

Monterey County Industrial Hemp Pilot Program Recommendations



April 28, 2020



Pilot Program Review

- Registration Deadline August 31, 2019
- Limited to 30 Registrations
- Maximum of 100 acres per Registrant
- Previously Cultivated Ag Land
- Distance Buffers to:
 - Residential Areas (Pajaro) – 1,000 feet
 - Rural Community (South County) – 2 miles
 - Cannabis Operations – 3 miles

Pilot Program Assessment

- Industrial Hemp District Zoning (HMP)
- Applications Accepted
- Applications Denied
- Cultivation Acreage
- Participation Interest
- Split Parcels



Industrial Hemp District (HMP)

NORTH COUNTY
INLAND

336,990 Farmland Zoning
- 237,910 Farmland Outside
North & South County
Planning Areas
- 20,560 Residential Zoning &
Rural Center Buffers
= 78,520 acres

SOUTH COUNTY



Industrial Hemp District (HMP)

78,520 acres

NORTH COUNTY
INLAND

SALINAS

KING CITY

SOUTH COUNTY



Pilot Program Applications Accepted

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED	OPERATIONS	ACRES
CDFA Registered Operations	8	540
Research Operations	2	110
Total Participation	10	650



Pilot Program Applications Denied

APPLICATIONS DENIED (REASON)	OPERATIONS	ACRES
Cannabis Site Buffer Consent Not Submitted	4	37
Outside HMP District	7	428
Incomplete Application	5	172
Total Denied	16	637



Pilot Program Cultivation Acres

Operation	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	THC Tested	THC Content
Research	10	10	n/a	n/a
Seed Breeder	5	0	Yes	0.128%
Cultivator	0	0	-	-
Total	20	10		



Interest Locations and Acres

AREA	SITES	ACRES
SOUTH COUNTY AREA	22	1,891
SALINAS AREA	9	349
NORTH COUNTY AREA	2	30
COASTAL AREA	4	144
	COUNTY TOTAL	37 2,414



