

Policy Development Subcommittee

Public Communications

As a public interest group with over 200,000 supporters nationwide, CFS takes seriously our responsibility to actively participate in public policy discussions that affect the work we do on organic, and to inform and involve our supporters whenever possible. As such, we have repeatedly expressed to the Board the need for an official channel, to be open year round, through which we can regularly communicate with the NOSB between meetings. We wholeheartedly support the Policy Development Subcommittee's proposed *Policy for Public Communication between NOSB Meetings* and we thank the Subcommittee for its responsiveness to our requests and to those of the wider organic community to make it happen.

We thank the Board for the important work that it does on behalf of the organic community and for its consideration of our remarks.

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