National Organic Program
Stakeholder Map

USDA
Establishes and enforces organic standards
Accredits certifiers
Supports candidate, transitioning, and current organic producers

Certifiers
Third party organizations that certify organic operations and enforce the regulations

Certified Organic Operations
Farmers and Ranchers
(Produce Crops, Wild Crops, and Livestock)

Processors and Handlers
(Process and handle organic products)

Retailers and Consumers

National Organic Standards Board
(Advises USDA)

Groups provide feedback to USDA and NOSB

USDA responds to certifier, operator, and consumer questions and needs