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MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO ANNOUNCES PUBLIC MEETINGS ON UPDATES TO THE AGRICULTURAL & FARMLAND PROTECTION PLAN

Plan will guide efforts to retain high quality farmland and support agriculture and related businesses.

ROCHESTER, NY — Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today invited farmers, farmland owners, and interested community members to participate in the upcoming public meetings held by the county Department of Planning and Development to provide input on the county's update to its Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan.

An in-person meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 12th from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Henrietta Public Library, 625 Calkins Road**. A virtual meeting will be held **Thursday, November 13th from 12:00-1:00 p.m. on Zoom**. Registration is not required for the in-person meeting. To register for the Zoom meeting, visit [MonroeCountyAgPlan.com](https://monroecountyagplan.com).

"Monroe County boasts more than 600 farms, spanning more than 100,000 acres of premium farmland," **said Monroe County Executive Adam Bello**. "Agriculture has always been a cornerstone of our economy and a key to our community's well-being. Yet, we face the challenge of losing nearly 700 acres of this indispensable land each year. Supporting our farmers starts with protecting this irreplaceable farmland and ensuring that our agricultural legacy continues to flourish for generations to come."

The Monroe County Department of Planning and Development and consultants from LaBella Associates will lead the public meetings.

Community members can visit the Plan website to stay up-to-date on the Plan's progress, findings, events or to sign up to receive notifications about the Plan.

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