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Comments: On Farm mentoring is a good idea. This program should be thought of as a pilot program since only one grant of \$50,000 would be given per island. Staff would be needed to over see the program and identified farmers with the practices mentioned (75% local inputs or certified Korean Natural Farming) would need to receive Honorariums for their mentoring services. An application program would need to be developed since this would be a small pilot, and each farm could not take too many students at one time. There are things to be worked out, but the concept is a good one. But it needs to be looked at like an experimental pilot Farm Mentor Program.

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