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Something to add as an FYI to our agenda.

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To Whom may it concern,

We, the Anchorage Soil and Water Conservation District, would love to invite you to **our first annual Local Work Group Open House happening on Wednesday, February 28th from 11:00 a.m. until 13:00 p.m..** Our office is at <u>911 W 8th Ave #101, Anchorage, AK 99501</u>. Please find <u>the</u> <u>RSVP link here</u> to attend, so we are able to prepare an Alaska Grown lunch for all of us.

The main purpose of this meeting is to get to know you (for the first time or again) and to enhance the collaboration among us all. We would like to understand our shared values and interests for a better Anchorage. Anchorage SWCD currently has four programs; Native Plants, Invasive Species, Urban Agriculture, and Natural Resources on JBER and we hope to develop Urban Forestry and Wildlife Habitat programs soon. Working with grassroots organizations and local landowners, we promote the conservation and productive and sustainable use of natural resources, including local food production. Based on feedback from our local members, each Soil and Water Conservation District sets its own priorities and programs accordingly.

If you are unfortunately not able to meet us at our office on the 28th, we would be more than pleased to set up one-on-one in-person or zoom meetings. We are so thankful to have you in our community and grateful for all you do. Please feel free to reply to this email for any questions. If you may know anybody who should attend this meeting, please feel free to share this email.

I'm looking forward to seeing you and thank you for reading my email, Schwing (Anchorage SWCD Urban Agricultural Program Leader)

The local work group meeting is defined by the meeting which "make[s] the connection between Districts, NRCS, State, local partners, and producers to work through an assessment of current natural resource concerns in a given area or region and to identify opportunities and challenges that NRCS and partners can address through their conservation programs."

Find more from (LWG Guidebook. 2023)

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