

Top Hits

Questionable Businesses:

According to her campaign website, "all of Dr. Taber's clients are still in operation, including those who began with little or no experience in agriculture." "Alongside her work with family farms, Dr. Taber helped launch a series of vegetable greenhouses and indoor farms that are now worth over \$4 billion. This experience taught her how to bring new people and perspectives into agriculture. Failure is common in the highly competitive greenhouse sector- but all of Dr. Taber's clients are still in operation, including those who began with little or no experience in agriculture. All too often, our leaders treat the loss of farms and farmers as inevitable. But it's not! Dr. Taber is an agricultural leader with a track record of growing new farm businesses and bringing new people into farming." ("About," [Sarah Taber for Commissioner of Agriculture](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

- **Taber claims she has helped launch "a series of vegetable greenhouses and indoor farms that are now worth over \$4 billion."** "Alongside her work with family farms, Dr. Taber helped launch a series of vegetable greenhouses and indoor farms that are now worth over \$4 billion. This experience taught her how to bring new people and perspectives into agriculture. Failure is common in the highly competitive greenhouse sector- but all of Dr. Taber's clients are still in operation, including those who began with little or no experience in agriculture. All too often, our leaders treat the loss of farms and farmers as inevitable. But it's not! Dr. Taber is an agricultural leader with a track record of growing new farm businesses and bringing new people into farming." ("About," [Sarah Taber for Commissioner of Agriculture](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

Blue Revolution / Owl Springs Farm

According to their Gust profile, Blue Revolution, founded in November 2012 and listed as "Concept Only," "adapts aquaponic technology (filtering fish farm water with hydroponic vegetables) to commercial scale." "Blue Revolution adapts aquaponic technology (filtering fish farm water with hydroponic vegetables) to commercial scale. This technology is already widely used on a small scale and allows up to 95% recycling of water. Customers are aquaculture producers (\$100 billion/year and growing fast) and greenhouse vegetable growers (\$75 billion/year, also growing fast). BR's demo project will be organic caviar and vegetables for premium consumer markets." ("Blue Revolution, [Gust.com](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

Blue Revolution

“We develop commercial-scale aquaponics. This disruptive technology can increase profitability in a combined \$175 billion/year industry.”

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Stage | Concept Only |
| Industry | Clean Technology |
| Location | Gainesville, FL, USA |
| Currency | USD |
| Founded | November 2012 |
| Employees | 0 |
| Website | owlspringsfarm.wordpress.com |

(“Blue Revolution, Gust.com, Accessed 7/26/24)

“Sarah Kendall Taber” is listed as the founder. (“Blue Revolution, Gust.com, Accessed 7/26/24)



Sarah Kendall Taber
Founder

Sarah Taber is lead over system design, regulatory affairs, and community & investor relations. Her 11 years in whole-systems sustainable tropical agriculture include:

2006-07: Consultant on soil fertility, insect pests, food safety, and labor issues for Tahitian Noni Int'l.

2009-11: Led study on silicon as an organic fungicide on cucumber.

2012-pres: Postdoc in UF Vaccinium breeding lab. Assist program with specialized husbandry skills

(“Blue Revolution, Gust.com, Accessed 7/26/24)

According to the Florida Division of Corporations, “Blue Revolution, LLC” was voluntarily dissolved on August 9, 2013. (“Blue Revolution, LLC,” Florida Division of Corporations, Accessed 7/26/24)

Detail by Entity Name

Florida Limited Liability Company
BLUE REVOLUTION, LLC

Filing Information

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Document Number | L12000142893 |
| FEI/EIN Number | 46-2032947 |
| Date Filed | 11/13/2012 |
| Effective Date | 11/12/2012 |
| State | FL |
| Status | INACTIVE |
| Last Event | VOLUNTARY DISSOLUTION |
| Event Date Filed | 08/09/2013 |
| Event Effective Date | NONE |

("Blude Revolution, LLC," [Florida Division of Corporations](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

