**Risk and Uncertainty Interview Questions for Growers**

**Background Information**

* What is your primary position on the farm?
* How many years have you been involved in raspberry production as a farm operator, farm manager, or other primary decision maker?
* What is the size of the farm you own/manage (in acres)?
* How many acres of raspberry did you grow in 2020?
* How many years have you grown raspberry using plastic agricultural mulch?
* How many acres of raspberry did you grow using PE mulch in 2020?
* How many acres of raspberry did you grow using biodegradable plastic mulch in 2020?

**Experience with Polyethylene (PE) Mulch**

* Where did you learn about PE mulch?
* What was your initial opinion about incorporating PE mulch into a raspberry cropping system?
* What factors influenced your decision to use or not use PE mulch in your raspberry production system?
* What crop production considerations did you think about before deciding whether or not to use PE mulch in your raspberry production system?
* What additional concerns did you have about using PE mulch in your raspberry production system?
* *For Growers with PE Mulch Experience*: How did your concerns about PE mulch change throughout the growing season?
* In your opinion, what are some potential advantages and disadvantages of using PE mulch in the long run?
* Do you think using PE mulch is risky? Why or why not?
* What questions do you still have about using PE mulch?
* What research information do you think is essential for PE mulch users moving forward?
* How do you think the uncertainty about **XYZ** impacts decisions to use or not use PE mulch in raspberry production systems?
  + *Question will be tailored to match context given interviewee in previous question.*

**Experience with Soil-Biodegradable Plastic Mulch**

* Where did you learn about soil-biodegradable plastic mulches (BDMs)?
* What was your initial opinion about incorporating BDMs into a raspberry production system?
* What factors influenced your decision to use or not use BDMs in your raspberry production system?
* What crop production considerations did you think about before deciding whether or not to use BDMs in your raspberry production system?
* What additional concerns did you have about using BDMs?
* For *Growers with BDM Experience*: How did your concerns about BDMs change throughout the growing season?
* In your opinion, what are some potential advantages and disadvantages of using BDMs in the long run?
* Do you think using BDMs is risky? Why or why not?
* What questions do you still have about using BDMs?
* What research information do you think is essential for BDM users moving forward?
* How do you think the uncertainty about **XYZ** impacts decisions to use or not use BDMs in raspberry production systems?
  + *Question will be tailored to match context given interviewee in previous question.*

**Final Question**

* Do you know anyone else that I could speak to who has experience using PE mulch and/or BDMs in a raspberry production system?

**Risk and Uncertainty Interview Questions for Non-Growers**

**Background Information**

* What is your primary position on the farm, institution, or business establishment?

**Experience with Polyethylene (PE) Mulch**

* Where did you learn about PE mulch?
* What was your initial opinion about incorporating PE mulch into a raspberry production system?
* What factors do you think influence growers' decisions to use or not use PE mulch in their raspberry production system?
* What crop production considerations do you think growers think about before deciding whether or not to use PE mulch in their raspberry production system?
* What additional concerns do you think growers have about using PE mulch in their raspberry production system?
* In your opinion, what are some potential advantages and disadvantages of using PE mulch in the long run?
* Do you think using PE mulch is risky? Why or why not?
* What questions do you still have about using PE mulch?
* What research information do you think is essential for PE mulch users moving forward?
* How do you think the uncertainty about **XYZ** impacts growers’ decisions to use or not use PE mulch in raspberry production systems?
  + *Question will be tailored to match context given interviewee in previous question*

**Experience with Soil-Biodegradable Plastic Mulch**

* Where did you learn about soil-biodegradable plastic mulches (BDMs)?
* What was your initial opinion about incorporating BDMs into a raspberry production system?
* What factors do you think influence growers' decisions to use or not use BDMs in their raspberry production system?
* What crop production considerations do you think growers think about before deciding whether or not to use BDMs in their raspberry production system?
* What additional concerns do you think growers have about using BDMs in their raspberry production system?
* In your opinion, what are some potential advantages and disadvantages of using BDMs in the long run?
* Do you think using BDMs are risky? Why or why not?
* What questions do you still have about using BDMs?
* What research information do you think is essential for BDM users moving forward?
* How do you think the uncertainty about **XYZ** impacts growers’ decisions to use or not use BDMs in raspberry production systems?
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**Final Question**

* Do you know anyone else that I could speak to who has experience using PE mulch and/or BDMs in a raspberry production system?