

MONTEREY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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ANNUAL REPORT: JULY 1, 2011 – JUNE 30, 2012

Month / Subject	Speaker	Action/Recommendation
JULY 2011		
Ag Commissioner's Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light Brown Apple Moth (LBAM) • Pesticide Posting Regulation • European Grapevine Moth (EGVM) 	Eric Lauritzen Agricultural Commissioner	No action required.
Transportation Agency for Monterey County Overview presentation on the bicycle and pedestrian master plan.	Debbie Hale Executive Director, TAMC	No action required.
Williamson Act Agricultural Preserve – Proposed Compatible Use Amendment (Barbieri) Allow assemblages of people, carnivals, festivals, weddings, races, private parties, concerts, etc.	Steve Mason Planning Department	The committee voted that the proposed amendment to the County list of approved compatible uses is inconsistent with State and County Williamson Act programs.
US Fish and Wildlife Service's Proposed CA Foothills Legacy Area Update on proposed easement program and planning process.	Scott Violini Ag Advisory Committee Member	No action required.
General Plan Implementation Policies and Programs Appoint special ad hoc committee to review memo and staff recommendation regarding AAC review of ag focused and ag related ordinances and programs developed for the implementation of the 2010 County General Plan.	Carl Holm Resource Management Agency Dawn Mathes Ag Commissioner's Office	The Committee voted that Kurt Gollnick, Christopher Bunn, and Bill Hammond serve on the ad-hoc committee. Scott Violini and Manuel Morales will participate as appropriate.
Administrative Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Appointment • Chair and Vice Chair 	Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Costa was welcomed to the committee. • Ridge Watson will serve as Chair and Kurt Gollnick will serve as Vice Chair.

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AUGUST 2011		
8/22/11 – Workshop Agricultural Economic Contribution Study Roundtable discussion on the development of a study to analyze and determine the economic contributions of agriculture to Monterey County and the greater Monterey Bay region.	Jeff Langholz, Ph.D., MIIS Fernando DePaolis, Ph.D., MIIS	No action required.
SEPTEMBER 2011		
Public Comment Asked for letters of support to help retain the entomology position which is funded until mid-October.	Maria de la Fuente, Ph.D., UCCE County Director	No action required.
Agricultural Economic Contribution Study Provided update	Jeff Langholz, Ph.D., MIIS Fernando DePaolis, Ph.D., MIIS	No action required.
Williamson Act Non-Renewals 2012	Steve Mason Planning Department	The Committee voted to support staff recommendation of non-renewal of four WA contracts.
Burnstein/Marilyn Remark Subdivision of ten-acre lot.	Valerie Negrete Planning Department	The Committee voted to approve the lot line adjustment as submitted.
Universal Foods/J. Lohr Redevelopment of existing agricultural processing plant to construct winery in same location.	Valerie Negrete Planning Department	The Committee voted to recommend approval of the project.
Agricultural Commissioner's Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LBAM Update • Methyl iodide • Santa Cruz County Ag Commissioner • CDFA & Division of Measurement Standards • Subcommittee 	Eric Lauritzen Agricultural Commissioner	No action required.

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FEBRUARY 2012		
Public Comment Thank you for support of the entomology position for UCCE. The job notice has been posted.	Maria de la Fuente, Ph.D. UCCE County Director	No action required.
Agricultural Commissioner's Update Methyl iodide	Bob Roach Assistant Agricultural Commissioner	No action required.
McShane's Nursery Multiple use authorization	Bob Schubert Planning Department	The Committee voted to support the produce stand with no restrictions as to where the produce is sourced; support the seasonal events/mixers and Christmas tree sales providing the parking mitigations are properly installed.
Williamson Act: Legislative Overview, Statewide Trends, Open Space and Recreational Use Provisions Presentation by the CA Dept. of Conservation on the WA included statewide trends on matters of interest to the Committee.	John Lowrie State Watershed Program Manager	No action required.
Williamson Act Compatible Uses and the Agriculture and Winery Corridor Plan	Carl Holm Resource Management Agency Dawn Mathes Ag Commissioner's Office	The Committee voted to refer the list of compatible uses to the subcommittee for review. Those findings will be put on the agenda of the next AAC meeting at which time a recommendation will be made to the BOS.
Final Report "Leading the Field: Economic Contributions of Monterey County Agriculture"	Dawn Mathes Ag Commissioner's Office	Advised Committee that the report is to be released on 3/21/12.
No Subcommittee Meeting Held		
MAY 31, 2012		
Public Comment Glare and heat reflected up by hoop houses over raspberries below home.	Dan Haldeman Homeowner	The Committee will put this particular topic on the agenda for a future meeting in one to two months.

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Agricultural Commissioner's Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Study release • 2011 Crop Report scheduled release • Pest interceptions on shipments to FL • New state admin fee added to phytos • CDFA Budget Cuts • DPR local domestic well sampling • Chlorpyrifos • CalOSHA inspections • Invasive Species Tour – Senator Cannella 	Bob Roach Assistant Ag Commissioner	No action required.
Interim Guidelines for Well Permits	Richard LeWarne Environmental Health	No action required.
Sunset Farms, Inc. Combined development permit	Taven Kinison Brown Planning Department	The Committee voted to recommend the Planning Committee approves the project.
Runoff and Erosion Associated with Hoop Houses	Bob Roach Assistant Ag Commissioner Wayne Gularte Rincon Farms	The Committee voted to ask Ag Commissioner's staff to look into forming a committee to investigate this issue further and identify management practices that may be used to prevent erosion and runoff.
Williamson Act Compatible Uses	Dawn Mathes Ag Commissioner's Office	This item to be reviewed again by the ad hoc subcommittee in June and will be brought back to the Committee at the next meeting.
Administrative Matters Members' Terms Expiring	Bob Roach	By consensus Dr. Alex Eastman will be serving another three-year term as At-Large Member.

Meetings Cancelled

August 2011

November 2011 – No Meeting Scheduled

October 2011

December 2011

January 2012

March 2012

April 2012

June 2012