Heather is putting together a bulk order for **190 proof (95%) organic cane alcohol** from a distributor whose minimum order is 25 gallons, and I would love to coordinate this so that we have more high quality, organic herbal medicine being made in our community at a price that makes medicine accessible.

**Organic cane alcohol wins over Everclear and other vodkas for many reasons:**

1. **PURITY:** organic alcohol is free of the many chemicals used in conventional agriculture, which are present in high quantities in non-organic alcohols (contrary to what one might think, the distillation process does not remove pesticides and other toxic compounds found in conventionally raised corn, wheat, and potatoes used in Everclear and other alcohols).

2. **POTENCY:** using 95% organic alcohol opens a whole range of potential for medicine making: A) Making more potent medicines. Some herbs need to be tinctured fresh in 95% alcohol in order to create an extract with enough alcohol to efficiently extract and preserve the tincture (I’ve seen many folk method vodka tinctures spoil when fresh herbs are used). B) some medicines with high resin content such as pine pitch, boswellia, myrrh, and propolis simply will not extract in 80 proof alcohol - the resins are only soluble in high proof alcohol.

3. **PRICE:** a bulk order gets us low prices per gallon, much cheaper than Everclear, which is 60% water as opposed to 5% water for 95% organic cane alcohol. At $66/gallon for organic cane alcohol and $70-90/gallon for 40% Everclear, it’s a clear win. Stop paying for overpriced water - a gallon of 9% alcohol can make a lot of tincture.

4. **ALLERGEN/ INTOLERANCE/ SENSITIVITY/ CELIAC friendly:** people with sensitivities to corn, nightshades (potatoes), and wheat may react to tinctures made with vodka, which can be made from any or all of these. If you desire to make medicines that you can be sure will not cause immunogenic reactions, cane is a good neutral alcohol.

5. **SUSTAINABILITY:** annual crop tillage is leading to devastating topsoil losses, such that many soil scientists are asserting that topsoil loss is equal, if not a greater concern, than the climate crisis. While sugar cane production is not perfect, it is at the very least a perennial crop, which does not require tillage that results in soil loss.

**Information on the process and pricing of the bulk order:** The price per gallon will depend on if we get enough orders to go up to the next tier of pricing (50 gallons). For now, each gallon will cost $66. There is a price break if you buy 5 gallons ($315).

More info on pricing and logistics in the Facebook event: [https://www.facebook.com/events/751079118747529/permalink/752937558561685/](https://www.facebook.com/events/751079118747529/permalink/752937558561685/)

**And the order form is here:** [https://forms.gle/VGgdUVaev1mMyPB87](https://forms.gle/VGgdUVaev1mMyPB87)

Please share this bulk community order information with anyone who may be interested. The larger an order we can place, the more affordable this can be for each of us. We will place the order on **Feb. 3rd**, so please fill out the form with your order before then.

In gratitude to be part of such a vibrant community of earth tenders and plant lovers,

Heather Sage