Developing Multi-use Naked Barley for Organic Farming Systems

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Web: eorganic.info/barley and barleyworld.org/orei-project Instagram and Facebook: @multibarley NAKED BARLEY: Our goal - let's make it an economically rewarding and sustainable alternative organic crop.

WE NEED NAKED BARLEY so we can break the mold and have single barley varieties serve multiple functions: brewing, feed, and nutritious, tasty, fiber-rich food.

NAKED BARLEYS transcend the limitations of covered barleys and don't hide their true colors.

KEY RESOURCES Oregon NAKED BARLEY Blend – a fun and educational blend of 753 pure lines

The diversity panel: 400 genetically diverse **NAKED BARLEYS** for improving barley in organic systems.

Multi-region agronomic and yield trials

On-farm production for large-scale evaluations of farm to finished product performance

ASSESSMENTS Agronomic, food, feed, and malting and brewing performance under organic conditions.

All scales: from garden plots to on-farm trials, from home kitchens to professional food manufacturers.

Measuring the economic, environmental, and health benefits of organic **NAKED BARLEY** production and products. OUTREACH Workshops on best management practices, benefits, and processing procedures. For students, gardeners, growers, processors, and consumers.

PARTICIPATING REGIONS: Pacific Northwest (OR, WA), Upper Midwest (MN, WI) and North East (NY). ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATION ENCOURAGED.