



VENTURA COUNTY

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee



Scott Deardorff, Chair, District 1; Patty Martinez, District 2; Lisa Tate, Vice-Chair, District 3; Josh Waters, District 4; Bobby Jones, District 5

NOTICE OF MEETING

A MEETING OF THE VENTURA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (APAC) will be held on Wednesday, September 11th at 9:00 a.m. at 555 Airport Way, Suite E, Camarillo.

Public participation in this meeting is available in via Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER: *Please turn off cell phones at this time.*
2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
3. CORRESPONDENCE:
4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: A motion may be made to continue an item or revise the order of items to be discussed, etc.
6. PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may comment on topics not appearing on the agenda. (Five-minute time limit.)
7. CONSENT CALENDAR: These are routine matters that may be approved on a motion and vote, without discussion.

A. Minutes of the August 14, 2024 Meeting

8. PRESENTATION/ACTION:

- A. Maureen McGuire of the Farm Bureau of Ventura County will provide an update on FBVC programs and activities and items of importance to Ventura County agriculture.**
- B. Ventura County Sheriff's Homeless Liaison Unit Overview.**
- C. Chief Assistant County Counsel Jeff Barnes will present an overview of the Ventura County Save our Open space and Agricultural Resources (SOAR) Ordinance.**
- D. Andre Biscaro, Irrigation and Water Resources Advisor, will present an update on UCCE and Hansen REC programs and activities.**
- E. Staff presentation of a draft a letter of support from APAC for CSUCI's formulation of a Sustainable Agriculture degree for APAC approval.**
- F. Agriculture/Weights & Measures staff will present a department update on activities and programs important to Ventura County agriculture.**

9. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. APAC Members.

i. Proposals for future agenda items

(a) From previous meeting:

- A staff presentation of a draft a letter of support from APAC for CSUCI's formulation of a Sustainable Agriculture degree.**
- A report back from staff regarding the requested cancelation of LCA Contract 9-14.1.**
- An introductory presentation from VCSO Homeless Liaison Unit.**
- A review of the Ventura County SOAR Ordinance.**
- A presentation from VC Watershed Protection District regarding who is responsible for waterway maintenance.**
- A presentation from VCAILG staff on the group's activities, membership, and regulatory requirements of membership.**
- A presentation on the emergence of e-commerce as a under-regulated mover of plant materials and agro-chemicals**

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- A presentation from CDFA and/or USDA staff on work being done to identify and prevent the entry of potential pests to California agriculture.

ii. Other

B. Staff

iii. Proposals for future agenda items

(b) From previous meeting:

- Review of the Ventura County Agricultural/Urban Buffer policy

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates:

10. ADJOURN.

INSTRUCTIONS:

To attend the meeting via Zoom, please use the following link:

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