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## MEETING PACKET

**Date:**                    **Monday, March 14, 2016**  
**Time:**                   **7:30 p.m.**  
**Place:**                  **San Mateo County Farm Bureau Office**  
                                 **765 Main Street, Half Moon Bay, California**

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## AGENDA

1.      **Call to Order**
2.      **Member Roll Call**
3.      **Guest Roll Call**
4.      Public Announcements/Comments for Items Not on the Agenda
5.      Farmland Futures Initiative (Ben Wright, POST)
6.      Consideration of the Action Minutes for the February 8, 2016, regular meeting
7.      **Adjournment**

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## ROLL SHEET – February 8, 2016

Agricultural Advisory Committee Attendance 2015-2016

	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>VOTING MEMBERS</b>													
Brenda Bonner	M	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	M	M	M	X	
BJ Burns	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	E	E	E	X	
Robert Cevasco	E	E	X		X	X		X	E	E	E		
Louie Figone	T	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	T	T	T	X	
Marilyn Johnson	I			X	X	X		X	I	I	I	X	
Teresa Kurtak	N								N	N	N	X	
Peter Marchi	G	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	G	G	G	X	
Doniga Markegard		X		X	X			X				X	
Robert Marsh	C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	C	C	C	X	
April Vargas	A	X	X	X	E	X	X	X	A	A	A	X	
Vacant	N								N	N	N		
<b>STAFF</b>													
Natural Resource Conservation Staff	C								C	C	C		
San Mateo County Agricultural Commissioner	E	E	X	X	X	X		X	E	E	E	X	
Farm Bureau Executive Director	L								L	L	L	X	
San Mateo County Planning Staff	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	E	E	E	X	
UC Co-Op Extension Representative	D							X	D	D	D	X	



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## Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting February 8, 2016

**1. Call to Order**

Robert Marsh, Committee Chairman, called the Regular Meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) to order at 7:04 p.m. at the San Mateo County Farm Bureau Conference Room in Half Moon Bay, California.

**2. Member Roll Call**

Robert Marsh, AAC Chairman, called the roll. A quorum (a majority of the voting members) was present, as follows:

Regular Voting Members Present

Brenda Bonner  
BJ Burns (arrived 7:13)  
Louie Figone  
Marilyn Johnson (arrived 7:26)  
Teresa Kurtak  
Peter Marchi (arrived 7:06)  
Doniga Markegard  
Robert Marsh  
April Vargas

Regular Voting Members Absent

Robert Cevalco

Nonvoting Members Present

Jess Brown  
Fred Crowder  
Virginia Lj Bolshakova  
Steven Rosen

Nonvoting Members Absent

Jim Howard

**3. Guest Roll Call**

Guests Present

Adria Arko  
Kerry Burke

Lorene Burns  
Kellyx Nelson  
Michael Salmieri  
Dante Silvestri  
Ben Wright

**4. Public Announcements/Comments for Items not on the Agenda**

7:06 None.

**5. Consideration of a Coastal Development Permit and a Planned Agricultural Permit, pursuant to Sections 6328.4 and 6353 of the San Mateo County Zoning Regulations, to amend the existing Farm Labor Housing permit to add one new Farm Labor Housing unit. The property is located in the unincorporated San Gregorio area of San Mateo County. The project is appealable to the CA Coastal Commission. County File Number: PLN2011-00088**

7:06 Steven Rosen of the San Mateo County Planning Department presented the staff report.

7:09 Bob Marsh disagreed with the Planning Department's judgment that the project required an exception from the Williamson Act standards and distributed a handout explaining his rationale.

7:15 Kerry Burke, representing the applicant, described the agricultural operations.

7:18 Peter Marchi moved that, in the event that an exception to the Williamson Act program requirements is necessary, the exception be approved due to the amount of ongoing farming on the site, and also that the exception is not required. April Vargas seconded the motion. The AAC approved it unanimously.

7:22 The AAC discussed the farm labor housing unit. BJ Burns stated that it is necessary and in a good location on the property. The AAC discussed what would happen in the event that the use were discontinued.

7:26 BJ Burns moved to recommend approval of the farm labor housing unit. Louie Figone seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6. Consideration of a Coastal Development Permit and a Planned Agricultural Permit, pursuant to Sections 6328.4 and 6353 of the San Mateo County Zoning Regulations, to convert an existing agricultural well to domestic water source to serve an existing residence on the property. The property is located in the unincorporated Pescadero area of San Mateo County. The project is**

**appealable to the CA Coastal Commission. County File Number:  
PLN2015-00517**

- 7:27 Steven Rosen presented the staff report.
- 7:29 Kerry Burke, representing the applicant, discussed the project.
- 7:30 Peter Marchi moved to recommend approval of the item.
- 7:31 The AAC discussed the project.
- 7:36 Teresea Kurtak seconded the motion to recommend approval. The AAC approved the item unanimously.

**Discussion not on the Agenda:**

- 7:37 Kerry Burke discussed the Farmland Futures Initiative. Ben Wright discussed it further. Bob Marsh directed the Planning Department to add the Farmland Futures Initiative and other Peninsula Open Space Trust discussion items to the agenda for the March meeting.
- 7:43 The AAC posed questions to Ben Wright of POST about POST lands.
- 7. Consideration of the Action Minutes for the October 13, 2015, regular meeting.**
- 7:47 BJ Burns moved to adopt the minutes. Doniga Markegard seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Adjournment**