

Bending the Curve of Foodborne Illness

New Era of Smarter Food Safety

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Agenda

FDA New Era of Smarter Food Safety Core Element 1: Tech-Enabled Traceability

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New Era:
a memorable or
important date or
event, especially one
that begins a new
period in our history.

Tech-enabled Traceability



Smarter Tools and Approaches for Prevention and Outbreak Response



New Business Models and Retail Modernization



Food Safety Culture

Core Element 1: Tech Enabled Traceability



Tech-Enabled Traceability

1. Develop Foundational Components
2. Encourage and Incentivize Industry Adoption of New Technologies
3. Leveraging the Digital Transformation

Meet core element 1



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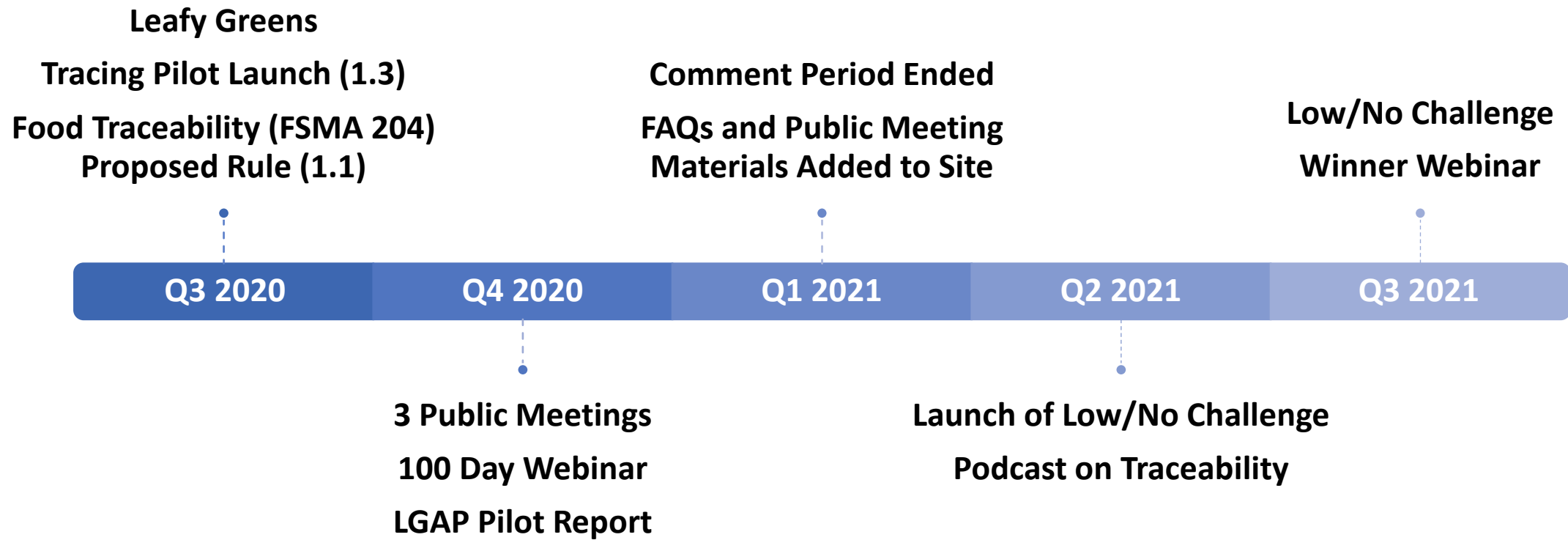
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Topics/Intersections

OUR THINKING

- The New Era of **tech-enabled traceability** will create a harmonized system of traceability from farm to fork.
- Lay the foundations for traceability by harmonizing key data elements and critical tracking events, **making interoperability possible, and helping scale** different traceability systems
- Encourage development and use of **cost-effective tech-enabled tracing systems** for all foods, yielding greater transparency
- Leverage **additional functionality** to track, trace, and monitor the food system
- Establish **investigational methodologies** to optimize the use of traceability data in solving outbreaks and identifying root causes



Timeline



The FDA New Era of Smarter Food Safety

Low- or No-cost Tech-Enabled Traceability Challenge



Traceability Needs in the Food Supply Chain



Challenge Launch: June 1, 2021
Challenge page is made available

Your Submission



June 1, 2021 – July 30, 2021
Participants develop traceability hardware, software, and data analytics platforms

Evaluation & Results



Deadline: July 30, 2021
Food Traceability submissions are evaluated



The road ahead for 2022

- ✓ Finalize the Food Traceability Rule
- ✓ Build a platform to rapidly receive electronic traceability data at FDA
- ✓ Initiate further discussions with domestic and international stakeholders about harmonization of traceability efforts
- ✓ Expand traceability pilot activities beyond leafy greens
- ✓ Implement changes to digital traceback requests
- ✓ Efforts to encourage development of simple, low-cost solutions to promote Tech-Enabled Traceability, and to meet requirements of the FSMA Food Traceability Rule when finalized (Follow up on ideas from the Low-cost, No-cost Traceability Challenge)

Traceability Rule Resources:

- Three Public Meeting recordings and transcripts [available](#)
- Food Traceability proposed rule [webpages](#)
 - Additional Information:
 - [NEW: Frequently Asked Questions about the Food Traceability Proposed Rule](#)
 - [Food Traceability Proposed Rule At-A-Glance](#)
 - [Food Traceability Proposed Rule Exemptions At-A-Glance](#)
 - [Food Traceability List](#)
 - [Risk Ranking Model for Food Tracing tool](#)
 - [Which Key Data Elements Would Apply to Me?](#)
 - [Who is Subject to the Rule Flowchart](#)
 - [Pre-recorded Webinar to Discuss Food Traceability Proposed Rule](#)
 - [Supply Chain Examples](#)
 - [First Receiver Examples](#)
 - [Creation and Transformation](#)
 - [Webinar/video](#)
- Additional questions related to this rule should be sent to the [FSMA Technical Assistance Network](#)
- Meeting requests related to this rule should be submitted to FSMA204Traceability@fda.hhs.gov
- Comments should be submitted to docket FDA-2014-N-0053 on [regulations.gov](#)

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