



Cabarrus County Food Policy Council

North Carolina Sustainable Local Food Advisory Council

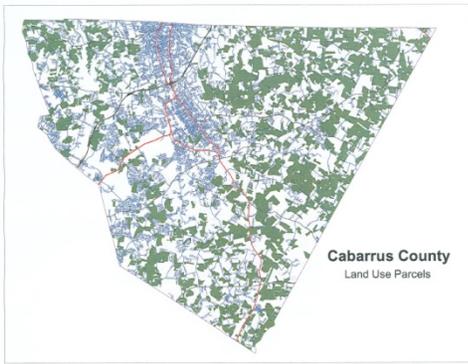
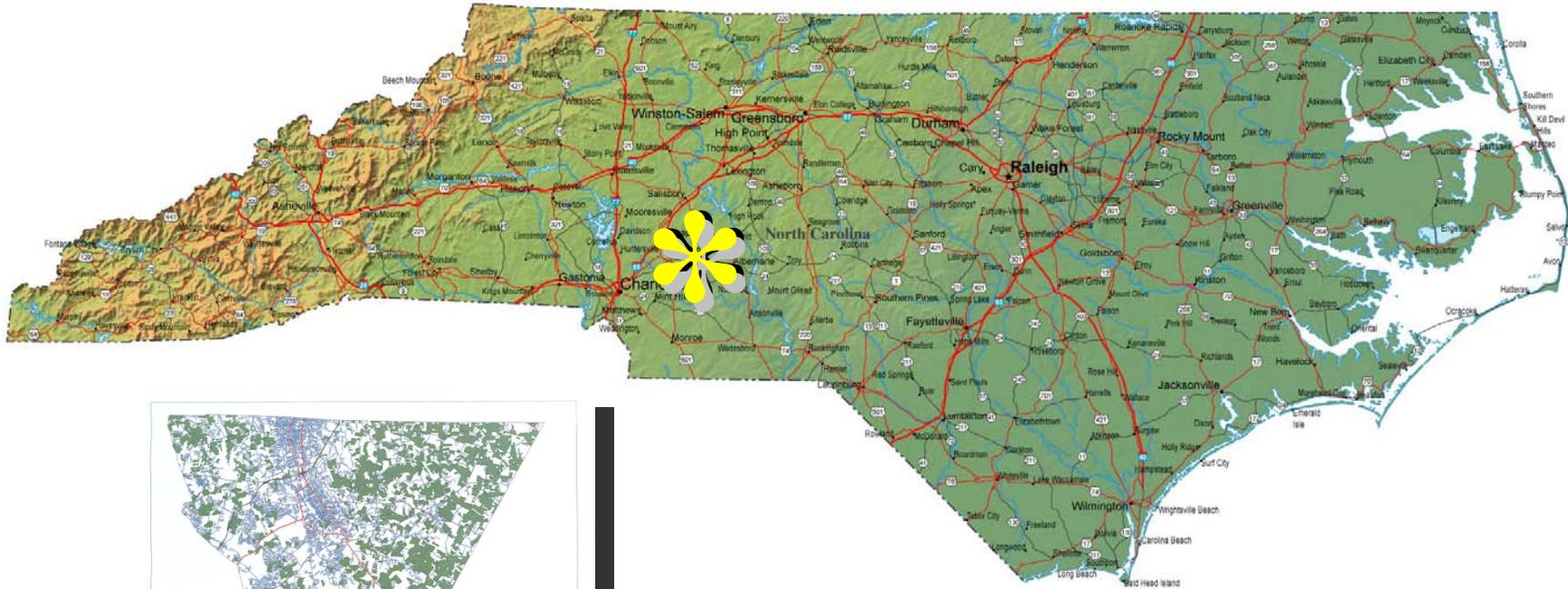
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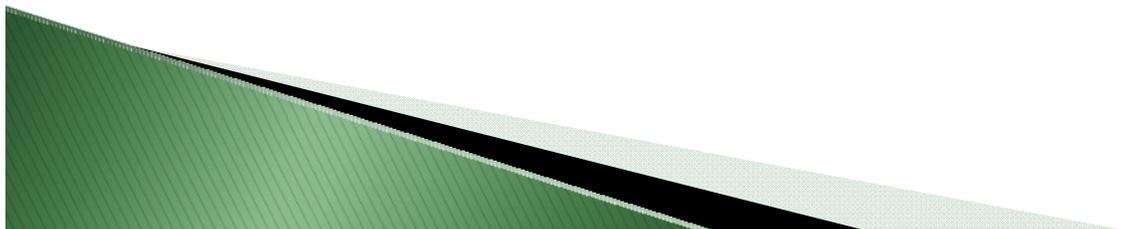
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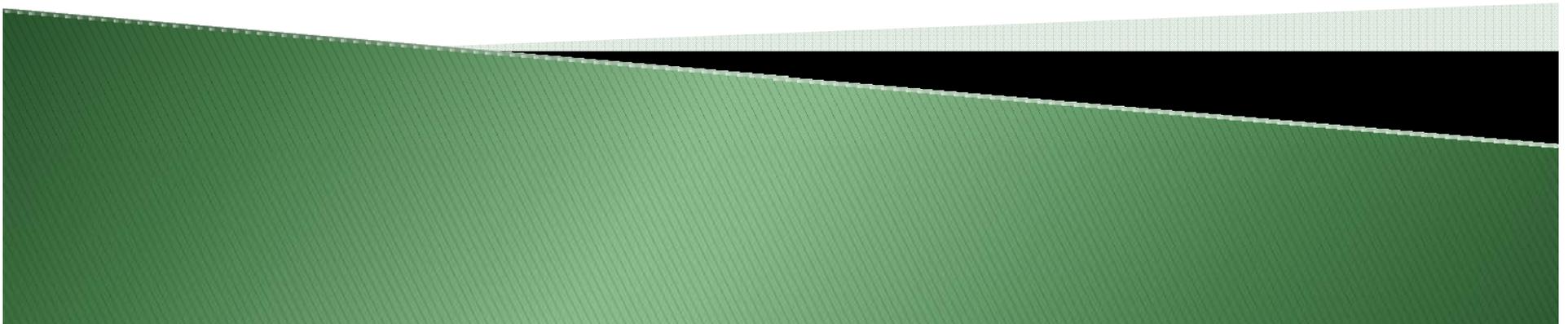


