



Planning for Food and Water Needs During Catastrophic Events

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Questions we want to address

- How do people in the District and surrounding NCR jurisdictions get food and water on blue sky days?
- How has the pandemic changed that?
- What could happen to disrupt food and water flows?
- What are the likely food and water needs during and after a catastrophic event?
- How well prepared are we today to meet those needs?
- What should be doing now to better prepare for a disruption of the food and water supply?

Project tasks

- **Task 1:** Characterize the regional food and water supply chains and evaluate their resilience during catastrophic events.
- **Task 2:** Identify short- and long-term food and water supply needs following a disaster.
- **Task 3:** Develop online interactive tools that provide situational awareness and information-sharing to support management of food and water supply during and following a disaster.
- **Task 4:** Recommend a food and water supply delivery and restoration plan for the MSA.
- **Task 5:** Identify and recommend actions to implement the delivery and restoration plan.
- **Task 6:** Convene a regional Stakeholder Summit.

Freight considerations

- Current challenges faced by the trucking industry
- How the pandemic has changed freight movements/distribution nodes
- Primary routes for food shipments into the NCR
- Potential events that could disrupt food shipments
- Mitigation actions that can be taken to reduce potential transportation disruptions
- Relationships we need to establish with shippers
- What are we missing?