Reviewer’s report

Title: Food Access and Perceptions of the Community and Household Food Environment as Correlates of Fruit and Vegetable Intake among Rural Seniors

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Much improved

Minor Essential:

1. Why present separately data for fruit and vegetables separately. The paper makes no case for the examination of fruit separate from vegetable. Data are very similar for both distance measures and for model coefficients. The paper will be much more readable, especially the paragraph Statistical Analyses, and the results, as well as the tables. The latter half of that Statistical Analyses paragraph is very hard to follow and should be reworked, especially under simplification of presentation.

2. Somewhat related, the titles of Table 6 and 7 are identical, which is impossible.

Discretionary items:

1. The use of "association ...to " in at least two places where I would expect "...with.."

2. Abstract Results: "Perceived and objective measures of food store access." This sentence does not make sense!

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests