Memorandum

Date: November 9, 2005

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Steve Mason, Deputy Director

Administration Division Planning and Development

Subject: Request for Continuation for the Flag is Up Farms Nonrenewal from the

November 22, 2005 to March 7, 2006

CC: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

On March 24, 2005 the Agricultural Preserve Advisory Committee recommended nonrenewal of existing agricultural preserve contract 77-AP-054 due to its noncompliance with Uniform Rule #8, Transfer of Ownership. As such, the project was set for hearing on November 22, 2005 with a recommendation for nonrenewal. Since that time, replacement contracts have been applied for which cover Assessor Parcel numbers 137-250-063, -078 (Roberts) and 137-250-078 (Lockwood). The remaining parcel 137-120-087 (Trabucco) does not qualify for the program because of the size of the parcel (2.63 acres).

Although the replacement contracts have been received, there is insufficient time to complete all the required processing before the Board of Supervisors last hearing on December 13, 2005. Without the replacement contracts in place, nonrenewal would result in the property owners losing the benefit of reduced property taxes until January 1, 2007. Staff anticipates that the replacement contracts will be completed and in place by February 28, 2006. The nonrenewal could then move forward for original contract 77-AP-054 without effecting the property taxes. Therefore, staff recommends continuance of case number 05AGP-00000-00030.

The Board of Supervisor's motion should include the following:

a) Continuance of the Flag is Up Farms (Roberts) 05AGP-00000-00030 to March 7, 2006.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact the case planner, Florence Trotter-Cadena (934-6253), with any questions.

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