

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name:

Planning and

Development

Department No.:

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For Agenda Of: Placement:

September 23. 2008 Administrative

Estimated Tme: 2 minutes

Continued Item:

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department

John Baker, Director

Director

Planning and Development

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

Development Review - North County

SUBJECT:

El Encinal LLC Agricultural Preserve Replacement Contract, Los Alamos area

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: No

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Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Consider Case No. 08AGP-00000-00018 for approval of an agricultural preserve replacement contract for El Encinal LLC.

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 08AGP-00000-00018, replacing a portion of the original Agricultural Preserve 69-AP-054B. The replacement contract involves Assessor's Parcel number 099-030-040, located approximately 2 miles southwest of the intersection of Highway 135 and Bell Street, in the Los Alamos area, Fourth Supervisorial District.

Summary Text:

The subject property has been in an agricultural preserve (69-AP-054B) since January 1, 1969. The original preserve was approximately 1800 acres and was comprised of one parcel. On December 23, 1986, TPM 13,549 recorded which created the two parcels of 107 acres and 1,700 acres. The 107 acre parcel is now completing the requirements for the replacement contract which had been pending due to changes in ownership. The parcel is currently used for crops, and 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: No

Fiscal Analysis:

On November 14, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved a revised fee schedule which eliminated specific categories of agricultural preserve application fees. Fees associated with replacement contracts have been waived by the Board of Supervisors. This fee schedule went into effect on January 13, 2007 (60 days after approval).

The cost for the contract review and preparation of this report is estimated to be \$1000.00, and is budgeted in the Permitting & Compliance Program of the Development Review, North Division on Page D-305 of the adopted 2008–2009 fiscal year budget.

Special Instructions:

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

Florence Trotter-Cadena, P&D Contract, Map
Assessor Contract, Map
Surveyor Contract
Clerk Contract
El Encinal LLC Contract, Map
P.O. Box 617

Attachments:

1. Agricultural Preserve Contracts

Los Alamos CA 93440

- 2. Legal Descriptions
- 3. Vicinity Map

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