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Some of you know efforts are underway to restore integrity to organic certification in the hands of the USDA with a supplemental label. The Real Organic Project is grower-led and harkens back to original intentions that the word "organic" represent healthy soil, healthy food, sound ecology, happy animals, and yes, viable farming. This [LINK](#) features Steve Ela, a fruit grower out in Colorado, both in a written article and an eight minute video clip. Totally worth checking out.

Motivating growers to seek [healthier approaches](#) to growing fruit is very much what we are about with the Holistic Orchard Network. As Steve says, "I think we need to give people room to change gracefully and to learn and to be proud of what they're doing. This is really, really important. Even as organic growers we need to say, 'Yeah, maybe we're not as good as we could be, but that's the direction we want to go.' "

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This is an important moment--thanks for bringing this topic up!

The organic movement and label are the "ground level" of holistic methods. Let's support the integrity of organic farming and take it further.

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