



Dinner Invitation to Celebrate Regional Regenerative Meats & Policy Updates

Dear Doris,

The Governor's May Budget revision is in, a new Flipping the Table podcast is out and we have exciting event announcements to share!

Please Join Us!
Wednesday, June 28, 2023
Mulvaney's B&L, Sacramento, California

A Dinner Celebrating Our Regional and Regenerative Meat Products

Mulvaney's B&L in collaboration with Chefs Patrick Mulvaney and Santana Diaz, Northern California Ranchers and Farmers, Roots of Change, UC Davis Food Systems Lab, UC Davis Institute of the Environment and IC-FOODS, cordially **invite you to celebrate with us the quality of our regional, regenerative meat products.**



The healthy beef, lamb, pork and turkey featured will be sourced from working lands that deliver ecosystem services to the State in a time of increasing climate instability. The producers of the meats will be located at each table to share with attendees their practices and alignment with the multiple health, economic development and resilience goals of California. **The family-style meal including meats and vegetables will be preceded by a cash-bar reception beginning at 6:15 pm.** Meal service to begin at 7 pm. All-in dinner price, including wine, \$75 per person.

RSVP here for the Reception & Celebratory Dinner



Regional Meat Processor Meeting for Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

Our series of meetings with farmers and ranchers for our [USDA meat project](#) is coming to a close with our **last meeting on May 24th in Livermore for Alameda and Contra Costa counties**. During this first project phase we met with and built relationships with about 200 farmers and ranchers from all over Northern California and collected important data that lays the foundation for the second phase of this project.

As a next step, we are bringing together the entire supply chain including procurement officials, potential infrastructure investors, buyers, meat producers and processors to a half-day Summit in Sacramento on June 28th to increase the resilience of the meat supply chain. The Summit will begin with remarks from USDA and California leaders who seek to achieve multiple agricultural, economic, health and environmental goals in a time of growing climate instability. **Our specific purpose will be to initiate a supply chain partnership with the University of California, which feeds up to 600,000 people per day during the academic year.**

The summit will be followed by a reception and specially prepared dinner to celebrate California's regional and regenerative meat producers. We hope you will join us for the [reception and dinner portion of the event!](#) See details and RSVP link in the section above.



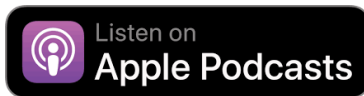
Flipping The Table Podcast

Will California's Nutrition Incentive Program (CNIP) Live On?

In this latest Flipping the Table episode Michael speaks with three leaders - Minni Forman ([Ecology Center](#)), Valeria



Velazquez Duenas ([SEE-LA](#)) and Shawn Harrison ([Soil Born Farms](#)) - implementing nutrition incentive programs in their communities utilizing grant funds from the California Nutrition Incentive program. This is a critical conversation because the current debate over next year's California budget will determine the fate of the program.



ROC 2023 Policy Update

ROC is once again focused on advancing our mission to make the food system in California climate-smart, healthy, and accessible for all eaters.

Building on past successes and our fruitful collaborations with diverse coalition partners, we have placed most of our policy activity in 2023 on moving bond and budget requests.



To see our full list of priorities and bills we're tracking, click on [READ MORE](#).

State Budget May Revision

Blog post by ROC's Policy Specialist Lesley Kroupa, JD, MS, RD

On May 12, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom released his [May Revision](#) proposal for the FY 23-24 state budget. This amends his initial budget proposal released in January 2023. Since January, California's estimated budget deficit for FY 23-24 has increased by \$9 billion from \$22.5 billion to \$31.5 billion. The May revise did not include any additional reductions to [ROC's policy priorities](#).

Climate Change Initiatives:

The Governor's January budget proposal cut **\$6 billion** from the existing \$54

billion climate package. The May revision carried over those cuts and it proposes to shift an additional **\$1.1 billion** from existing commitments to a climate bond, which would require voter approval. [READ MORE](#)

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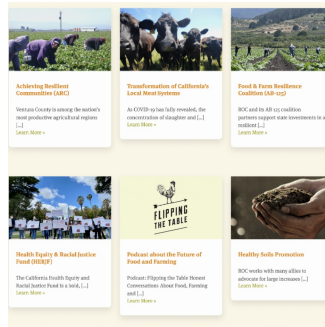
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