Pajaro Residential Zoning Buffer



Residential Zoning

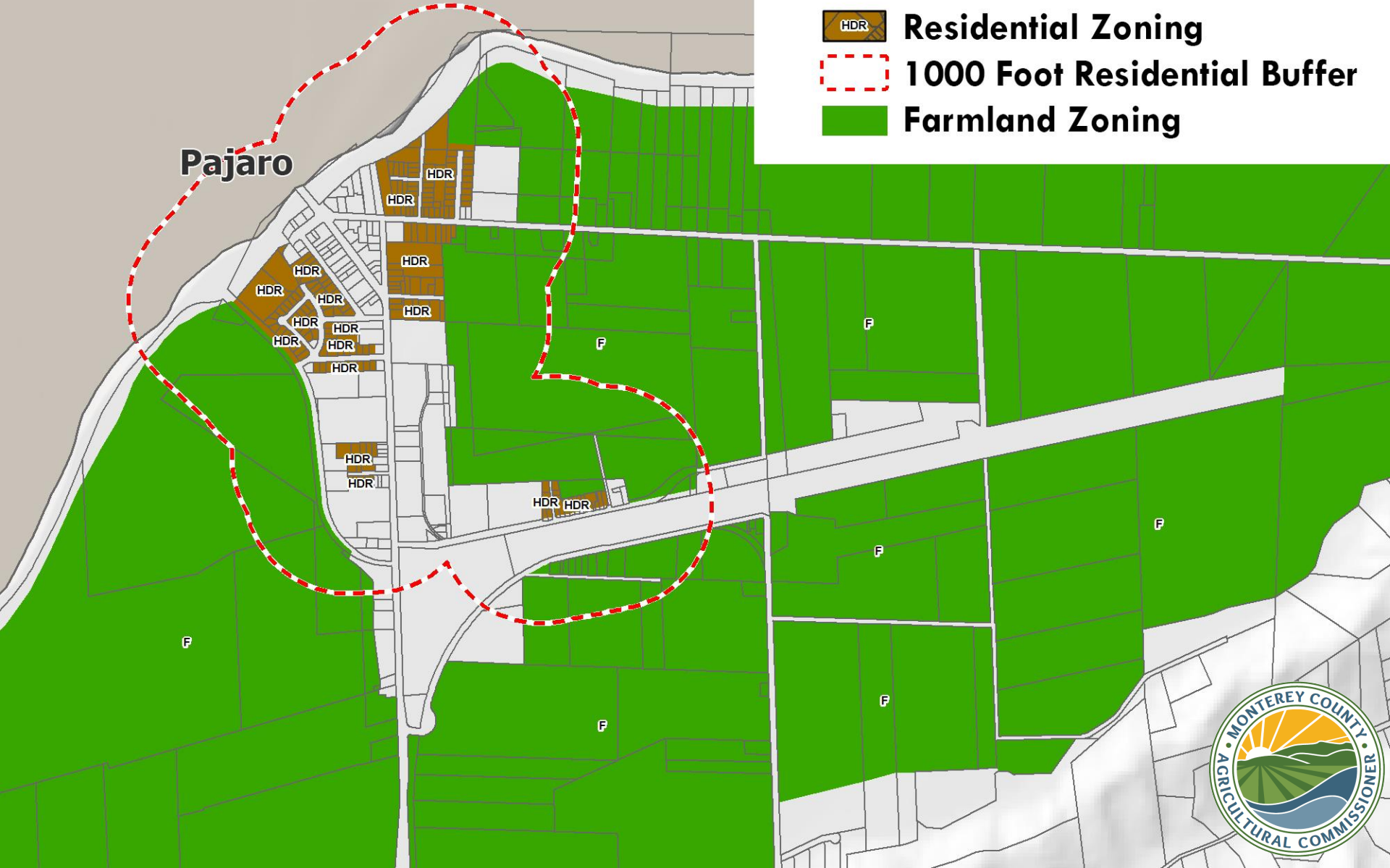


1000 Foot Residential Buffer



Farmland Zoning

Pajaro



Current (2019) HMP District

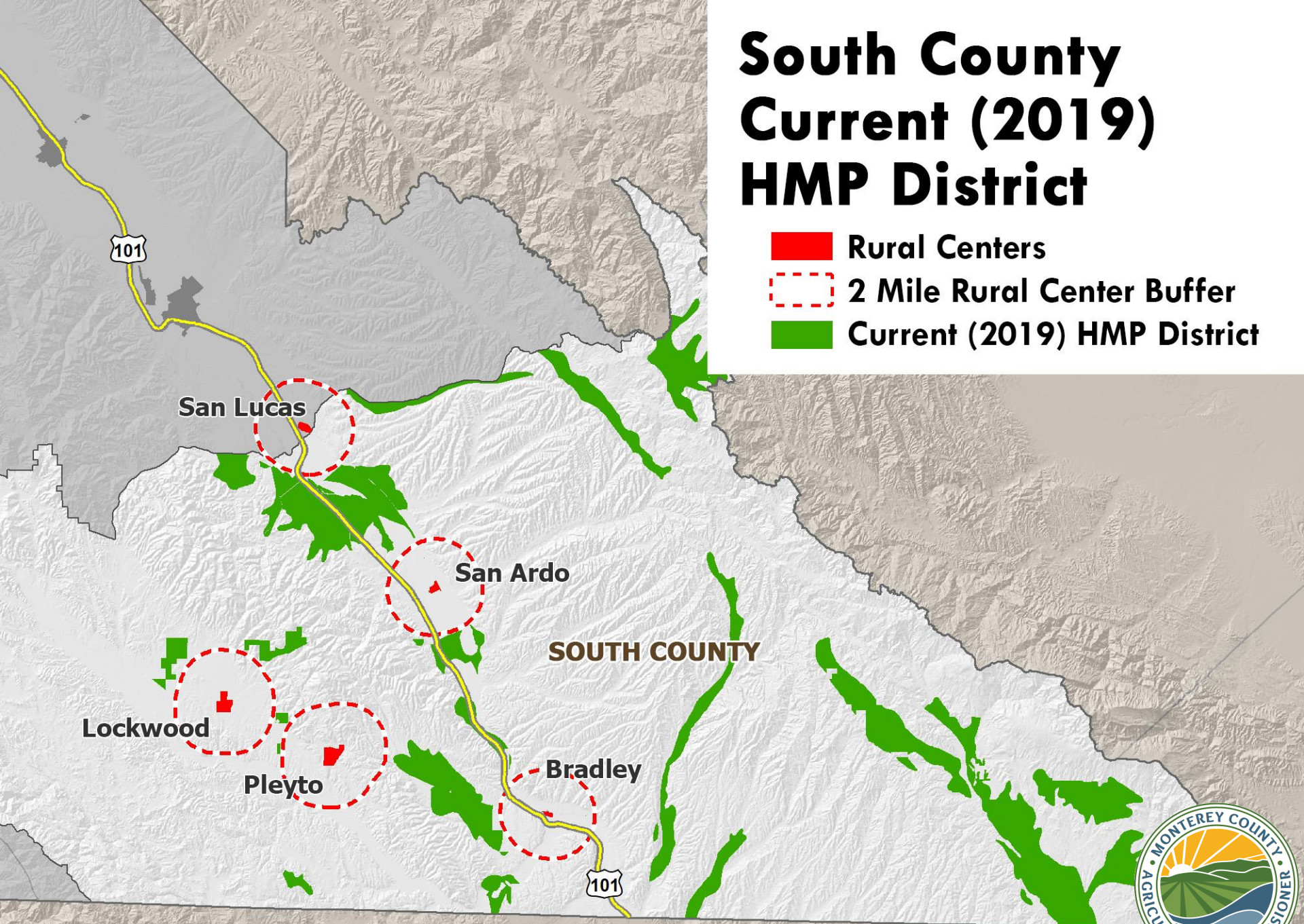
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Pajaro



South County Current (2019) HMP District

-  Rural Centers
-  2 Mile Rural Center Buffer
-  Current (2019) HMP District



Pilot Program Recommendations



- 1. Re-Open Registration -
Spring 2020**
- 2. Extend Length of
Program for 3-year
Period (2020-2022)**
- 3. Allow Split-Parcel Zoning**



