

Quick start guide for using the map of Maine's Local Food Network

The screenshot shows the 'Maine's Local Food Network' web application. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links: 'About The Project', 'Map Content', 'Tool Help', 'How To Use The Map', 'Contact Us', and 'Add Your Data'. Below the menu is a search bar with the text 'Explore the map: click on a point or choose one of these tools' and an 'Enter address' field. The main area is a map of Maine with various colored symbols representing different food network components. A 'Layers' panel on the right lists categories like 'Buying Clubs', 'Farmers' Markets & Farm S', 'Retail Stores', 'Farms', and 'Specialty Food Producers'. A pop-up window for 'Buy local food: Presque Isle Farmers Market' is open, showing details like address and phone number. A 'Zoom to' button is visible at the bottom of the pop-up. Several callouts with arrows point to specific map features: 'Return the map to its full size' points to the full-screen button; 'Learn how to use the tools here' points to the 'Tool Help' link; 'Complete map instructions' points to the 'How To Use The Map' link; 'Previous view of map map' points to the previous view button; 'Adjust map left, right, up or down with pan tool' points to the pan tool; 'Click on a symbol for information to be displayed in a pop-up window' points to a market symbol; 'To zoom in, click here and then draw a box on the map around an area of interest' points to the zoom-in button; 'Click "Zoom to" in the pop-up window to zoom the map to this place.' points to the 'Zoom to' button; and 'Click and drag down corner to see all layers' points to the bottom-right corner of the layers panel.

These instructions guide the use of the online map of Maine's Local Food Network prepared by Lisa Ravis and Laura Teisl at the UMM GIS Laboratory and Service Center. The map application supports the GROWashington-Aroostook regional planning process which focuses on job creation, modern infrastructure, and healthy, affordable communities in the counties of Aroostook and Washington in northeastern Maine. More information is available at <http://www.gro-wa.org/>.