SUMMARY - DPR Funded Soil Fumigant Alternative Projects 10.1.2014

Since 2012, DPR has funded approx. \$2.8 million in research grants and other projects to advance soil fumigant alternatives. The Nonfumigant Strawberry Working Group (2012-13) and Soil Health Symposium (2014) helped to identify promising research directions and data gaps that are being addressed by our grant and contract work (8 research grants, 2 research contracts, and 1 alliance grant).

Breakdown by crop (number of projects) All projects are 3-years in duration Primary fumigant alternative (Principle Investigator-year started)

• Strawberry (5)

- Soilless substrate (Legard-2012)
- Anaerobic Soil Disinfestation (ASD), Cover crop strawberry nursery (Epstein-2013)
- o ASD, Mustard seed meal, reduced fumigant rates (Legard-2014)
- ASD demonstration and adoption (Farm Fuel-2013)
- Steam (Fennimore-2014)

• Cole Crops - Broccoli, Brussel sprouts (1)

o ASD, mustard seed meal, cover crop, IPM (Shennan-2013)

• Almond/Stone fruit (2)

- o Spot fumigations, bioassays, IPM (Browne-2013)
- Different rootstocks, row v spot v non-fumigated (Doll-2014)

• Pistachio (1)

o Different rootstocks, fumigated v non-fumigated soil (Doll-2014)

• Pre-plant soil treatment (1)

Solarization (Stapleton-2014)

• Multiple-crops: Fumigant alternative meta-analysis (1)

Literature meta-analysis (Grieneisen-2013)