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Land Use Parcels



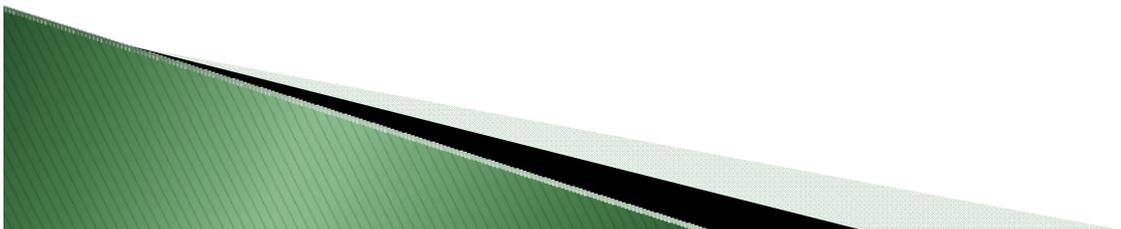
Cabarrus County Food Policy Council (FPC)

- Established by a resolution passed by the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners (BOC) in April, 2010
- It was created to “***help identify and strengthen the connections between food, health, natural resource protection, economic development and the agricultural community.***”
- And charged with “***performing research, educating the community, developing strategies and making policy recommendations that will encourage the development of a robust, sustainable local food economy and a healthier population.***”





Cabarrus County FPC, First Meeting June, 2010



Cabarrus County Food Policy Council

- 21 Members & 2 Active Alternates
- 1, 2 or 3 year terms
- Open meetings the 2nd Thursday of every month
- County assistance includes staff support, meeting space, business cards, a website, logo and memory drives
- Diverse group of private citizens



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Production

2 Vegetable Farmers
Beef/Pork/Chicken Farmer
Dairyman
Florist/Farmer

Processing & Distribution

2 Professional Chefs (SYSCO)
Caterer/Cooking Class Instructor
Restaurateur
Grocer/Vintner
Farmers Market Manager

Health and Wellness

2 Physicians
Child Nutrition Director for
Cabarrus County Schools
Dietitian/Diabetes Educator for
Carolinas Medical Center

Others

2 Bankers
Director of Local Crisis Assistance
Non-Profit
Concord P & Z Commission
Member
Farm Credit Employee
Professor of NCSU
Marketing Professional

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Community Food Assessment(CFA)



- Center for Environmental Farming Systems (CEFS)
- Phase One Presentation to the FPC August 12, 2010
- Phase Two planning and execution to include FPC
 - Identify community members for personal interviews and participation in small group forums.
 - Suggest relevant questions for interviews and forums based on Phase One Information
 - Assist with Phase Two logistics
 - Raise awareness regarding the CFA

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Cabarrus County Fair Local Food Booth

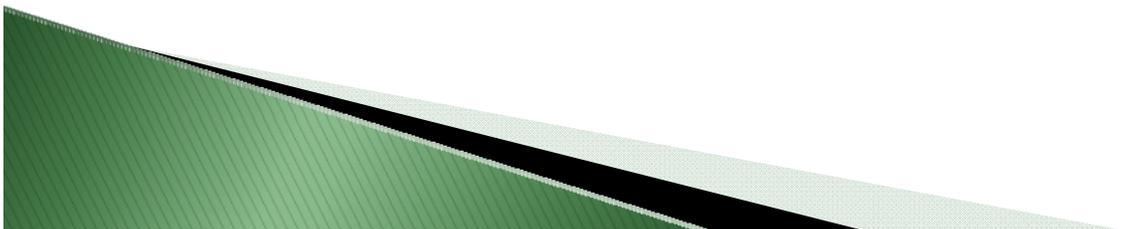


- Food Policy Council
- Community Food Assessment
- Elma C. Lomax Incubator Farm
- Cruse Meats Harvest Facility
- Piedmont Farmers Market (Cabarrus County)
- 10% Local Campaign
- Cooking!

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Summary

- ▶ The Cabarrus County Food Policy Council is a diverse group of private citizens working with the support of County government in an effort to address diverse issues, both in terms of programs and policies, related to growing the local food economy in Cabarrus County and the Greater Charlotte Region.





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