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## **BCVMC Amendments to the General Order**

On May 13, 2024, the Commission announced that it will pass an Amending Order that effectively defers the implementation of the expanded geographical scope of regulated vegetables to the entire Province until January 1, 2026. This will give the Commission time to consult with vegetable producers, producer organizations, and other industry partners regarding the nature and extent of vegetable production in the north and develop a common-sense approach to the Commission's involvement. The amending order for this deferment has now been issued as Amending Order #1.

The Commission has reviewed and reconsidered the Compliance and Enforcement Policy and Procedures Manual published on January 1, 2024. On further reflection, the Commission determined that the Manual is too prescriptive and inflexible to properly anticipate the procedural requirements and substantive outcomes applicable in all cases of compliance and enforcement. It was resolved that the Manual be repealed in its entirety, effective May 16, 2024. Amending Order #2 repeals the Compliance and Enforcement Policy and Procedures Manual.

Both Amending Orders can be found on the Commission website at <a href="https://www.bcveg.com/general-order--amending-orders/">https://www.bcveg.com/general-order--amending-orders/</a>.

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