Connecticut Department of Agriculture Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Working Group

Access to Secure Land Tenure

Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, May 16, 2022
11:00AM-12:00 PM

Will be held virtually- please use information below to participate.
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1. Welcome and Call to Order

2. New Business
   a. Discuss supporting alternative land ownership and tenure models.
      i. What support would be needed for a shared ownership/cooperative model?
         What are the resources currently available? Are there organizations or properties that could serve as an initial pilot or hub?
      ii. How do farmers "graduate" out of the incubator and what is needed in terms of a pipeline of land for expansion or longer-term tenure? Ensuring maximum access for new farmers while giving farmers enough runway in the incubator.
      iii. How to ensure there is asset/wealth-building as part of the arrangement? Is this an important component? What about ground leases or cooperative/condominium/HOA model? For-profit vs. non-profit?
      iv. What are existing models that we can draw on? (See for example ALBA - www.albafarmers.org)

3. Public Comment

4. Next Steps

5. Adjourn