



Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC)

ACTION MINUTES

Location:	Agricultural Commissioner's Office Ag Center Conference Room 1428 Abbott Street Salinas, CA 93901	
Date:	September 26, 2019	
Time:	2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	
Present:	<i>Committee Members</i>	<i>Staff</i>
	Jocelyn Bridson Bill Lipe, Chair Sherwood Darington Matt Shea Alex Eastman Dennis Sites Kurt Gollnick Scott Storm Erik Heacox Scott Violini	Nadia Garcia, Associate Planner Mary Perry, Deputy County Counsel Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner Jose Chang, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner Shandy Carroll, Ag Resources & Policy Manager Kathy Nielsen, Administrative Secretary-CNF
Absent:	Nick Huntington, Kirk Williams	

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lipe at 2:30 p.m.

II. Consent

A. **Committee Business**

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B. **Resource Management Agency – Gonzalez**

~~Son Pham Gallardo~~ Nadia Garcia, Associate Planner

- Planning File No.: PLN180375
- Project Location: 36370 Mile End Road, Soledad (Central Salinas Valley Area Plan)
- APN: 165-063-007-000
- Project Description: Variance request to exceed maximum allowable coverage of 5% to allow the construction of a residential garage/workshop.

Action Requested: Recommend approval to the Monterey County Zoning Administrator.

C. **Resource Management Agency – Echenique**

~~Kenny Taylor~~ Nadia Garcia, Associate Planner

- Planning File No.: PLN180527
- Project Location: Located approximately 1 ¼ miles west of Lockwood San Lucas Road, near King City (South County)
- APNs: 421-121-027; 028; and 029

- Project Description: Echenique Ranch Lot Line Adjustment (LLA) between three legal lots of record under Williamson Act contract.

Action Requested: Recommend approval to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Member Gollnick, seconded by Committee Member Eastman, and passed by the following vote to approve Consent Items A through C.

AYES: Bridson, Darington, Eastman, Gollnick, Heacox, Lipe, Shea, Sites, Storm and Violini

NOES: None

ABSENT: Huntington and Williams

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IV. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE

Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner

- Monterey County Emergency Ordinance for cultivation of industrial hemp;
- Submitted ag buffer recommendations for the Mira Monte Annexation (single residential housing) as requested by the City of Greenfield and LAFCO;
- Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP): 307 nymphs and 164 adults have been found in a Soledad mobile home park.
- The head lettuce and salad products ordinance repeal is scheduled for 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, October 15, before the Board of Supervisors.

V. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY - PLANNING

Nadia Garcia, Associate Planner

- Project Title: Silva- Orchard Expansion
- Planning File No.: PLN170049
- Project Location: 32430 Sanchez Rd, Soledad (Central Salinas Valley Area Plan)
- APN: 417-131-043-000
- Project Description: Administrative Permit to clear Code Enforcement violation (16CE00323) for after-the-fact development of 1.28 acres on slopes of 25% or greater on previously uncultivated land for the purpose of expanding agricultural operation for lemon orchard and for the proposal to further expand three additional areas of 1.99, 0.86, and 0.33 acres of new cultivated area for lemon and avocado orchards; and after-the-fact tree removal of one (1) Coast live oak.

Action Requested: Recommend approval to the RMA Chief of Planning.

Associate Planner Nadia Garcia presented the project and answered questions.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Member Gollnick, seconded by Committee Member Storm, and passed by the following vote to recommend approval of this project to the RMA Chief of Planning.

AYES: Bridson, Darington, Eastman, Gollnick, Heacox, Lipe, Shea, Sites, Storm and Violini

NOES: None

ABSENT: Huntington and Williams

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Robert's Rules of Order

County Counsel provided information on making motions.

B. Attendance

Committee members were provided with the FY 2018-19 attendance record. The bylaws regarding vacancies were reviewed.

C. Appointments

- Tony Marci will be representing the California Strawberry Commission as a member of the Agricultural Advisory Committee.
- Members also were provided with information on their term expirations and ethics training status.

VIII. AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Committee Member Violini advised of excessive trash along River Road left by agricultural vehicles carrying packing materials or towing restrooms.

Ag Commissioner Gonzales advised of the need to continue educating people. The department is planning a Farm Labor Contractor Outreach event to take place next spring. This also can be added to the restricted permit requirement list.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. by Chair Lipe.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Nielsen

Agricultural Commissioner's Office