

First, we've organized our systems under garden, shop, and tools & equipment. In the garden, we prepare our growing (beds) and navigation (walking lanes) systems for winter by weeding the beds and putting them under a compost blanket of leaves and straw. We put the lanes under a layer of cardboard to suppress weeds and keep them clear until spring.

In the shop, we prep our seed starting system, which we'll deploy in late winter, by making sure the lights and timers are all working and that our temperature control system is working. We clean and organize our produce storage system and our workspaces in the shop. For tools & equipment, we clean and sharpen the hand tools and clean, repair, and tune up our small engine equipment along with our farm truck and produce cooler.

As our operation slips into hibernation for the winter, we begin the process of planning for the next season. Early seed starting begins in late winter, while potatoes will go in the ground in early spring. In what feels like no time at all, the season repeats itself and the wonder of gardening begins anew.