The Gust profile for Blue Revolution lists "owlspringsfarm.wordpress.com" as a website. ("Blue Revolution, [Gust.com](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

According to the website for Owl Springs Farms, the company "originally set out to be a aquaponic sturgeon farm" but, as noted, Taber "quickly discovered that we don't actually have all the information yet to run one of these systems successfully." "OSF was originally set out to be an aquaponic sturgeon farm. However, I quickly discovered that we don't actually have all the information yet to run one of these systems successfully. The good news is that I'm a plant scientist*, so that just means that now I work on research instead of farming. This is now a science blog about aquaponics and sturgeon." ("About," [Owl Springs Farm](#), Accessed 7/26/24)

Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville LLC (Possible Conflict Of Interest With Her Advocacy For The Growth Of The State Hemp Industry)

According to the North Carolina Secretary of State, Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC has Sarah Taber as its Registered Agent and has a "Current-Active" status. ("Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC," [North Carolina Secretary of State](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

Limited Liability Company

Legal Name

Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC

Information

SosId: 1858437

Status: Current-Active ⓘ

Date Formed: 6/20/2019

Citizenship: Domestic

Annual Report Due Date: April 15th

Annual Report Status: Current

Registered Agent: [Taber, Sarah](#)

("Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC," [North Carolina Secretary of State](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

- **The Registered Office, Registered Mailing, Mailing and Principle Office listed for Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC is 220 Myrover Street, Fayetteville, NC 28305.** ("Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC," [North Carolina Secretary of State](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

Addresses

Reg Office

220 Myrover St
Fayetteville, NC 28305

Reg Mailing

220 Myrover St
Fayetteville, NC 28305

Mailing

220 Myrover Street
Fayetteville, NC 28305

Principal Office

220 Myrover Street
Fayetteville, NC 28305

("Cape Fear Hemp of Fayetteville, LLC," [North Carolina Secretary of State](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

According to property records from Cumberland County, North Carolina, 220 Myrover Street, Fayetteville, NC 28305 is owned by Sarah Kendall and Robert Taber.

("Property Summary," [Cumberland County, North Carolina Tax Administration](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

REID 0437142387000

PIN # 0437-14-2387

Location Address
220 MYROVER ST

Property Description
IMP 220 MYROVER ST

Property Owner
TABER, SARAH KENDALL;TABER, ROBERT

Owner's Mailing Address
220 MYROVER ST
FAYETTEVILLE NC 28305

("Property Summary," [Cumberland County, North Carolina Tax Administration](#), Accessed 7/29/24)

Advocating For The Expansion Of The Hemp Industry In North Carolina

In a Fayetteville Observer opinion piece, Taber said North Carolina could “make billions growing high-value goods” like hemp for northeastern markets. “There are other ways our state can win big in agriculture. We could make billions growing high-value goods like hazelnuts, chestnuts, dairy, hemp and fruits and vegetables for northeastern markets.” (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Ag commissioner candidate from Fayetteville: Farmers are our strength; leaders are failing them,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 3/8/24)

- **“But we don’t. Why? We don’t have the infrastructure. We don’t have facilities to ship vegetables, make cheese, shell nuts or turn hemp into fiber and paper for a market that large.”** (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Ag commissioner candidate from Fayetteville: Farmers are our strength; leaders are failing them,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 3/8/24)
- **“As Commissioner of Agriculture, I’ll push for infrastructure so rural North Carolina can branch out and make better incomes. And I’m determined to see that opportunities in food and legal cannabis are open to everyone who’s up to the job.”** (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Ag commissioner candidate from Fayetteville: Farmers are our strength; leaders are failing them,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 3/8/24)

Raising Prices Through Farm Anti-Trust:

In a March 2024 Fayetteville Observer opinion piece, Taber said she pledges to “support antitrust action in the food and farm sector. “As Commissioner of Agriculture, I pledge to support antitrust action in the food and farm sector. We need a strong food system that runs on healthy competition- not soft, spoiled oligarchs who want to dictate their own prices.” (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Ag commissioner candidate from Fayetteville: Farmers are our strength; leaders are failing them,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 3/8/24)

