

The LGMA Test & Learn (T&L) Working Group, comprised of members from the LGMA T&L Data Governance Group, recommends updating the CA LGMA metrics (leafy green food safety guidelines) to incorporate the recently approved enhancements to the Romaine Test & Learn Program. These updates reflect both the program's two-year extension and the introduction of new data reporting requirements aimed at deepening insights and improving industry-wide learning.

### **Background**

The original timeframe for the CA LGMA Romaine Test & Learn (T&L) Program was scheduled to conclude in October 2025. The LGMA T&L Data Governance Group met during June and July 2025 to review program results and identify opportunities to maximize learnings.

Based on these discussions, the CA LGMA Board approved on **August 7, 2025**, an extension of the program for an additional two years (through September 30, 2027) and the adoption of updated requirements reflected in Issue 17 of the metrics. This proactive step will allow continued data collection and deeper analysis to strengthen industry knowledge.

### **Program Changes:**

Along with the extension, LGMA is introducing new data reporting requirements. These updates are designed to improve the understanding of key associations identified upon initial analysis of the data. To reflect these changes, Issue 17 of the metrics needs to be updated; this comment period is intended to gather feedback on the drafted language of the updated program.

The program remains voluntary and applies only to handlers who are already testing romaine. The new requirements will apply exclusively to those participants.

Find below the following information:

- LGMA Approved Food Safety Guidelines – Issue 17 Draft
- Romaine Test & Learn Annual Ranch Information Form
- Romaine Test & Learn Annual Method Verification Form
- Romaine Test & Learn – Sample Upload Template for Every Sample
- Romaine Test & Learn – Root Cause Interview Recommendations