



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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Agenda: September 22, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
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## Humane Treatment of Biomedical Animals

Dear Members of the Board:

On June 2, 1998 your Board directed this office to return on September 22, 1998 with recommendations on the humane treatment of animals used in biomedical research or production to allow for review and consideration of the "Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching" by County staff and the SPCA. This guide is a publication of the Center for Animal Welfare, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, University of California, Davis.

At the time of our last correspondence, it was expected that this book would be available to the public at the end of July. Regrettably, this has not been the case; the Director for the Center of Animal Welfare estimates that the Guide will be available in the next two or three weeks. In order to provide for review of the materials included in the Guide, it is RECOMMENDED that your Board direct the County Administrative Officer to return as soon as possible, but no later than November 10, 1998 with recommendations on the humane treatment of animals used in biomedical research or production.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan A. Mauriello", with a stylized flourish at the end.

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO  
County Administrative Officer

cc: Kat Brown, Acting Executive Director, SPCA  
Dave Moeller, Agricultural Commissioner  
Rahn Garcia, County Counsel  
Jess Brown, Farm Bureau  
Suzanne Ness, California Biomedical Research Association  
David R. Casper, D.V.M., Long Marine Laboratory  
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