



Canadian Organic Growers
Cultivons Biologique Canada

Farming for the Future



Canadian Organic Growers

- **A national registered, educational charity** - Proudly serving producers, gardeners and consumers since 1975
- **Hybrid Extension Services** incl. on/off farm training; research; books/guides; courses and many other resources
- **BMPs** - Promoting best organic/regenerative management practices
- **Pan-Canadian Collaboration & Advocacy**- Driving better policies and protecting the sector in collaboration with our partners and affiliated organizations





Our Mission

COG provides **education, advocacy and leadership** to help build an agricultural system that:

- Empowers farmers and consumers,
- Enhances human health, builds community; and
- Mitigates climate change while increasing Canadian food sovereignty.

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COG's Leadership

COG's Board of Directors is comprised of primarily organic and regenerative farmers. The Board's Executive includes:



Dr. Allison Squires
President
Organic Farmer



Gillian Flies
Ex-Officio President
Organic Farmer



Corine Singfield
Vice-President
Organic Farmer



Janine Gibson
Secretary
Organic Verification Officer



Madelaine Clerk
Treasurer
Organic Farmer



Why All The Buzz Around Organic Agriculture?

What is organic?

How regenerative practices build the foundation for strong food ecosystems

- Internationally recognized model of food production
- Guided by 4 principles
- Standards adherence - strict production requirements
- Annual third-party audit
- Farmers as innovators
- Model for ecological and economic resilience



Why does it matter?

How regenerative practices build the foundation for strong food ecosystems

- Systems-focused versus input-focused
- Impacting:
 - Soil health
 - Climate change
 - Biodiversity
 - Ecosystem health
 - Farm and community resiliency
 - Food security
 - Human health
 - Farm profitability



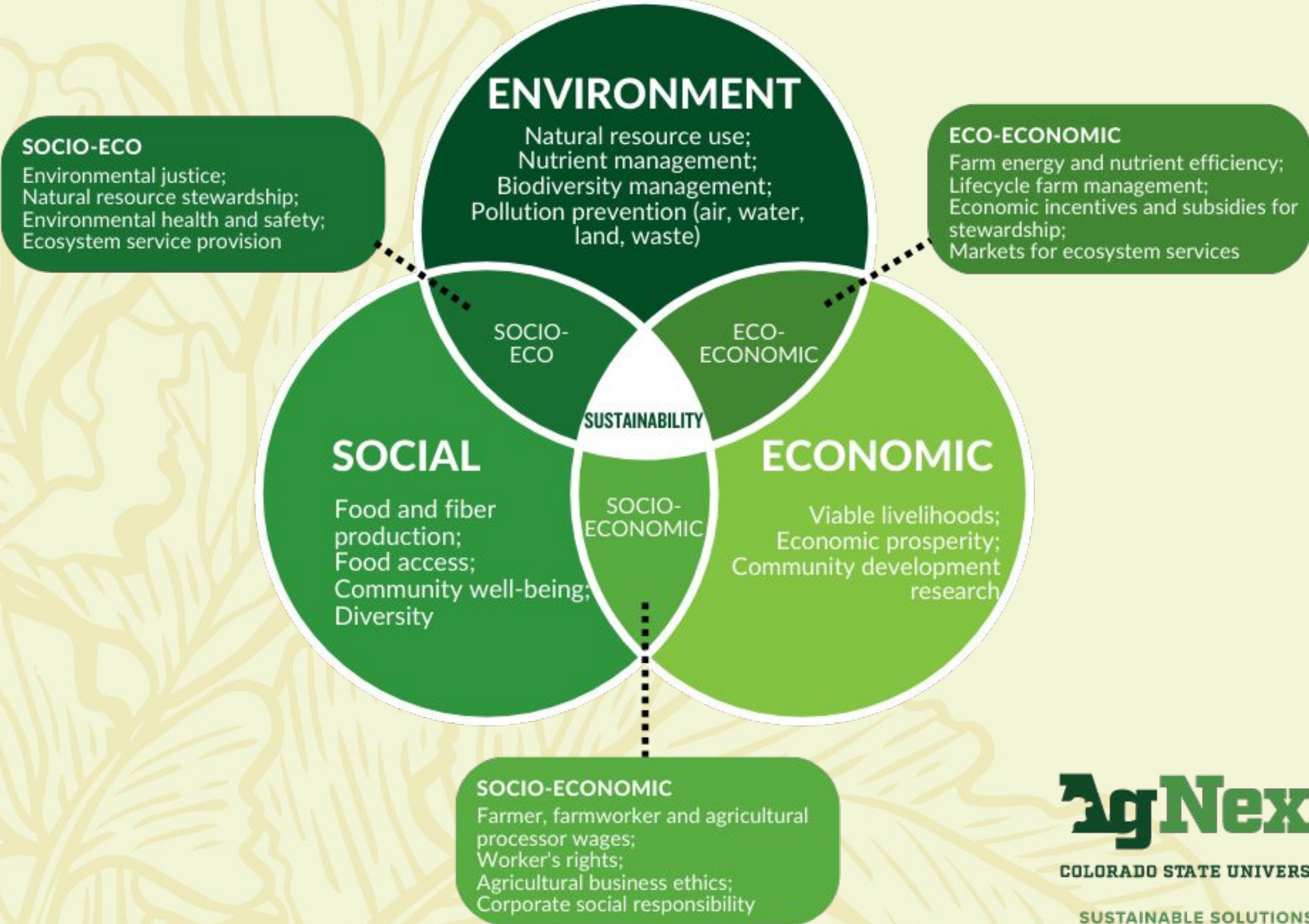
Food System Impact

How regenerative practices build the foundation for strong food ecosystems

- Food systems that are inclusive of organic production tend to achieve higher sustainability outcomes:
 - Ecosystem services
 - Food accessibility
 - System diversity
 - Farm profitability & succession

THREE PILLARS OF SUSTAINABILITY

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