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Dennis Donohue lays out his top five opportunities for agtech in 2021. Find out what Donohue, Director at Western Growers Center for Innovation & Technology, has to say.

Modern Tribe may not be headquartered in Santa Cruz any longer but we still like to follow their news. Check out the latest.

Self-driving cars from Toyota Research Institute may soon be roaming around the Marina Municipal Airport. You may recall that Joby Aviation, the company building electric flying taxis, also leases hangars at the airport in Marina.

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