

County of Santa Cruz

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2/23/99 AGENDA:

February 8, 1999

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

> ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AGRICULTURAL RE:

> > POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

Attached is the Annual Report of the Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission for calendar year 1998. I recommend that the Board accept and file this report and direct the Chairperson to thank the members of the Commission for their efforts on the County's behalf.

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MQUIST, Chair f Supervisors Chairperson

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Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission cc:

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AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION 1998 ANNUAL REPORT

ROLES OF THE COMMISSION:

The Agricultural Policy Advisory Commission advises and assists the Board of Supervisors on all issues relating to the County's agricultural industry and evaluates matters of agriculture that are referred to the Commission. In its advisory capacity, it is the intent of the Commission to further encourage, promote and protect Santa Cruz County agriculture.

MEETING DATES. TIME AND LOCATIONS:

The Commission meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at 1432 Freedom Boulevard, Watsonville, in the Agricultural Extension Services Auditorium. Holidays or special use of the Auditorium for other purposes may result in occasional changes of the meeting day to the third Thursday of the affected month.

COMMISSION STRUCTURE:

The Commission is currently made up of Chairperson Bruce Dau, representing the 5th Supervisorial District; Vice-Chairperson Bill Ringe, representing the 4th Supervisorial District; Commissioner Sam Earnshaw, representing the 1st Supervisorial District; Commissioner Frank "Lud" McCrary, representing the 3rd Supervisorial District, and Don Hagerty, representing the 2nd Supervisorial District.

COMMISSION STAFF:

Bob Stakem, Agricultural Land Use Planner, representing the Santa Cruz County Planning Department, presents all land-use items to the Commission, as required by County Code.

ATTENDANCE:

See Attached Attendance Roster.

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ANNUAL GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 1. Continue to provide advice and assistance to the Board of Supervisors by providing information and expertise on the County's agricultural industry and by evaluating agricultural matters referred to the Commission by the Board.
- 2. Continue to encourage, promote and protect all aspects and practices of agriculture in Santa Cruz County, to the extent the Board directs the Commission to do so.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The expertise of the members of the Commission is a valuable resource available for use by your Board. The Commission is prepared to continue to advise, evaluate and offer recommendations on important issues affecting agriculture. As the tensions between farming practices on agricultural land and nonagricultural land uses increase, the Commission could provide critical input in developing solutions to the conflicts which inevitably arise.

The Commission's recommendation to your Board is that your Board continue to fully utilize the expertise of the Commission and to rely on the Commission's willingness to provide advice and to evaluate all issues affecting agriculture in Santa Cruz County.

Respectively submitted,

David W. Moeller Executive Secretary

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Attachment

AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION

ATTENDANCE ROSTER 1998

X = Present

E = Excused

A = Absent

R = Resigned

MEMBERS	Ist District SamEarnshaw	2nd District Donald Hagerty	3rd District Frank "Lud" McCrary	4th District William Ringe	5th District Bruce Dau
JANUARY	X	X	\mathbf{X}_{\pm}	X	X
FEBRUARY	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
MARCH	Х	Х	X	X	Х
APRIL	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
MAY	Х	X	E	X	x
JUNE	Е	X	X	X	X
JULY	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
AUGUST	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
SEPTEMBER	Х	x	X	E	X
OCTOBER	Е	X	X	A	X
NOVEMBER	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
DECEMBER	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting