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and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors, County of Sutter

Pursuant to Section 2279 of the California Food and Agriculture Code, I am pleased to submit the 1992 Agricultural Crop Report for the acreage, production and value of agricultural crops and products of Sutter County.

The gross valuation of all agricultural products totaled \$285,622,700, a 6.2% increase from the 1991 total of \$268,941,900.

Fruit and Nut Crops as a group lead all other commodity categories with a production value totaling of \$115,187,500. Rice leads all individual crops countywide in both acreage planted and in value at \$67,239,800. Prunes retained the number two position with production totaling \$44,364,700. Large value gains were recorded for Seed Crops including cantaloupe, honeydew, pumpkin, rice, safflower and watermelons. Apiary Products experienced a significant value decrease in 1992. The number of colonies available for pollinations declined by 50% and the value dropped \$6.80 per colony.

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Sincerely submitted,

Stacy K. Carlsen
Agricultural Commissioner

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Mr. Calhoun was involved in the tomato and peach industry for over 40 years, and since retirement has become an avid and accomplished photographer.

The photo shows the most prominent landmark in Sutter County, the Sutter Buttes. The Buttes are visible for many miles in all directions as they rise abruptly from the valley floor to a height of nearly 2000 feet.

**FRUIT & NUT CROPS
ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE**

CROP	YEAR	BEARING ACRES	PER ACRE	TOTAL UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Almonds, Meats	1992	3,561	0.50	1,781 Tons	2,396.56	4,268,300
	1991	3,476	0.41	1,425 Tons	2,137.00	3,045,200
Almonds, Hulls	1992			445 Tons	45.00	20,000
	1991			356 Tons	54.00	19,200
Apples	1992	376	19.99	7,516 Tons	473.75	3,560,700
	1991	281	12.00	3,372 Tons	219.00	738,500
Bushberries*	1992	1	1.00	1 Tons	1,240.00	1,200
	1991	1	1.00	1 Tons	1,240.00	1,200
Cherries	1992	79	0.45	36 Tons	1,705.00	61,400
	1991	64	3.00	192 Tons	2,068.75	397,200
Kiwifruit	1992	375	6.48	2,430 Tons	1,143.00	2,777,500
	1991	325	5.03	1,635 Tons	1,733.00	2,833,500
Peaches, Cling***	1992	8,068	19.87	160,311 Tons	217.21	34,821,200
	1991	7,096	20.13	142,842 Tons	228.00	32,568,000
Peaches, Freestone	1992	85	6.00	510 Tons	282.77	144,200
	1991	74	4.00	296 Tons	173.00	51,200
Pears, All	1992	679	13.72	9,316 Tons	251.32	2,341,300
	1991	569	8.67	4,933 Tons	222.50	1,097,600
Persimmons	1992	152	2.76	420 Tons	874.29	367,200
	1991	132	2.38	314 Tons	625.91	196,500
Plums	1992	49	1.08	53 Tons	327.31	17,300
	1991	36	3.00	108 Tons	900.00	97,200
Prunes, Dried	1992	19,581	2.23	43,666 Tons	1,016.00	44,364,700
	1991	20,009	2.63	52,624 Tons	933.69	49,134,500
Walnuts English	1992	13,316	1.31	17,444 Tons	1,280.00	22,328,300
	1991	13,098	1.53	20,040 Tons	1,135.00	22,745,400
Walnuts Black	1992	71	0.99	70 Tons	111.11	7,800
	1991	73	1.02	74 Tons	144.44	10,700
Misc. Fruit** & Nut	1992	126		214 Tons		106,700
	1991	60		123 Tons		94,700
TOTALS	1992	46,519				\$115,187,800
	1991	45,294				\$113,030,600

*Includes, Boysenberries, Olallie/Blackberries, Raspberries

**Includes Apricots; Chestnuts; Figs; Jojoba; Jujube; Nectarines; Oranges; Pistachios and Pomegranates, also includes crops of limited number of growers / processors in Sutter County.