Proposed HMP District Changes

-  1000 Foot Buffer
-  Portion of Farmland Split Parcels

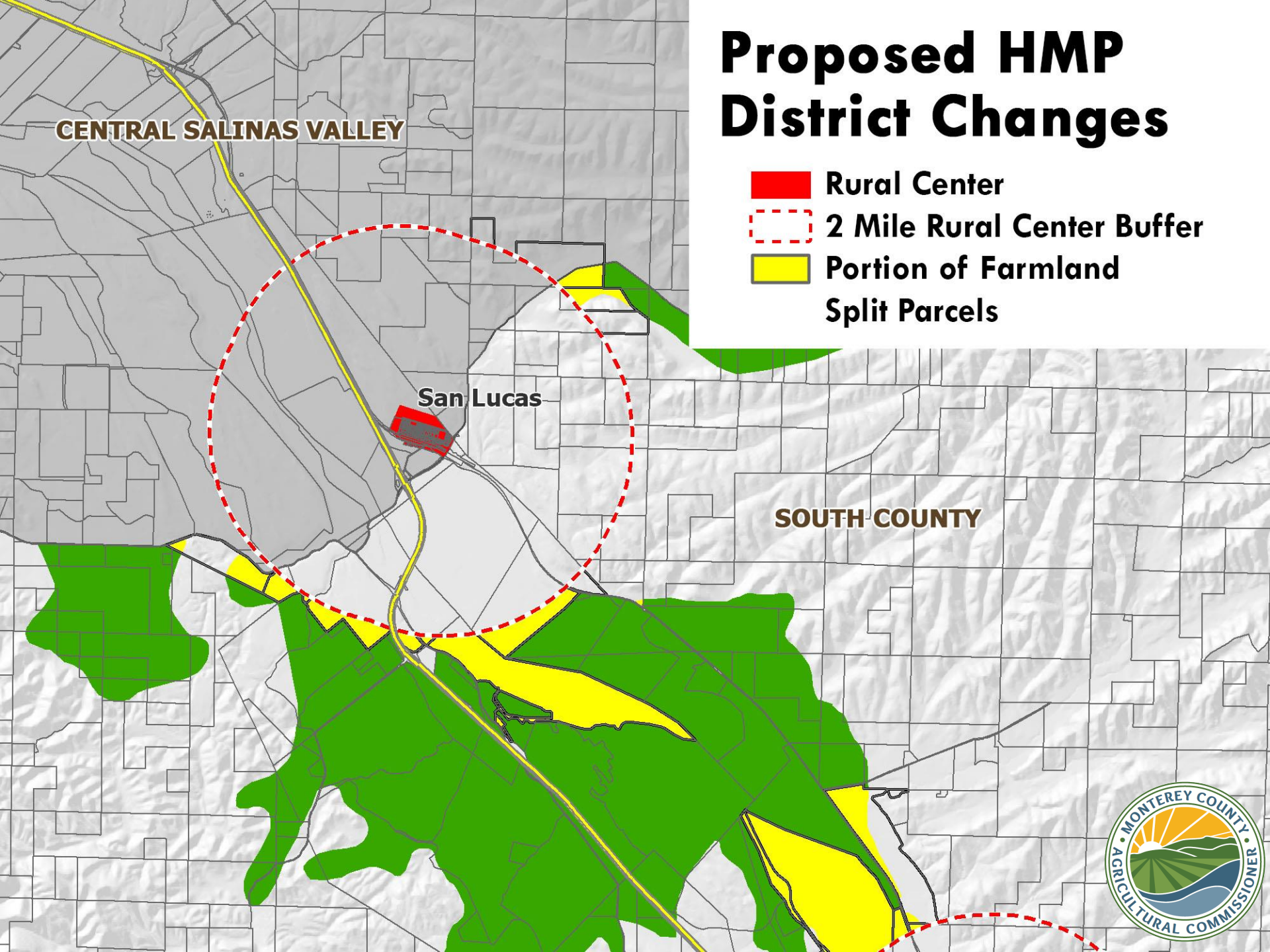
Pajaro

Permit Farmland Split Parcels
180 acres



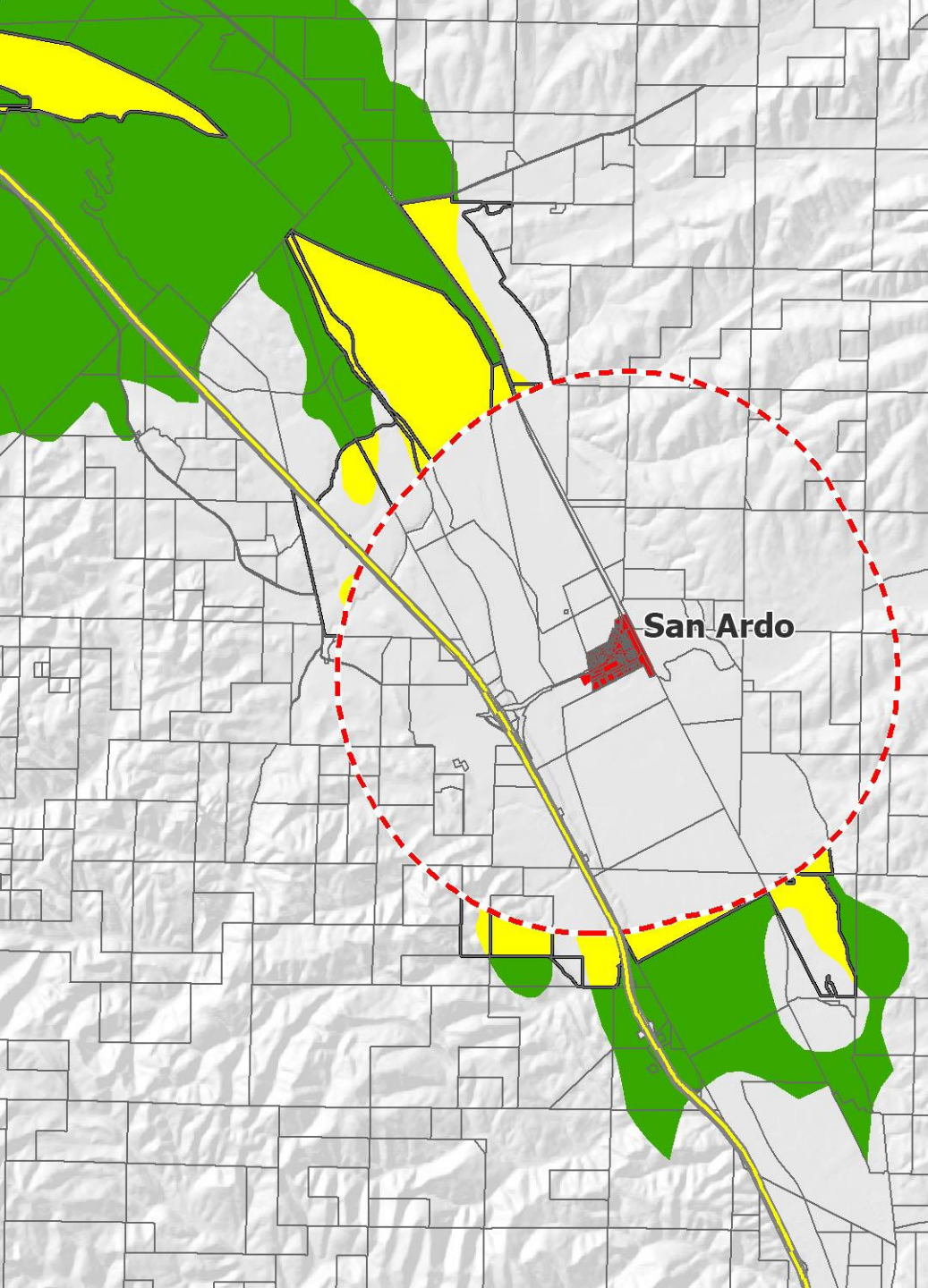
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-  Rural Center
-  2 Mile Rural Center Buffer
-  Portion of Farmland Split Parcels



