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105 East Anapamu Street
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Proposed Agricultural Study Session

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission receive this status report and provide direction as appropriate.

DISCUSSION

The staff understands that a “study session” is intended as an opportunity to receive information that is relevant and useful to the Commission in exercising its responsibilities. Since it is noticed as “No action will be taken” it provides background information not necessarily related to a specific pending application and no decisions are intended for that day. They can benefit not only the Commission but the general public as well.

At the February 5 meeting the Chair directed the staff to schedule a Commission discussion on the subject of agricultural preservation, especially in the Santa Maria Valley. We have been gathering ideas to help organize this session. We have talked with City of Santa Maria and County planning staffs and the County Agricultural Commissioner, and have asked other LAFCOs about similar programs they might have conducted.

No specific date has been determined, although given the subject matter it makes sense to conduct the study session when the Commission is meeting in Santa Maria.

Sincerely,

BOB BRAITMAN
Executive Officer