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Thank you to the Committee for the discussion today and for giving consideration to my comment. My comment pertains to the SDLAFCO grant in partnership with GSDSRCD to collect data on agricultural trends throughout the County.

More specifically, I would like to know how this data on agricultural trends will be used? Will this data be used in SDLAFCO's future analyses to determine boundaries for RCDs?

Assuming that the data on agricultural trends will be used to inform SDLAFCO's future decisions, it seems that all impacted agriculturally-focused agencies should have been initially invited to participate in these data collection efforts, given the specific areas of expertise for each agency. MRCD has specific knowledge and a deeper understanding of agricultural trends and needs, as MRCD's district is largely agricultural.

Thank you again for your clarification on this issue and consideration. I am happy to further discuss how MRCD might assist in data collection and planning to continue supporting agriculture in our region. I have provided my contact information to staff for your convenience.

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