_no
2. Does the farm test the milk to assure the level of cleanliness? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
3. Are teats maintained with proper teat dips pre and post milking? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
4. Is milking equipment sanitized before each milking? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no
5. Is milking equipment thoroughly washed after every milking with proper water temperature and dairy cleaners? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
6. Does the farm utilize individual cow cultures to manage mastitis and bulk tank culture to iden-
tify on farm mastitis pressures? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
7. Are the cows tested for Johne’s and Staph Aureus? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
8. Is the milk routinely tested for
• Pathogens \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
• Coliform count \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
• MUN (Milk Urea Nitrogen) \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
• Milk quality (Somatic Cell Count [SCC], Fat, Protein \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no
• Milk equipment cleaning practices (Standard Place Count [SPC], Preliminary
Incubation Counts[PIC]) \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

9. Is the farm water tested yearly for livestock suitability and coliform presence? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

Comments: