31 October 2012

2:00pm to evening – Arrival to Geneva, check in to hotel, etc.
7:00pm – Van departs hotel for dinner at Billsboro Winery

1 November 2012, Jordan Hall, NYSAES, Geneva, NY

7:45 to 8:15am – Coffee and introductions
Greg Loeb & Laura McDermott

Morning Session – Greg Loeb, Facilitator

8:30am – Northeast Field Updates (45 min)
NJ – Dean Polk, Rutgers Univ.
PA – Neelendra Joshi, Penn State Univ.
MA – Sonia Schloemann, Univ of Massachusetts
CT – Richard Cowles, Connecticut Ag. Expt. Station
RI – Heather Faubert, Univ. of Rhode Island
NY – Julie Carroll, Cornell Univ.
ME – Dave Handley, Univ. of Maine
VT – Ann Haz尔rigg, Univ. of Vermont
NH – George Hamilton, Univ. of New Hampshire
Ontario – Pam Fisher, OMAFRA
Nova Scotia – Debra Moreau, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Quebec – Liette Lambert, Quebec Ministry of Agriculture

9:15am – Southeast Research Update (WebEx) (30 min)
Hannah Burrack, NC State Univ.

9:45am – Northeast Research Updates (1 hr)
Cesar Rodriguez-Saona, Rutgers Univ.
Richard Cowles, Conn. Ag. Expt. Station
Greg Loeb, Cornell Univ.

10:45am – Grower Experiences, what worked and what didn't in 2012 (30 min)
Nate Nourse, Nourse Farms, MA
Dennis Doyle, Atlantic Blueberry Company, NJ
Discussion & input from growers and extension personnel

11:15am – Western Research Update (WebEx) (45 min)
Peter Shearer, Oregon State Univ.

12:00pm – Lunch, provided
**Afternoon Sessions – Julie Carroll, Facilitator**

1:00pm – *Economic Impact*  
Northeastern US Berry Grower Survey  
*Greg Loeb & Cathy Heidenreich*

1:30pm - *Discussion & input from growers, researchers & extension personnel*

2:00pm – *Identify and List Research, Extension and Education Priorities*  
*Cesar Rodriguez-Saona, Dean Polk & Greg Loeb*

2:45pm – *Break*

3:10pm - *Rank the Research, Extension and Education Priorities*  
*Julie Carroll, Dean Polk & Laura McDermott*

3:50pm – *Moving Forward, Funding Support Discussion*  
*Cesar Rodriguez-Saona*

4:00pm – *Next Steps for Working Group*  
*Greg Loeb*

4:30pm – *Wrap up, Logistics, and Adjourn*  
*Laura McDermott*

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**Thank you for participating and safe travels home!**

Sincerely, your hosts

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