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Karen Ross, Secretary
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TO:

Honorable Board of Supervisors
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I am pleased to submit the 2012 Agricultural Crop Production Report for Placer County in compliance with Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code. Also included is the Sustainable Agriculture Report in accordance with Section 2272 of the Code.

Placer County's total gross value of agricultural crops and products for 2012 was **\$73,197,000**. This represents an increase of \$5,638,769, or 8.3% above 2011's value of \$67,558,231. This report reflects the gross value of agricultural crops and products and not the net income producers receive.

Commodity prices for rice remained stable in 2012 and with 15,887 acres in production it was again Placer County's number one crop with a gross value of \$22,382,000. Cattle and Calves were number two in total value at \$11,894,000 followed by Nursery Stock with total value of \$7,178,700. Walnuts ranked as Placer County's fourth most valuable crop with a gross value of \$3,566,000. Timber rounded out the top five crops with a total value of \$3,300,000.

The Placer County Agricultural Commissioner's Office expresses its appreciation for the cooperation of all the growers, organizations and individuals who provided the information necessary for this report, as well as UCCE Farm Advisor Roger Ingram and to Deputy Agricultural Commissioner Ed King, who coordinated and compiled this report.

Respectfully submitted,



Joshua P. Huntsinger
 Agricultural Commissioner/
 Sealer of Weights and Measures

COMPARISON SUMMARY

<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Fruit & Nut Crops	\$ 7,738,000	\$ 6,168,167	\$ 6,419,206	\$6,795,268	\$7,062,246
Field Crops	\$ 30,700,000	\$ 24,575,064	\$34,213,673	\$33,075,940	\$21,694,053
Vegetable Crops	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$800,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 558,225
Livestock/Poultry	\$ 21,520,000	\$ 20,087,757	\$ 12,908,482	\$17,632,000	\$ 18,410,609
Livestock/Poultry Products	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$1,500,000	\$ 2,509,968
Nursery Products	\$7,178,000	\$8,667,785	\$5,048,712	\$6,901,690	\$ 9,241,108
Apiary Products	\$ 60,000	\$ 50,120	\$ 39,601	\$76,250	\$ 86,400
Subtotals	<u>\$69,746,000</u>	<u>\$62,148,893</u>	<u>\$61,029,674</u>	<u>\$66,481,148</u>	<u>\$52,380,552</u>
Gross Timber Harvest/Christmas Trees	\$3,451,000	\$5,409,338	\$4,659,958	\$782,451	\$3,742,219
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 73,197,000	\$ 67,558,231	\$ 65,689,632	\$ 67,263,599	\$ 63,304,828

TOP FIVE CROPS FOR 2012

<u>CROP</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
1. Rice	\$ 22,382,000
2. Cattle and Calves	\$ 11,894,000
3. Nursery Stock	\$ 7,178,000
4. Walnuts	\$ 3,566,000
5. Timber	\$ 3,300,000

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>			<u>VALUE</u>		
		<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PER ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Apples	2012	47	5.40	253	Ton	\$ 559	\$ 146,000
	2011	43	4.55	190	Ton	\$ 1400	\$ 265,364
Grapes, Wine	2012	197	3.55	699	Ton	\$ 1,210	\$ 769,000
	2011	190	1.94	368	Ton	\$ 1,036	\$ 400,704
Prune	2012	0	—	—	Ton	\$ —	\$ —
	2011	152	1.93	293	Ton	\$ 1,170	\$ 343,818
Oranges, Mandarins	2012	190	5.27	1013	Ton	\$ 2,100	\$ 1,611,000
	2011	190	4.01	754	Ton	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,315,698
Peaches	2012	86	2.73	221	Ton	\$ 1,530	\$ 338,000
	2011	86	1.42	114	Ton	\$ 1,717	\$ 201,249
Pears, All	2012	15	2.65	40	Ton	\$ 2,440	\$ 96,000
	2011	21	2.11	42	Ton	\$ 2,017	\$ 86,537
Plums	2012	47	1.00	46	Ton	\$ 2,220	\$ 103,000
	2011	117	1.62	177	Ton	\$ 567	\$ 100,160
Strawberries	2012	34	1,000	34,000	Flat	\$ 18	\$ 612,000
	2011	37	1,000	34,888	Flat	\$ 18	\$ 628,000
Walnuts	2012	829	1.96	1,620	Ton	\$ 2,200	\$ 3,566,000
	2011	820	1.83	1,500	Ton	\$ 1,652	\$ 2,476,393
Miscellaneous Fruits and Nuts*	2012						\$ 497,000
	2011						\$ 350,244
TOTAL	2012						\$ 7,738,000
TOTAL	2011						\$ 6,168,167

*Miscellaneous Fruit and Nut Crops include apricots, berries, cherries, kiwi, nectarines, persimmons, chestnuts, pecans and pistachios.

APIARY PRODUCTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Apiary Products*	2012	\$ 60,000
	2011	\$ 50,120

*Apiary Products include honey, package bees, queens, pollination, and wax.

VEGETABLE CROPS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Miscellaneous Vegetable Crops*	2012	\$ 1,250,000
	2011	\$ 1,000,000

*Miscellaneous Vegetable Crops include melons, peppers, pumpkins, squash, and tomatoes (fresh).