According to Philip Watson from the University of Idaho, “The implications are that it would likely be counter productive to use antitrust law to break up big ag for the purposes of raising prices to protect small famers.” “In the new Applied Economics Perspectives & Policy article ‘Should we use antitrust policies on big agriculture?’ Jason Winfree and Philip Watson from the University of Idaho discuss some of the potential problems of using antitrust law to break up big agriculture. Watson says, ‘The implications are that it would likely be counter productive to use antitrust law to break up big ag for the purposes of raising prices to protect small famers.’” (“Should we use Antitrust Policies on Big Agriculture?,” [Agriculture and Applied Economics Association](#), Accessed 7/31/24)

- **“Antitrust policy is specifically designed to protect consumers from high prices that can sometimes result from market power. However, there is little evidence that big ag is resulting in higher prices and there is more evidence to the contrary that big ag is resulting in lower prices. For some, this is the problem; that food prices are too low and this is hurting small producers. However, there are better policy tools to assist small farmers than using**

antitrust to break up big ag for the purpose of raising prices.” (“Should we use Antitrust Policies on Big Agriculture?,” [Agriculture and Applied Economics Association](#), Accessed 7/31/24)

- **According to his page with the University of Idaho Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Philip Watson is a “natural resource and regional development economist whose research focuses on the role of natural resources in the economic health of communities and evidence based economic development planning.”** “Watson is a natural resource and regional development economist whose research focuses on the role of natural resources in the economic health of communities and evidence based economic development planning.” (“Philip Watson,” [University of Idaho Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology](#), Accessed 7/31/24)

Opposing the Atlantic Coast Pipeline:

In an April 2018 Fayetteville Observer opinion piece, Taber wrote in opposition to the Atlantic Coast Pipeline. “I’m an industrial growth strategist who has advised agriculture and manufacturing companies worth \$225 million. As an industrial strategist, I have serious concerns about the Atlantic Coast Pipeline.” (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Pipeline? No, renewables will do it better,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 4/17/18)

- **“There’s just one problem — unsubsidized solar and wind are already cheaper than natural gas. That’s even after adding utility-sized batteries for 24-hour coverage. In fact, in North Carolina, unsubsidized solar and wind have been cheaper than natural gas since at least 2015.”** (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Pipeline? No, renewables will do it better,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 4/17/18)
- **“We don’t need a bridge fuel. We’re already on the other side. Places like Colorado that use competitive open bid processes — which the ACP never had to pass — are replacing their old coal capacity with wind and solar, not natural gas. That’s because even after adding massive utility-scale batteries for 24-hour coverage, it’s still cheaper to build new wind and solar than to keep coal plants open. The ACP is an expensive boondoggle that North Carolinians will pay for — with our power bills and stunted economy.”** (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Pipeline? No, renewables will do it better,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 4/17/18)
- **“Agriculture, food processing, and timber facilities have to be close to their raw materials, such as in North Carolina, regardless of energy costs. Additionally, today’s paper mills power themselves almost entirely with tree waste. Cheap natural gas cannot attract new capacity in these sectors to North Carolina.”** (Sarah Taber, Opinion, “Pipeline? No, renewables will do it better,” [The Fayetteville Observer](#), 4/17/18)

Following the announcement, the North Carolina Farm Bureau issued a press release in which they said they were “deeply disappointed by the announcement that the Atlantic Coast Pipeline has been canceled, costing eastern North Carolina’s farmers and rural residents critical opportunities for the future.” “North Carolina Farm Bureau is

deeply disappointed by the announcement that the Atlantic Coast Pipeline has been canceled, costing eastern North Carolina's farmers and rural residents critical opportunities for the future." ("STATEMENT BY NC FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT SHAWN HARDING ON THE CANCELLATION OF THE ATLANTIC COAST PIPELINE," [North Carolina Farm Bureau](#), Accessed 7/31/24)

