

The agricultural project is part of an effort to make Alaska food secure and independent. In February, Gov. Mike Dunleavy issued an [administrative order](#) establishing the [Alaska Food Security and Independence Task Force](#). A draft report on findings and recommendations is set to be released Oct. 1, followed by a public comment period.

Earlier this month, Dunleavy signed [another administrative order](#), creating the Office of Food Security. It will operate within the Office of the Governor and is responsible for coordinating the state's efforts related to food security and serving as the first point of contact with agriculture, mariculture, food processing and other related industries, according to a [press release](#). Governor spokesperson Jeff Turner said the Office of Food Security is not officially staffed, but Andrew Jensen was named the policy adviser for food security and agriculture in the governor's office. Jensen still works in communications in the governor's office as well as serve as spokesperson for Dunleavy's reelection campaign.