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Regenerative Agriculture Systems



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Why do you farm?



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What does it mean to be a “Practical Farmer” ?



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Practical farming has to be:

- economically viable
- environmentally sound



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Iowa loses 2 pounds of soil for each pound
of corn produced



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2 pounds



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Current Iowa corn and soybean
production does not qualify



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Midwest farmers have two tremendous opportunities:



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1. Replacing West Coast vegetable production

2. Addressing plant health challenges at the source, rather than band-aiding them



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West Coast production, the big picture:

California is a desert that has already happened

People will be relocating east

Food production will be moving



California is losing its historical competitive advantages:

- Readily available labor
- Plentiful irrigation water



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**Before 1940 Iowa was 6th in apple
production**



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In 1949 Iowa had 12,000 acres of potatoes



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**Forest City, Iowa was heart of the largest
flax production region in the world**



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4. PSM's - beetles

3. Lipids - air borne pathogens

2. Proteins - sucking and chewing insects

1. Carbohydrates - soil borne pathogens

Farming is a profession of generalists

Research is a profession of specialists



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**There is a large disconnect between research
and practical application**

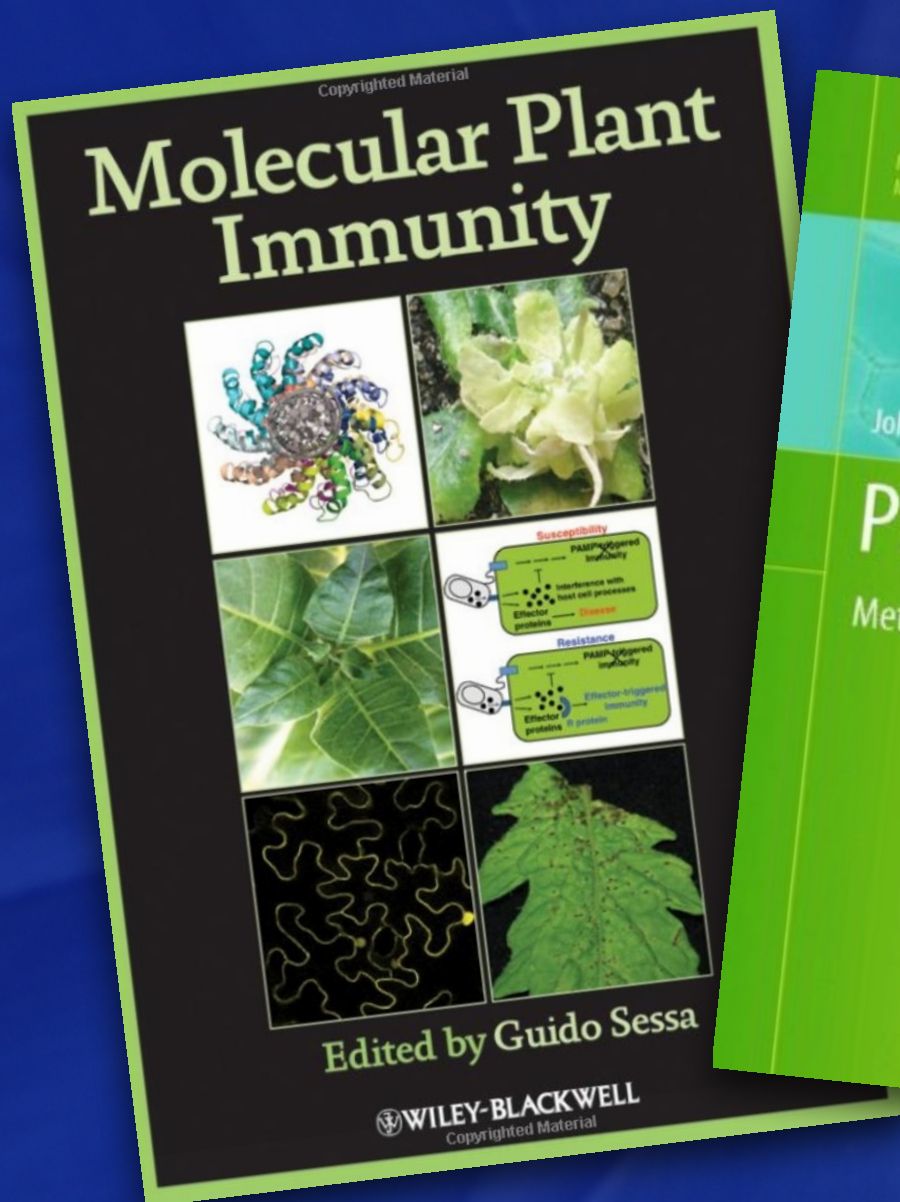


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MINERAL NUTRITION AND PLANT DISEASE