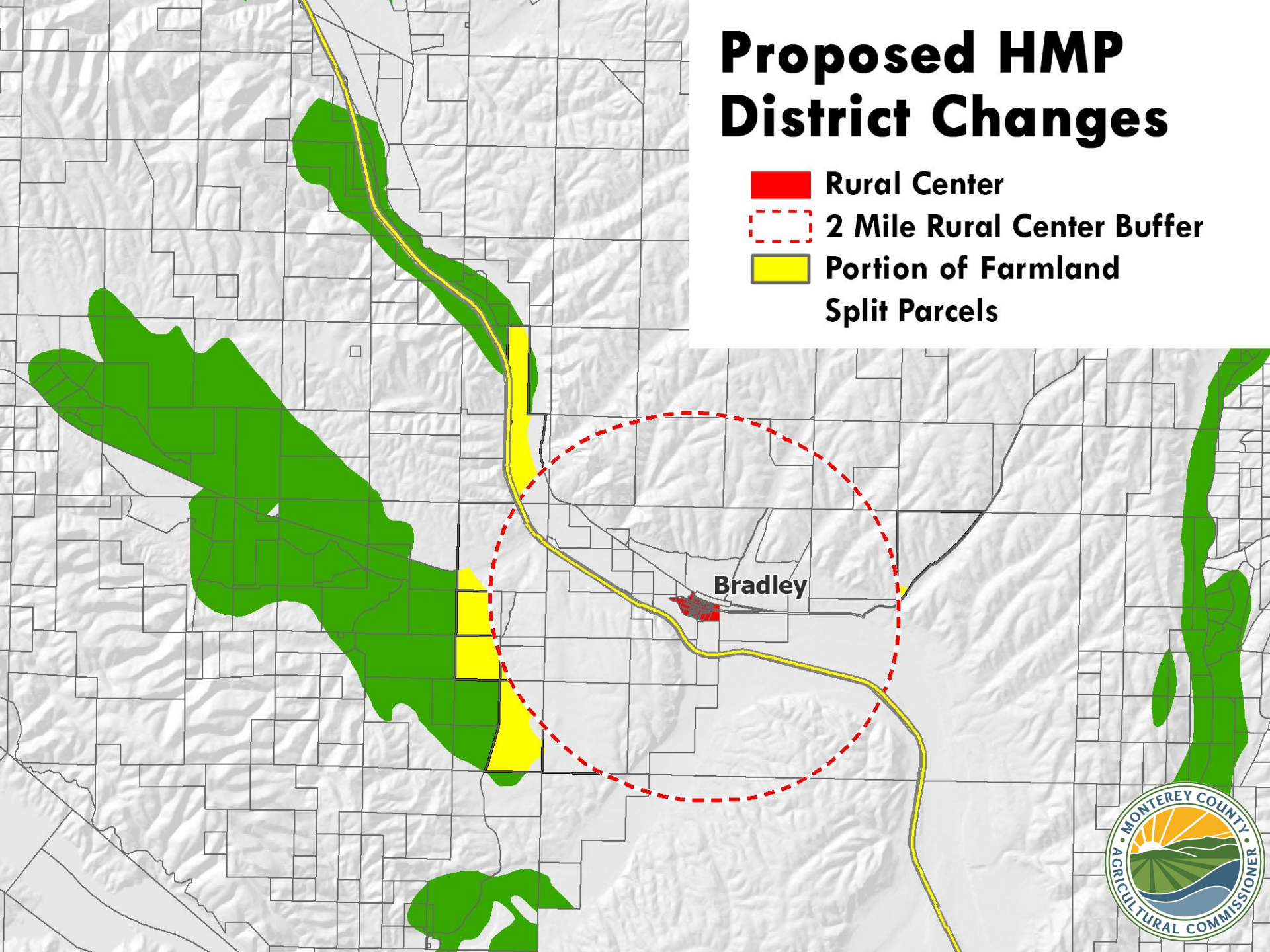
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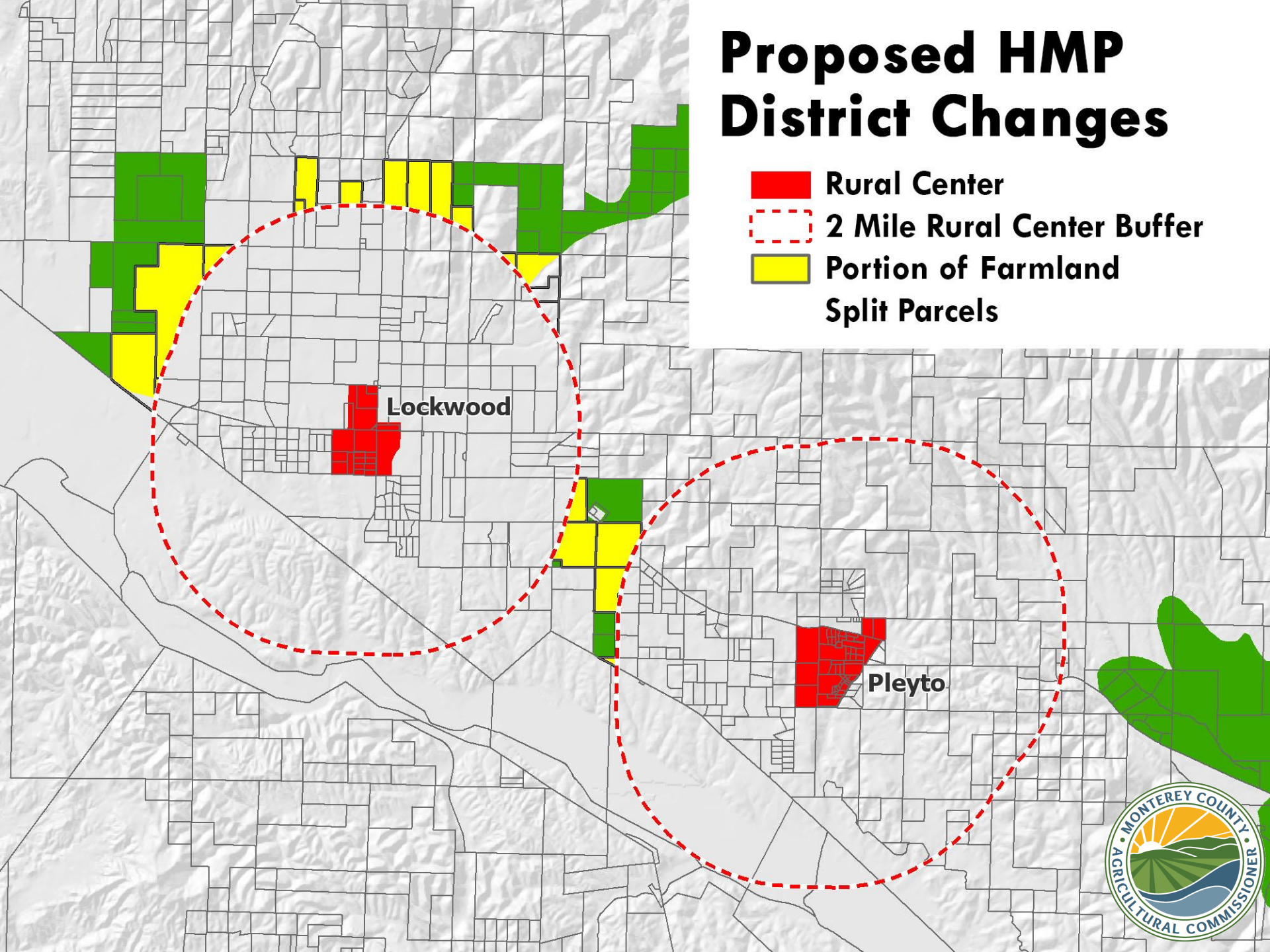
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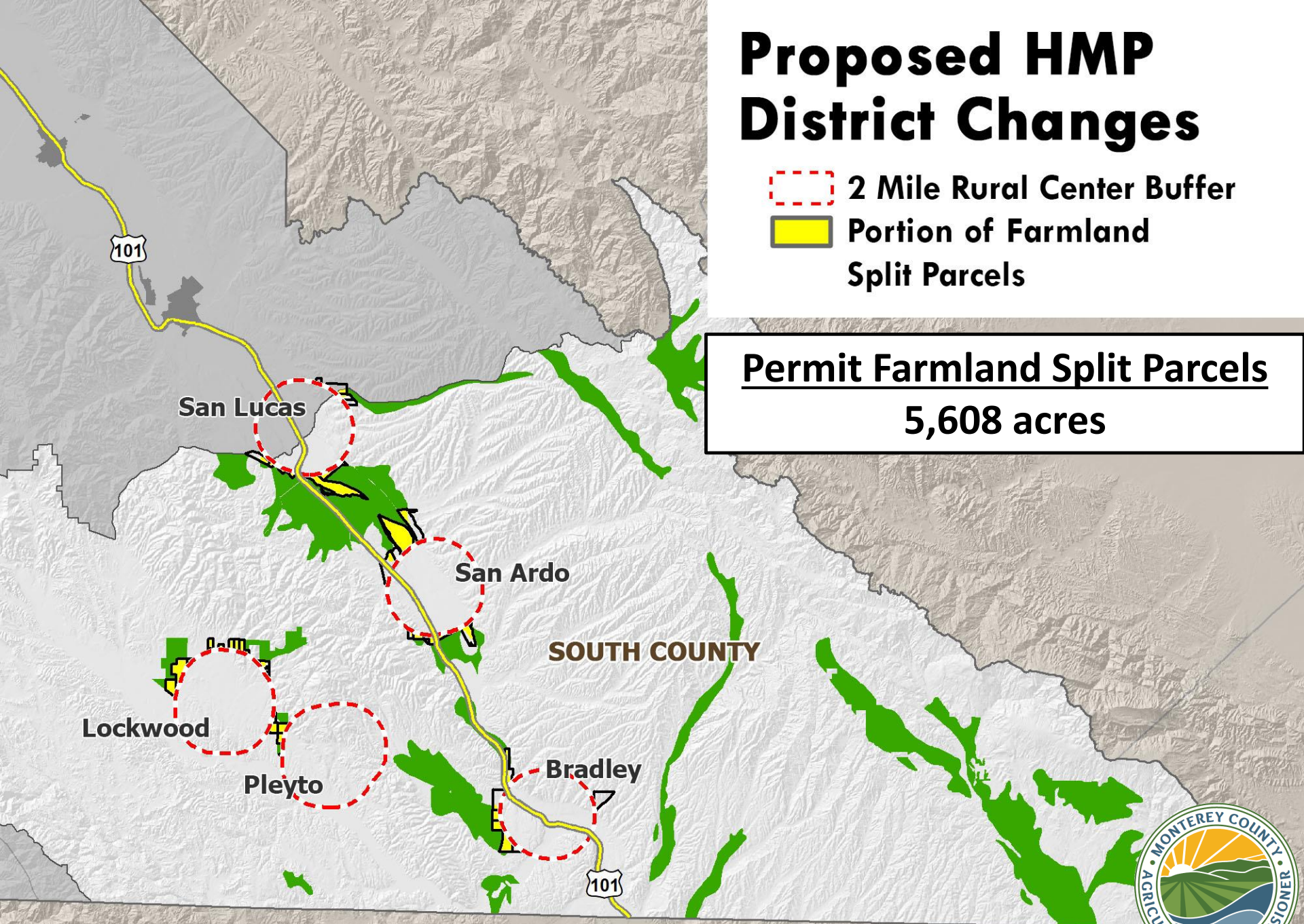
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Permit Farmland Split Parcels
5,608 acres



Planning Commission Recommendations



- Repeating the July 10, 2019 recommendation of the Planning Commission on the industrial hemp pilot program as reflected in Resolution No. 19-021
- Amend Buffer to a uniform 1,000 feet for all cities, Rural Centers and Community Areas
- Amend Zoning to include Rural Grazing and Permanent Grazing Districts in South County

Planning Commission Recommendations



- Amend to allow for Split Parcel Zoning for properties bisected by uniform buffer.
- Ensure Pilot Program remains Amendable and Adaptable
- Separate the discussion of Pilot Program from purview of Cannabis Standing Committee



QUESTIONS?