

Experts on Tap

Andrea Gunner, P.Ag. is both an agricultural economist and an organic farmer. She has been involved in a number of projects connecting agricultural producers with consumers in sustainable and economically viable systems for many years.

As an agricultural economist with a horticultural background, she has worked in farm business management at both primary and value-added processing levels for farm and food processing clients, producer co-operatives, farmers markets, first nations, industry associations and government at many levels. She has worked in sectors as diverse as ginseng, landscape nursery, nutraceuticals and organic grain cleaning and processing.

She and her husband run a certified organic pastured poultry operation raising roasting chickens and turkeys on a small acreage in the North Okanagan, building soil depth on glacial till through intensive rotational grazing, mentoring satellite farms and directly supplying over 700 households in the Thompson Okanagan. As well, Andrea is a managing partner in a provincially licensed poultry processing facility. Off the farm, she is an avid river paddler and enjoys competitive rallying on forest service roads throughout the BC Interior.