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Bio-Technology



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Genetics



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Epi-Genetics



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Environment determines genetic expression



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Environment is climate mediated by nutrition



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**Nutrition is the foundation of yield, quality, and
plant immunity**



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Results of regenerative farming systems



Regenerate soils while growing a crop



Food as Medicine





Nutrition

Balanced for Health

not ONLY Yield



Principles perform consistently

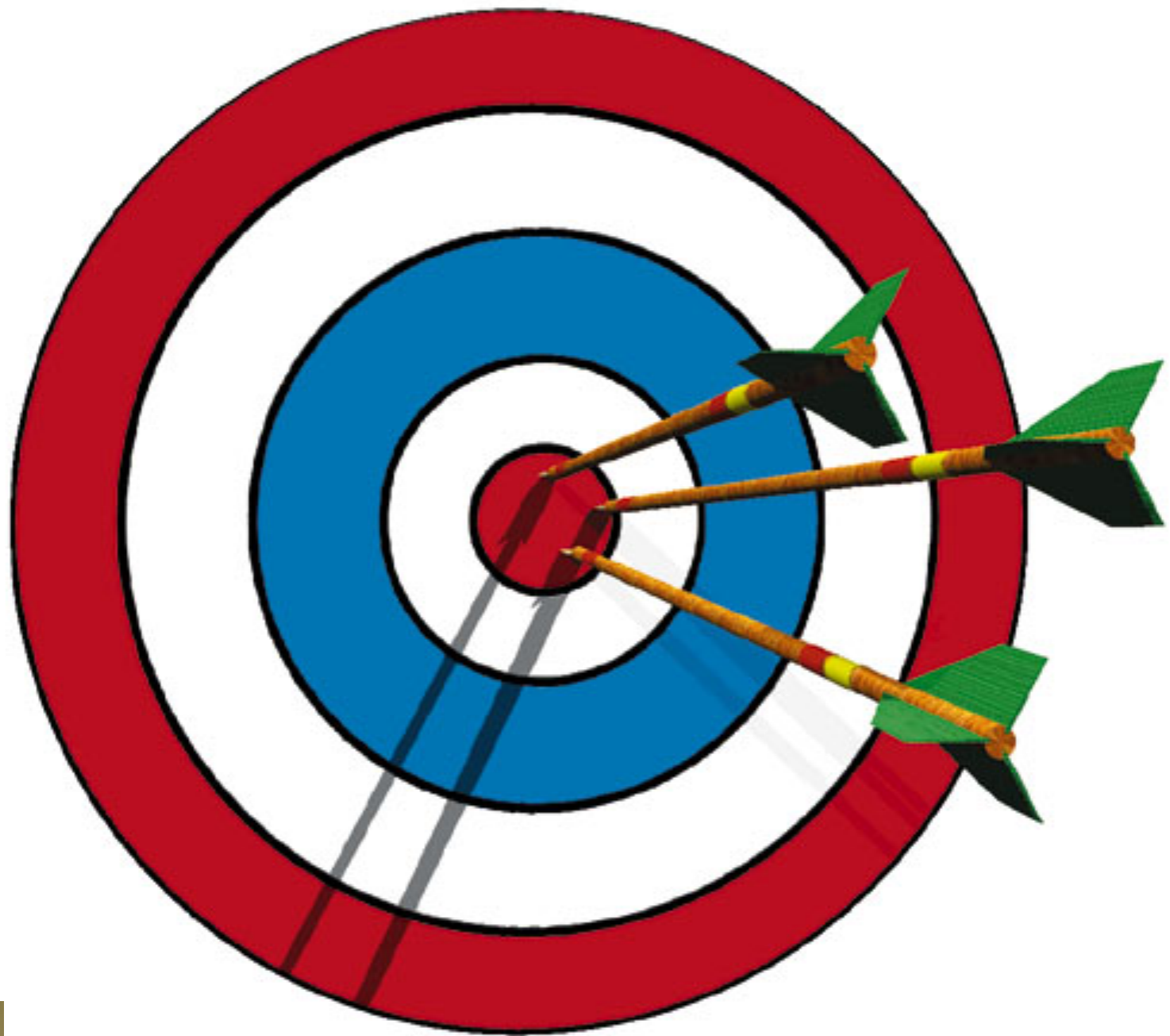




Sustainability is not enough



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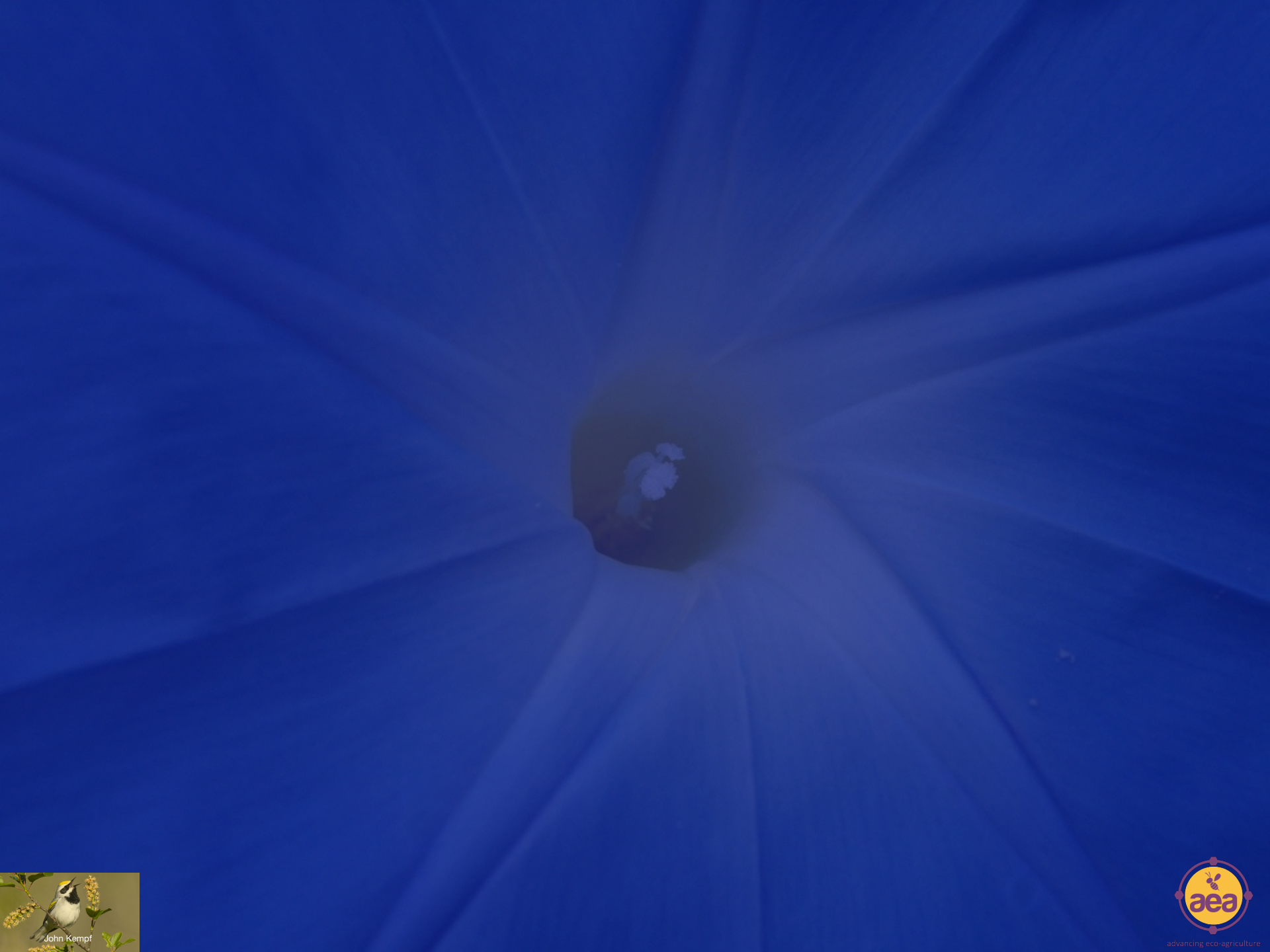
We have the knowledge



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The challenge?

Where we look for answers.....



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Managing Priorities, the key to farming success



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Are you really growing food?



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The information is there, what will you do with it?



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