



Feed BC Advisory Group – Update & Touch Base

June 25, 2020

Agenda

Welcome

Feed BC Update

Member Roundtable

What's Next?



Who is joining us today



Feed BC: Looking Ahead

- Feed BC: part of COVID response + long-term food and agriculture recovery
- Sensitive to COVID impacts for Feed BC partners
- Proceeding with initiatives; some may look different/ new timing
- Check-ins with Feed BC partners, stakeholders



Vancouver Island University: Cowichan-Farm-to-Table Teaching Restaurant

Feed BC: Looking Ahead

Year Three (2020-21) Priorities

- Value Chain Innovation - new Ministry service, and pilots (underway)
- Expanding Feed BC institutional partners and confirming Feed BC program standards, tools, benefits and potential policy



University of Northern BC – Campus
Local Foods Coordinator position

Value Chain Innovation

- 1) Provide a one-stop shop for info, resources to access the facilities market
- 2) Help build new, priority product food value chains for BC government facilities

- Important for Feed BC and COVID response
- Priority value chains early work: complete
- Ministry finalizing service structure
- BC food directory (underway), website, tools
- Establish priority value chains (Fall 2020 TBC)



Expanding Feed BC to More Government Facilities

- Continue work with Feed BC partners in health, post-secondary, and corrections
- Complete Feed BC guidance to confirm standards, tools and benefits (e.g., BC food definition; targets and other measures for Feed BC participation, etc.)
- Develop options for government procurement policy, etc.



Over to You: Roundtable Questions

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Over to You: Roundtable Questions

- How have the last few months affected your ability to use, or provide, BC foods?
- Do you think this will change in the next few months?

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What's Next? Feed BC Meetings – New Approach

- Virtual, short meetings on specific topics
- Longer quarterly meeting (2 – 2.5 hrs)
- More frequent email updates

Tentative Schedule:

July: Value Chain Innovation One-Stop-Shop- *What services do you need?*

September: BC Food Directory - *User Testing Workshop*

October: Feed BC Quarterly Meeting - *Update and Networking*

What's Next?

- Feed BC work planning, budget approvals underway
- Stakeholder check-ins
- Priority projects underway

Feedback? Questions? Ideas? Please get in touch at any time:

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