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AGENDA: September 28, 1999

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, California 95060

Agricultural Extension County Director

Dear Members of the Board:

As you will recall, the Agricultural Extension Services is a cooperative county, State, and federal activity. The University of California provides professional staff and overall supervision and management of the program. The County provides office space, transportation, supplies, and clerical support. Sonia Varea Hammond has functioned as the County Director for the Santa Cruz office for the last five years, splitting her time between here and the Salinas. Ms. Hammond has informed us that the University of California has appointed Laura Tourte as the County Director for the Santa Cruz office.

In keeping with standard UC practice, Ms. Tourte will have a split appointment. 30% of her time will be devoted to her responsibility as County Director, and 70% of her time dedicated to programmatic work as Small Farms Advisor. As such, Ms. Tourte will be provide assistance to the local agricultural community in the areas such as cost analysis, management decisions, profitability analysis, marketing, and financial records.

I am pleased to note that Ms. Hammond will be orienting Ms. Tourte for the first six months of her assignment and will serve as a resource to her subsequently. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Hammond for the excellent service she has provided to the residents of Santa Cruz County for the past five years.

Ms. Hammond has requested the opportunity to introduce Ms. Tourte to your Board at the September 28, 1999 meeting.

Very truly yours,

Susan A. Mauriello
County Administrative Officer

cc: Sonia Hammond, Agricultural Extension

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