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**Subject:** Re: A question on providing input to the San Mateo General Plan

Thank you, Nickie. And nice to e-meet you Kathy and Julia.

I will be following along the General Plan process, and coordinating the folks at the San Mateo County Food System Alliance, so that they can participate. We are, of course, from all over the county, though we do have a number of residents in the City of San Mateo. We will look to offer some input about food and urban agriculture that we've developed over the last few years, which we are told has been useful. And to have our members otherwise plug in as is helpful. (We are going through an expansion which should make us much more functional and visible starting this spring.)

On a separate matter, I am working on adoption of AB 626, the Homemade Food Operations Act, in San Mateo County. We were very gratified that under Supervisor Canepa's leadership San Mateo was the first county to resolve to adopt this new law. I am waiting to hear from his aide, Bill Silverfarb, about how we can participate in implementation. One thing that we will have to talk about are Home Based Business ordinances for microenterprise home kitchen businesses in the 20 cities in the county. Cities may want to adjust their ordinances with regard to the new law, or at the very least make an informed decision to limit such businesses.

I would be very happy to chat about either of these issues, in person or on the phone, if that would interest you.

Thank you,

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