

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**Department:** Planning and Development  
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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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**SUBJECT:** 03AGP-00000-00022, Wells Fargo Bank Agricultural Preserve Contract

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## **Recommendation:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set a date to consider the request of Jack Collison, Esq., agent for Wells Fargo Bank NA, Trustee Sederland Trusts, to consider Case No. 03AGP-00000-00022, one Agricultural Preserve Replacement Contract. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel No. 139-250-063, located approximately 1 mile northwest of the intersection of Refugio and Mesa Verde Roads, in the Santa Ynez area, Third Supervisorial District. (SET ON ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2005 SECOND HEARING)

## **Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation is primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

## **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (75-AP-045) since January 1, 1976. A tentative parcel map (TPM 14,598) modified the boundaries of the existing preserve thus causing the need for the replacement contracts. The site is approximately 104.02 acres used for cattle grazing.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

Government Code §51200 (known as the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 or the Williamson Act) provides that local jurisdictions may establish an agricultural preserve program having the goal of retaining land in an agricultural use. The County of Santa Barbara has adopted such a program which is codified under the Agricultural Preserve Program Uniform Rules. Both the County's Uniform Rules and the Government Code provide that agricultural preserve contracts between the County and landowners are voluntary. Therefore, there are no state mandates associated with this program.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The costs associated with processing this replacement contract are offset by the \$1,326.00 processing fee required to be paid by the applicant per the Planning & Development adopted fee schedule.

**Special Instructions:**

N/A

**Concurrence:**

N/A