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Mastronardi partnership bringing innovation, flavorful produce to new region

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In an effort to bring more high-flavor fresh fruits and vegetables to the region, Mastronardi Produce and Rhode Island Grows, a family-owned farming operation spanning three states, have broken ground on the construction of a 25-acre greenhouse in Exeter, RI.

“This high-tech, state-of the-art facility will use Controlled Environment Agriculture to provide environmentally sustainable, high-quality produce even through the winter,” said Paul Mastronardi, president and CEO of Mastronardi Produce. “This is a significant milestone that we’re honored to be a part of; it will increase our ability to efficiently bring more locally-grown produce to the Northeastern region of the U.S.”

The new build represents phase one of Rhode Island Grows CEO Tim Schartner's plan to supply SUNSET branded produce, and it will leave near a zero-carbon footprint, using solar and other green energy components.

Both Mastronardi Produce and Rhode Island Grows share the same passion of delivering quality, flavorful fruits and vegetables that are grown locally and sustainably, and the Exeter location is merely the start in ensuring opportunity and affluence for the entire region.

"Our state-of-the-art greenhouse will provide a consistent supply of fresh fruits and vegetables to an area that generally relies on outside sources to provide food," said Schartner. "Together, with Mastronardi Produce, we are bringing innovation and wealth creation to the area through sustainable advanced technologies, acumen and food security."

Look for delicious, Rhode Island-grown SUNSET tomatoes and peppers to hit stores in 2022.

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