



REGIONAL PLANNING FOR LOCAL FOOD ECONOMIES

Tuesday, May 2, 2017
1:00 – 3:30 P.M.
Walter A. Scheiber Board Room

AGENDA

- 1:00 P.M. 1. REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING**
- 1:25 P.M. 2. WELCOME**
Chuck Bean, Executive Director, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)
- 1:35 P.M. 3. WELCOMING REMARKS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA'S SECRETARIAT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY**
Megan Seibel, RN, PhD, Assistant Secretary
- 1:45 P.M. 4. INTRODUCTION TO THE REGIONAL FOOD SYSTEMS PROGRAM AT COG**
Brian LeCouteur, Agricultural Programs Manager, Department of Environmental Programs (DEP)
Lindsay Smith, Regional Food Systems Value Chain Coordinator, DEP
- Presentation on COG's Regional Food Systems Program including discussion.
- 2:10 P.M. 5. STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR AGRICULTURE: SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' (SACOG) RURAL-URBAN CONNECTIONS STRATEGY**
David Shabazian, Rural-Urban Connections (RUCS) Strategy Manager
- Presentation and discussion on SACOG's RUCS program, including how the food system unites the region from a land use and transportation perspective. Economic development potential and other benefits will also be highlighted.
- 3:00 P.M. 6. FACILITATED DISCUSSION**
Steve Walz, Director, DEP
- Are there lessons from the SACOG Program which could inform and inspire future work in the National Capital Region and in COG's Regional Food Systems program? Invited speakers will may also offer brief reflections.
- 3:25 P.M. 7. NEXT STEPS AND ADJOURN**
Steve Walz, Director, DEP

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