NURSERY PRODUCTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Nursery Stock	2012	\$ 7,178,000
Nursery Stock	2011	\$ 8,667,785

FIELD CROPS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>			<u>VALUE</u>		
		<u>HARVESTED ACREAGE</u>	<u>PER ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hay, Grain	2012	743	3.63	2,643	Ton	\$ 144	\$ 389,000
	2011	536	1.80	916	Ton	\$ 129	\$ 119,882
Pasture, Irrigated	2012	18,000			Acre	\$ 150	\$ 2,700,000
	2011	18,000			Acre	\$ 140	\$ 2,520,000
Pasture, Other	2012	130,000			Acre	\$ 20	\$ 2,600,000
	2011	130,000			Acre	\$ 18	\$ 2,340,000
Rice	2012	15,887	3.93	62,186	Ton	\$ 349	\$ 22,382,000
	2011	14,125	3.81	53,793	Ton	\$ 352	\$ 17,909,400
Wheat	2012	1,305	2.58	3,370	Ton	\$ 234	\$ 787,000
	2011	1,714	2.40	3,847	Ton	\$ 230	\$ 887,133
Miscellaneous Field Crops*	2012	1,163					\$ 1,842,000
	2011	963					\$ 798,649
TOTAL	2012						\$ 30,700,000
TOTAL	2011						\$ 24,575,064

*Miscellaneous Field Crops include alfalfa, corn for fodder, and oats

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		<u>VALUE</u>		
		<u>NO. OF HEAD</u>	<u>TOTAL LIVEWEIGHT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Cattle and Calves	2012	14,400	100,800	cwt.	\$ 118.00	\$ 11,894,000
	2011	14,500	101,500	cwt.	\$ 111.00	\$ 11,266,500
Sheep	2012	9,000	9,900	cwt.	\$ 100.00	\$ 990,000
	2011	4,000	4,800	cwt.	\$ 130.00	\$ 624,000
Other Livestock*	2012					\$ 8,636,000
	2011					\$ 8,197,257
TOTAL	2012					\$ 21,520,000
TOTAL	2011					\$ 20,087,757

*Other Livestock includes chickens, fish, turkeys, and swine.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Miscellaneous Livestock and Poultry Products*	2012	\$ 1,300,000
	2011	\$ 1,600,000

*Miscellaneous Livestock and Poultry Products includes milk, eggs, and wool.

GROSS TIMBER HARVEST AND CHRISTMAS TREES

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Timber	2012	20,951,000	bd. ft.	\$ 3,300,000
Timber	2011	28,703,000	bd. ft.	\$ 5,254,389
Christmas Trees	2012			\$ 151,000
	2011			\$ 154,949

2012 ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE REPORT

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL MEASURES		
<u>PEST</u>	<u>CONTROL AGENT</u>	<u>SCOPE OF PROGRAM</u>
Citrus Red Scale	Parasitic Wasp	Numerous
Italian Thistle	Seed Head Weevil	Numerous
Klamathweed	Hypericum Beetle	Numerous
Puncturevine	Seed and Stem Weevil	Numerous
Red Gum Lerp Psyllid	Parasitic Wasp	Numerous
Skeletonweed	Gall Mite	Numerous
Skeletonweed	Rust	Numerous
Yellow Starthistle	Flower Weevil	Numerous
Yellow Starthistle	Hairy Weevil	Numerous
Yellow Starthistle	Bud Weevil	Numerous
Yellow Starthistle	Rust	Three Release Sites
Yellow Starthistle	False Peacock Fly	Numerous

PEST EXCLUSION		
<u>SHIPMENTS PROFILED</u>	<u>SHIPMENT INSPECTIONS</u>	<u>SHIPMENTS REJECTED</u>
33,803*	0**	22

* Includes inspection of incoming shipments which may harbor prohibited insects, weeds, plant diseases, amphibians, etc. and inspection of plant and outdoor-related items for new residents moving from areas known to be infested with Gypsy Moth or Japanese Beetle.

**Includes "A" and "Q" rated insects, weeds, and diseases.

DETECTION TRAPPING	
<u>PEST</u>	<u>NUMBER OF TRAPS DEPLOYED</u>
Gypsy Moth	228
Light Brown Apple Moth	182
Japanese Beetle	78
Mediterranean Fruit Fly	172
Melon Fruit Fly	48
Oriental Fruit Fly	48
Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter	400
European Grapevine Moth	30
Asian Citrus Psyllid	256

REGISTERED ORGANIC FARMS		
<u>CROPS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF FARMS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
Various	24	4,075

CERTIFIED PRODUCERS
 Placer County issued 59 Certified Producer's Certificates

Ever thought about eating local? Local produce can be picked when it is ripe and ready to eat, travels less distance to the market, arrives fresher and tastes better. Buying locally grown produce and meat products gives people an opportunity to know the farmer or rancher that has produced the food and to understand what it takes to bring these products directly to the customer. Customer support of the local food system helps sustain the rural community where agricultural production occurs and maintains the rural quality of life that benefits everyone. Make it a point this year to know where your food comes from and buy local, in-season produce.



**PLACER COUNTY
 AGRICULTURAL
 CROP REPORT
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