



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, April 9th 2025 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 February 12, 2024 Meeting
8. PRESENTATION/ACTION:
 - A. Agriculture/Weights & Measures Environmental Resource Analyst, Alec Thille, will present an overview of the application process and requirements of the Land Conservation Act (LCA) program.

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- B. Maureen McGuire, CEO of the Farm Bureau of Ventura County, will present an update on agricultural issues and FBVC activities.**
- C. Dr. Annemiek Schilder, Director of Hansen Agricultural Research and Extension Center, will present an update on UCCE and Hansen REC programs and activities.**
- D. 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 presentation from VC Watersheds on the 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**
- **A presentation from CDFA and/or USDA staff on work being done to identify and prevent the entry of potential pests to California agriculture.**
- **A presentation regarding Heat Illness prevention and regulation**
- **A presentation from the Farmworker Resource Program.**
- **A presentation on how agricultural operations can reduce wildfire spread and damage**
- **A presentation on how agricultural operations can protect and promote native species and habitats.**
- **A presentation from 805 UndocuFund regarding Boarder Control/ICE activity in Ventura County.**
- **Report back on efforts to procure federal funds for an agricultural dog detection team.**

ii. Other

B. Staff

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- **Review of the Ventura County Agricultural/Urban Buffer policy**
- **A California Department of Pesticide Regulation presentation regarding the IPM Roadmap**
- **Review of the Ventura County 'Mulch Ordinance'**

ii. Other

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates:

10. ADJOURN.

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