

Sample Resolution

RESOLUTION OF COUNTY OF _____ TO ESTABLISH A FARMLAND SECURITY ZONE AND ENTER INTO A FARMLAND SECURITY ZONE CONTRACT WITHIN SUCH FARM SECURITY ZONE

WHEREAS, the County of _____ desires to preserve its agricultural land base in order to maintain a viable agricultural production economy with-in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to discourage the premature and unnecessary conversion of agricultural land to urban uses and to enhance the predictability of the future of viable economic agricultural production units in the County for those engaged in agricultural production; and

WHEREAS, the County considers it is in the public interest to encourage the maintenance of a healthy and vibrant agricultural economy in the County and state to ensure adequate healthful and nutritious food for the current residents of the County and state and for generations yet unborn; and

WHEREAS, the County has actively participated in the state's California Land Conservation Act of 1965, known as the Williamson Act (at Chapter 7 of Title 5, Division 1, Part 1 commencing with Section 51200 of the Government Code); and

WHEREAS, as part of the Williamson Act program, the County has entered into many land conservation contracts with property owners in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to strengthen its agricultural land preservation program by participating in the state's new Farmland Security Zone program enacted by the State Legislature in 1998 at Article 7 commencing with Section 51296 of the Williamson Act which provides, among other things, for a longer contract term than the present rolling ten year term.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF _____ AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County establishes Farmland Security Zone No. _____ which encompasses the parcels described in Exhibit A, attached and incorporated by this reference.
2. The Owner(s) of Parcel(s) No. _____ on Exhibit A, who are now parties with the County under a Williamson Act Land Preservation Contract covering that parcel(s) request(s) that the contract be rescinded so that Owner(s) and County may enter into a Farmland Security Zone contract on the property.
3. The County agrees to the contract rescission requested and agrees to enter into the requested Farmland Security Zone contract.

ON THE MOTION OF Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, the foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of

Supervisors of the County of _____, State of California, this ____ day of _____, 1999, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST

Clerk, _____ County
Board of Supervisors