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Project Lead

Wisconsin Kernza® Supply-chain Hub

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Phone/email consultations:

- Initial inquiry/orientation into *Wisconsin Kernza® Supply-chain Hub*
- Coordinating resources for new and existing WI Kernza® growers, small-grain processors, and end-users
- Addressing supply-chain bottlenecks to scale WI Kernza® supply chain development
- WI Kernza® marketing/sales outreach
- Policy advocacy

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Research Director
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Phone/email consultations:

- Kernza® field establishment
- Weed and fertility management
- Grazing management
- Harvest and Post-harvest handling

****In-field consultations:***

- Assessment of establishment and stand health, remediation to improve stand health
- Fertility and weed management
- Post-harvest handling and processing

**by appointment only*

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Outreach Coordinator
UW-Extension Emerging Crops Program



Phone/email consultations:

- Outreach materials
- Fielding initial inquiries from growers & landowners
- Basic agronomic technical assistance
- Connecting growers to other specialists/experts
- Market opportunities and considerations

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Tera Johnson

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Wisconsin Kernza® Supply-chain Hub

Innovative Finance Expert

Founder, Food Finance Institute



By appointment only:

- Financial consultation
- Business development
- Entrepreneurial support
- Brand development
- Marketing

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Dr. Valentin Picasso-Risso

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Kernza® Forage Expert

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- Forage quality and feed applications
- Intercropping/diverse mixtures
- Ecosystem services monitoring & quantification

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Erica Schoenberger

UW-Madison, PhD Candidate



- Inquiries into participating in on-farm research
- Field establishment
- Fertility management

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David Stennes

Regional Collaborator

Founder / CEO

Arcola Farms Group



Phone/email consultations:

- Registered Kernza® seed dealer
- Grain buyer & distributor
- Building collaboration across regional network and developing partnerships, including new/existing growers & product manufacturers
- Grower Sales Contracts
- Grain Marketing/Sales
- Kernza® policy advocacy

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