



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Planning and Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of:
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s) John Baker, Director
Planning and Development
Contact Info: Zoraida Abresch, Deputy Director (934-6585)
Development Review - North County
SUBJECT: Rancho Tinaquaic, LLC, Santa Maria

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: Yes No N/A

Recommended Action(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set a hearing on March 13, 2007 at the request of John Wickenden, agent for Rancho Tinaquaic, LLC, to consider Case No. 05AGP-00000-00015 for approval of an agricultural preserve replacement contract.

At the March 27, 2007 hearing, the Board of Supervisors action should include the following:

- A. Approve and direct execution and recordation by the Clerk of the Board of new contract 05AGP-00000-00015, replacing a portion of the original Agricultural Preserve 70-AP-058. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel No. 133-070-037, located on the north side of Foxen Canyon Road, in the Santa Maria area, Fifth Supervisorial District. (SET ON ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA FOR March 27, 2007)

Summary:

A recent lot line adjustment (98LLA-00000-00001) modified the boundaries of the existing preserve thus causing the need for the replacement contract. No land under contract was removed as part of the approved lot line adjustment. The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (70-AP-058) since January 1, 1971. The site is approximately 100 acres and is used for dry farming and cattle grazing.

Background:

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:

Budgeted: Yes No

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: 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.

Fees were collected on this agricultural preserve in accordance with the Board Resolution in effect at the time of application submittal (2005). On November 14, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a revised fee schedule which eliminated specific categories of agricultural preserve application fees. This fee schedule went into effect on January 13, 2007 (60 days after approval).

Permit revenues are budgeted in the Permitting & Compliance Program of the Development Review, North Division on Page D-296 of the adopted 2006 – 2007 fiscal year budget.

Staffing Impact(s):

Legal Positions:

N/A

FTEs:

N/A

Special Instructions:

Please distribute copies of the recorded contract with attached legal descriptions and copies of the Board of Supervisors Minute Order as follows:

P&D	Contract, Map
Assessor	Contract, Map
Surveyor	Contract
Clerk	Contract
John Wickenden	Contract, Map
5642 Antelope Trail	
Santa Maria CA 93455	

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Attachments:

1. Agricultural Preserve Contracts
2. Legal Descriptions
3. Vicinity Map

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Development Review Division – North, Planning and Development Department