

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

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Department Name: Planning and

Development

Department No.: 053

For Agenda Of: June 19, 2007

Placement: \* Administrative \*

Estimated Tme: \* 2 minutes
Continued Item: No \*

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Vote Required: Majority \*

**TO:** Board of Supervisors \*

**FROM:** Department John Baker, Director

Director(s) \* Planning and Development

Contact Info: Zoraida Abresch, Deputy Director (934-6585)

Development Review - North County

SUBJECT: \* MJ Ranch/Oak Investors Agricultural Preserve Replacement Contract, Los Olivos

<u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> \* <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u> \*

As to form: N/A \* As to form: N/A \*

Other Concurrence: \* N/A \*

As to form: No \*

## **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Consider Case No. 05AGP-00000-00027 for approval of an agricultural preserve replacement contract for Michael Schoff, MJ Ranch

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-00000-00027, replacing a portion of the original Agricultural Preserve 75-AP-034. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel No. 135-010-026, located approximately 3,200 feet south of the Highway 101/154 interchange, known as 3071 Via de los Ranchos in the Los Olivos area, Third Supervisorial District.

#### **Summary Text:**

A recent lot line adjustment (02LLA-00000-00007) modified the boundaries of the existing preserve thus causing the need for the replacement contracts. The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (75-AP-034) since January 1, 1976.

The original agricultural preserve contract was non-renewed by the landowner on December 6, 2005. The non-renewal was filed to remove a 4.04 acre parcel from preserve that did not qualify and was separated by Highway 154. The site is approximately 110.34 acres and is used for 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

#### **Fiscal Analysis:**

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). At the time the application was submitted, it could not be processed pending recordation of 02LLA-00000-00007. 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-294 of the adopted 2006 – 2007 fiscal year budget.

### **Special Instructions:**

Los Olivos CA 93441

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

Contract, Map

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Contract

Contract

P&D
Assessor
Surveyor
Clerk
MJ Ranch
P.O. Box 700

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# **Attachments:**

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

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