

# **Regional Food Aggregation And Distribution Summit**

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**Hosted by the DMV Food Council  
Collaborative & Regional Agriculture  
Work Group**

**May 16, 2024**

# Welcome!

Thank you for being here.

In-person participants, sit wherever you are most comfortable.

Online participants, thank you for your patience as we get started.

**THIS MEETING WILL BE RECORDED AND AI.READER IS BEING USED FOR NOTETAKING SUPPORT.**

Outside AI.readers may not be admitted.

# Reminders for Today's Meeting

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## *In-person participants*

- Please see COG staff if you need the WiFi password.
- If you join the virtual meeting, make sure your device's sound is muted.
- Table microphones should remain off until discussion.
- During discussion, please state your name first.

## *Virtual participants*

- Please mute your line when you aren't speaking and reduce background noise.
- Use the chat box feature to record observations or questions when not participating in a poll.
- The room will be muted during two agenda items to allow for online facilitation and discussion,

# ITEM 1

# Meeting Objectives

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- Strengthen relationships between Work Groups, FARM Policy Committee, and aggregation and distribution stakeholders.
- Develop shared understanding amongst stakeholders and decision-makers of the state of regional food aggregation and distribution systems, and of related, ongoing regional work.
- Inform future FARM Policy Committee work products, including the What Our Region Grows report.
- Identify the main barriers to progress and opportunities for collaboration on supply chain development and explore potential next steps.

# ITEM 2



