

## 4-14-06 Newsletter

Hi everybody,

I'm taking a cue from Ben at Simpatica this week, in that the newsletter this week is going to be short and sweet. So let's get straight to the dirt.

Actually, I should have said straight to the mud. Unless you have been living in a dry, secluded cave, you have heard of the amazing rains and cold weather in California. It has rained every day in April (and this following the 4th wettest winter on record) in the central valley growing region. Because of this, it is going to be rough going for a few weeks. I saw some pictures yesterday of the Strawberry fields in Watsonville. Strawberries were floating in about three feet of muddy water. It was depressing. Every other crop grown in this area (that is to say nearly everything available right now) will be effected. Leaf Lettuces, Melons, early tree fruits, citrus, herbs and bunched greens will be especially hit hard (in fact, as of this morning Organic Lettuce was simply unavailable).