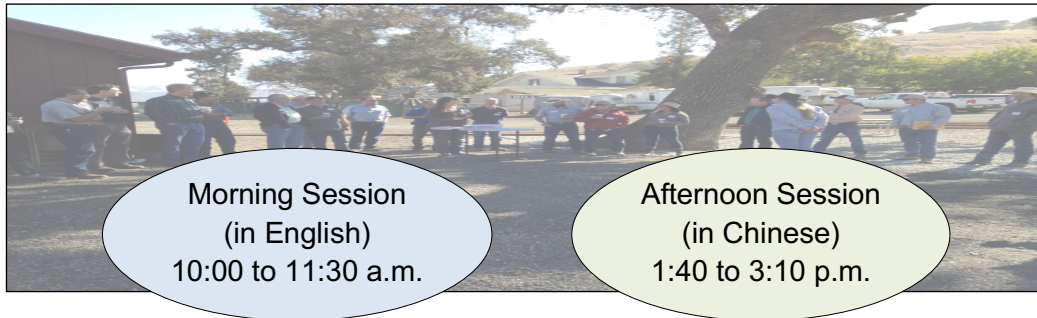


# 2024 Local Work Group Meeting and Field Tour

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024**

The NRCS-RCD Local Work Group (LWG) brings together a diverse group of people with agricultural and natural resource interests to discuss and develop recommendations for local natural resource priorities and criteria for activities and programs delivered by USDA and the local resource conservation districts. This year's meeting is co-hosted by the North Santa Clara, Loma Prieta, and San Benito Resource Conservation Districts, in collaboration with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the Farm Service Agency (FSA), and the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts. More information can be found at <https://www.rcdsantaclara.org/2024-nrcs-rcd-local-work-group-meeting>



## **LWG Meeting (No RSVP Needed)**

*County of Santa Clara Animal Services Conference Room, 12425 Monterey Road, San Martin, CA*

1. Resource Priorities: Discussion of local natural resource and conservation priorities to assist USDA and the local RCDs in the development and delivery of services and programs.
2. Fattoria Public Market and Food Hub Project: Presentation by Joe Raineri, CEO, Terra Amico Corporation.
3. USDA Hollister Service Center: Overview of services and programs offered to agricultural producers by NRCS and FSA.
4. Program Q & A: NRCS, FSA, and RCD staff will answer questions regarding local services and programs.

## **Lunch and Tour: 11:50 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. ([RSVP Required for Lunch](#))**

*MHUSD Farm TECH site, Ann Sobrato High School, 401 Burnett Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA*

Participants will provide their own transportation to Ann Sobrato High School for a hosted lunch and tour of the FarmTECH site, led by MHUSD Director of Student Nutrition Michael Jochner. Attendees will have an opportunity to tour the converted storage container where they grow lettuce hydroponically for student meals, using environmentally friendly and sustainable practices. Lunch will be a chef salad.



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