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**Chimney Rock Farms Launches Colorado Hemp Farmers Network to Develop Craft Genetics and Teach Best Practices for Propagation and Processing Techniques**  
*Colorado Farmers Unite to Create the Nation's First Craft Nutraceutical Hemp Market*

Bayfield, Colorado; March 27, 2017 – Chimney Rock Farms (<http://chimneyrockhemp.com>) a leader in innovative sustainable farming techniques for growing industrial hemp, has organized the **Chimney Rock Hemp Farmers Network** and the first Colorado CSA composed of Colorado industrial hemp farmers dedicated to supplying high quality craft hemp and hemp based oils to leading nutraceutical product manufacturers and consumers. Manufacturers will be able to purchase the Colorado grown craft hemp and hemp oils directly from the farmer network to produce tinctures, topicals and beverages.

In addition, the Hemp Farmers Network will partner with existing CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) fruit and vegetable farmers to create a new opportunity to provide “CBD shares” including cannabinoid-rich wellness products made from locally grown hemp delivered to people’s door along with their CSA share of local fresh fruits and vegetables.

“Chimney Rock is dedicated to supporting the hemp farmer,” said Chimney Rock Farms CEO and Founder Rich Becks. “We reached out and brought together farmers from throughout Colorado during the 2016 growing season who share a passion for growing premium quality hemp. We will provide training to these growers to create consistency in development of craft hemp genetics, propagation and processing techniques. Our goal is to establish registered craft hemp growers who command a following similar to the craft beer and wine industries,” added Becks.

Chimney Rock Farms will host a biannual **Industrial Hemp Master Growers Conference** to be held at their Bayfield farm on August 12<sup>th</sup> 2017. The conference will offer hands on experience and educational sessions on plant breeding, propagation harvesting, regulatory compliance and processing. Attendees will perform processes such as phenotype selection, cloning, planting, harvesting, drying and processing. At the Conference Becks will demonstrate the company’s proprietary Mobile Hemp Lab to allow participants to explore the challenges and opportunities behind plant potency testing, Quality Assurance lot control and hemp oil processing using the labs’ alcohol extraction equipment.

**About Chimney Rock Farms:** Chimney Rock Farms is a privately held cultivator and processor of high quality, full spectrum phytocannabinoid hemp registered in Colorado. All products grown by farmers supplying the Chimney Rock Network are tested both internally and independently by third party test labs for potency, purity, consistency and compliance. Chimney Rock Farms cultivation methods go well beyond traditional organic practices without chemically based herbicides, fungicides or pesticides. Chimney Rock Farms has pioneered no-till hemp cultivation to regenerate depleted agricultural farmland while rebuilding soil ecosystems. Chimney Rock Farms maintains full traceability and lot control of each batch to ensure consistency of all quality control measures. All hemp or hemp based oils are derived from 100% Federally legal industrial hemp that is registered with the Colorado State Department of Agriculture and conform fully to the 2014 U.S. Farm Bill section 7606.

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