



Resilience In This Century

Greetings!

Reflections on the Moment

I believe resilience may prove the key word for this century. The word simply means the ability to recover quickly from difficulties. As most will acknowledge, this century will bring plenty from which to recover. Resilience is the response we need. Fortunately, the word is in the air. I read many articles, hear conversations and work on ROC projects that are all linked to how we humans and our communities must develop our resilience muscles. There is a need for policies and programs that support physical recovery and emotional/psychological recovery. Both require serious focus. [READ MORE](#)



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Legislative Update



COVID-19 upended ROC's planned legislative strategies for the year. It reprioritized state legislators' attention, truncated deliberation and led to massive culling of bills from the original list of submissions. We focused our attention on two goals:

1) delivering documents to the Governor, Cabinet Members and legislative leaders that we authored with allies and that focused on post-COVID economic recovery and the need for dramatic food and agriculture policy change to meet the challenges of future pandemics and global warming;

2) advocacy on bills that we thought could make it through the disrupted process. We had to shift our focus several times during the session. In short, sustainable agriculture legislation made no headway, but some legislation to provide emergency services related to food and Black Lives Matter did move forward.

Below are the session's preliminary results. Hit the links to learn more about each bill. Next month we will update you on those bills now before the Governor.

Bills that Stalled in 1st or 2nd Chamber

[AB 2466](#) California Community Health Fund (Richard Bloom)

[AB 2887](#) Statewide emergencies: mitigation (Rod Bonta)

[SB 1383](#) Unlawful employment practice: family leave (Hannah-Beth Jackson)

Bills that Are Dead

[AB 1839](#) Economic, environmental and social recovery: Covid-19 Recovery Deal (Rod Bonta)

[AB 2039](#) Mobile slaughter operations: sheep and goats (Marc Levine)

[AB 2949](#) School meals: nutritional requirements (Monique Limon)

[AB 2954](#) California Global Warming Solutions Act: climate goal: natural and working lands. (Robert Rivas)

Bills on Governor's Desk Awaiting Signature

[AB 826](#) Emergency food assistance: COVID-19 (Miguel Santiago)

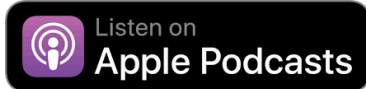
[AB 2054](#) Emergency services: community response: grant program (Sydney Kamlager)

[AB 3121](#) Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans (Dr. Shirley Weber)

This Week's Flipping the Table Podcast

[Filmmaker Sanjay Rawal](#) tells me about his new film [Gather](#). It is the story of native peoples rebirthing their food traditions to heal the impacts of the modern American diet and political and economic oppression. Sanjay and his [Native American producers](#) capture three inspiring stories of work to reclaim food sovereignty.





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