



**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:** December 10, 2013  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department: Planning and Development  
Director: Glenn Russell, PhD., Director 568-2085  
Contact Info: Alice McCurdy, Deputy Director, 568-2518  
Development Review Division  
**SUBJECT: Consolidated Enterprises, LLC New Agricultural Preserve Contract, Santa Maria area**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: No

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form: No

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve the creation of one new prime Agricultural Preserve Contract (Case No. 11AGP-00000-00014) as follows:

1. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a new agricultural preserve contract, included as Attachment 1 of this Board Letter, creating Agricultural Preserve, 11AGP-00000-00014, on a single 287.72-acre legal parcel (comprised of Assessor Parcel Number 113-240-014) located at the intersection of Black and Dutard Roads, known as 2820 Betteravia Road, in the Santa Maria area;
2. Adopt a resolution, included as Attachment 2 of this Board Letter creating Agricultural Preserve, 11AGP- 00000-00014; and
3. Determine that the project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15317, as specified in Attachment 4 of this Board Letter, dated December 10, 2013.

**Summary Text:**

The proposed new Consolidated Enterprise, LLC Agricultural Preserve contract (11AGP-00000-00014) would be a prime preserve consisting of one 287.72-acre legal parcel (APN 113-240-014) located at the intersection of Black and Dutard Roads, known as 2820 Betteravia Road, in the Santa Maria area, Third Supervisorial District (Attachment 5). The parcel contains 282.22-acres used for row crops. The parcel has no structural or non-agricultural development onsite. However a 5.5-acre unimproved drainage channel is located on the parcel and is used to divert water from the fields.

The parcel is currently zoned AG-II-100 under the Land Use and Development Code. On August 19, 2011 the Agricultural Preserve Advisory Committee reviewed 11AGP-00000-00014 and determined the proposed project is consistent with the Uniform Rules.

**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 Uniform Rules for Agricultural Preserves and Farmland Security Zones. 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

There are no fees associated with new agricultural-preserve contracts for applications accepted prior to May 5, 2012. The total estimated cost to process this agricultural preserve contract is approximately \$2,830.00, and is budgeted in the Permitting Program of the Planning and Development Department, as shown on page D-168 of the adopted 2013/2015 fiscal year budget.

**Special Instructions:**

Clerk of the Board shall distribute copies of the recorded contract (with legal description and vicinity map) and Minute Order, as follows:

- David Villalobos, Planning and Development Department, Hearing Support
- Florence Trotter-Cadena, Planning and Development Department
- Assessor's Office
- Surveyor's Office
- Clerk Recorder's Office
- Owner: Ed Sutti, Consolidated Enterprises, LLC, 2820 West Betteravia Road, Santa Maria CA 93458

**Attachments:**

1. Agricultural Preserve Contract
2. Resolution Creating Agricultural Preserve
3. Approved Legal Description
4. CEQA Exemption for Agricultural Preserve
5. Vicinity Map

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