10 Year Statewide Strategic Plan Innovation Subcommittee Meeting April 1st from 2:00PM – 3:45PM Via Zoom Meeting

Meeting Objectives:

- > Brainstorm Potential Uses of Federal Rescue Act Funds for Innovation with Commissioner Johnson
- Maine Accelerates Growth Updates & Data Dashboard Overview

AGENDA

1. Open Dialogue and Brainstorming Session about federal Rescue Act Funds

(60 minutes)

- Open dialogue with Commissioner Heather Johnson about Federal Rescue Act funds
- Brainstorm ideas and provide feedback on near-term and longer-term priorities, goals, and tactics for achieving recommendations from the 10-year strategic economic plan and the Economic Recovery Committee.
- Simultaneously consider and brainstorm potential projects for FEMA's Long-term Recovery Solution-Based Team on Innovation as outlined at the March 4 meeting

2. Receive update from Maine Accelerates Growth (MxG) and its four working groups

(30 minutes)

- Liz Trice to provide an update on the progress of MxG's five workgroups. The workgroups have been meeting weekly and include:
 - MxG Metrics Workgroup
 - o MxG Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Workgroup
 - MxG Early-Stage Workgroup
 - MxG Growth-Stage Workgroup
 - MxG Communications Workgroup
- Dr. Deborah Strumsky, USM's Center for Business & Economic Research, to share the data dashboard she has developed to monitor the health of entrepreneurship and Maine's innovation ecosystem

3. Next Steps (15 minutes)