

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

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SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA <u>February 4, 2009; 1:00 p.m.</u> Board of Supervisors Meeting Room 330 Fair Lane - Building A, Placerville, California

Public testimony will be received on each agenda item as it is called. The applicant is allocated 10 minutes to speak; individual comments are limited to 3 minutes; and individuals representing a group are allocated 5 minutes.

Items not on the agenda may be addressed by the general public during Public Forum. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person. The Commission reserves the right to waive said rules by a majority vote. Public Forum is for comments only. No action will be taken on these items unless they are scheduled on a future agenda.

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NOTICE: All Agricultural Commission Administrative Relief decisions pertaining to AGRICULTURAL SETBACKS may file an application with the Board of Supervisors within 10 days of the decision. Such applications shall be made to the Development Services Department.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. PUBLIC FORUM
- IV. Discussion and possible action regarding the State Water Quality Control Board implementation of the Proposed Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Regulations (Assembly Bill 855 Jackson Statutes of 2000) Danny Merkley, Director of Water Resources, CA Farm Bureau Federation

State and local perspectives regarding proposed OWTS regulations and their agricultural/rural impacts. Assembly Bill 885 (Jackson - Onsite sewage treatment systems) was signed into law by Governor Gray Davis in 2000. The law required the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), on or before January 1, 2004, in consultation with other agencies, the counties, cities, and other interested parties, to adopt, specified regulations or standards for the permitting and operation of prescribed onsite sewage treatment systems that meet certain requirements. The SWRCB has now proposed the implementation of statewide regulations that will significantly impact rural areas with minimal benefits.

V. ADJOURNMENT