- **"North Carolina's farmers and rural communities are facing unprecedented financial challenges that threaten their very survival, and for many, this decision will be devastating. The pipeline would have offered farmers options to further diversify and/or lower production costs— options that could mean the difference between keeping or losing the farm."** ("STATEMENT BY NC FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT SHAWN HARDING ON THE CANCELLATION OF THE ATLANTIC COAST PIPELINE," [North Carolina Farm Bureau](#), Accessed 7/31/24)
- **"In losing the pipeline, farmers lose valuable access to affordable fuel when gas prices escalate. The availability of natural gas to underserved areas via the pipeline would have lowered farm energy costs at a time when many farmers are stretched to their financial limits. The pipeline would have delivered job opportunities to towns and counties facing catastrophic losses."** ("STATEMENT BY NC FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT SHAWN HARDING ON THE CANCELLATION OF THE ATLANTIC COAST PIPELINE," [North Carolina Farm Bureau](#), Accessed 7/31/24)
- **Despite this latest setback, North Carolina Farm Bureau remains committed to finding new and innovative opportunities to stabilize and rebuild the economies of our state. We look forward to working with Duke Energy to develop effective initiatives that will benefit and sustain rural North Carolina."** ("STATEMENT BY NC FARM BUREAU PRESIDENT SHAWN HARDING ON THE CANCELLATION OF THE ATLANTIC COAST PIPELINE," [North Carolina Farm Bureau](#), Accessed 7/31/24)

Extreme Attacks on Family Farms:

In a recently deleted tweet, Taber stated, "family farms are a very tidy way to make sure land stays in the hands of the colonizers". (Dr Sara Taber, X Post, Time Unknown)



In a recently deleted tweet, Taber stated, "99% of the batshit crazy bad farms I've ever seen in person were small/ med family farms". (Dr Sara Taber, Deleted X Post, 5/17/18)



In a since deleted tweet Taber states "Blaming agribusiness means we don't look at self-destructive behavior 'on' those family farms. Like throwing away their best people thanks to rampant racism & misogyny."



(Dr Sara Taber, Deleted X Post, Unknown)

Accusing Our Military of Racism:

In a deleted Tweet, Taber said that Southern Pines had become "an enclave for the most racist & bigoted people at Fort Bragg," which, in her words, "happens to include a disproportionate share of the people in elite commando units." "Nowadays, Southern Pines is still mostly a golf community. But it's also become an enclave for the most racist & bigoted people at Fort Bragg. And that happens to include a disproportionate share of the people in elite commando units." (Dr Sarah Taber, Deleted X Post, 12/4/22)



(Dr Sarah Taber, Deleted X Post, 12/4/22)

In a deleted Tweet, Taber said, "for the wealthier white people in the military who still insist on being bigoted fucks, integration made life really hard!" "For the wealthier white people in the military who still insist on being bigoted fucks, integration made life really hard! And that's why they keep moving to Southern Pines. It's their safe space away from Black people & gays, I mean enlisted soldiers." (Dr Sarah Taber, Deleted X Post, 12/4/22)



(Dr Sarah Taber, Deleted X Post, 12/4/22)

- **In the same deleted Tweet, Taber said “it’s their safe space away from Black people & gays, I mean enlisted soldiers.”** “For the wealthier white people in the military who still insist on being bigoted fucks, integration made life really hard! And that’s why they keep moving to Southern Pines. It’s their safe space away from Black people & gays, I mean enlisted soldiers.” (Dr Sarah Taber, Deleted X Post, 12/4/22)

Inappropriate Comments on Famers:

“A lot of farmers either misrepresent or they straight up lie to because they have businesses to run...that was kind of the shocking thing about working in agriculture is we have this mythos of farmers as like honest tillers of the earth and some of them are but they’re also normal people just like us which means a lot of them are assholes just like us” (Rebellion Brewing, Dr. Sarah explains ugly carrots and apples, [YouTube](#), 2/26/19, 00:12:33-00:13:02)