***Acreage from Cling Peach Advisory Board

FIELD CROPS ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

CROPS	YEAR	PRODUCTION			VALUE		
		HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL	
BEANS							
Beans, dry	1992	5,650	1.06	5989	Tons	440.00	2,635,200
Baby Lima	1991	8,700	1.29	11,223	Tons	472.17	5,299,200
Beans, dry	1992	615	0.99	609	Tons	503.61	306,700
Blackeye	1991	400	0.87	348	Tons	451.03	157,000
Beans, dry	1992	1,450	0.71	1,030	Tons	669.76	689,900
Kidney	1991	1,020	0.76	775	Tons	571.48	442,900
Beans, dry	1992	2,300	0.83	1,909	Tons	500.00	954,500
Pink	1991	2,275	0.79	1,797	Tons	371.39	667,400
Beans, dry	1992	155	0.94	146	Tons	509.15	74,300
Pinto	1991	100	0.76	76	Tons	481.13	36,600
Beans, dry	1992	363		230	Tons		196,800
Misc.*	1991	1,195		944	Tons		545,300
BEANS, DRY	1992	10,533					4,857,400
TOTAL	1991	13,690					7,148,400
Barley	1992	1,500	1.44	2,160	Tons	105.50	227,900
	1991	2,000	1.41	2,820	Tons	100.00	282,000
Corn, field	1992	2,700	3.89	10,503	Tons	96.25	1,010,900
Grain	1991	1,300	3.88	5,044	Tons	100.00	504,400
Corn, field	1992	165	20.00	3,300	Tons	25.18	83,100
Silage	1991	700	24.00	16,800	Tons	22.40	376,300
Hay,	1992	4,103	6.66	27,326	Tons	75.53	2,063,900
Alfalfa	1991	4,878	6.83	33,317	Tons	81.37	2,711,000
Hay,	1992	655	1.08	707	Tons	35.04	24,800
Grain	1991	2,552	1.12	2,858	Tons	49.68	142,000
Hay,	1992	3,142	1.00	3,142	Bale	25.00	78,600
Other	1991	2,700	1.00	2,700	Bale	25.00	67,500
Oats,	1992	1,000	1.20	1,200	Tons	100.00	120,000
Grain	1991	1,500	1.07	1,605	Tons	96.88	155,500
Pasture,	1992	21,500			Acre	115.00	2,472,500
Irrigated	1991	21,500			Acre	115.00	2,472,500
Pasture,	1992	50,000			Acres	5.00	250,000
Range, dry	1991	50,000			Acres	5.00	250,000

FIELD CROPS continued...

CROPS	YEAR	PRODUCTION		TOTAL UNIT	VALUE	
		HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Rice**	1992	73,780	4.20	309,876 Tons	210.20	65,135,900
	1991	61,960	3.98	246,601 Tons	214.20	52,821,900
Safflower	1992	6,862	1.28	8,783 Tons	277.03	2,433,200
	1991	3,784	1.28	4,844 Tons	238.65	1,156,000
Sorghum Grain	1992	484	2.30	1,113 Tons	91.25	101,600
	1991	329	2.30	757 Tons	100.00	75,700
Sugarbeets	1992	2,288	28.10	64,293 Tons	37.84	2,432,800
	1991	4,260	24.04	102,410 Tons	39.22	4,016,500
Wheat, Grain	1992	20,514	2.70	55,388 Tons	108.25	5,995,800
	1991	14,165	2.98	42,212 Tons	100.06	4,223,700
Wild Rice	1992	2,834	0.75	2,126 Tons	2,278.00	4,843,000
	1991	693	0.72	499 Tons	1,308.00	652,700
Miscellaneous ***	1992	1,836		Tons		1,319,700
	1991	1,715		Tons		990,600
Field Crop Byproducts	1992			56,002 Tons	12.73	712,900
	1991			43,945 Tons	12.73	559,400
TOTAL	1992	203,896				\$94,164,000
	1991	187,726				\$78,606,100

*Includes Cranberry, Moth Beans, Black Turtles, also includes crops of limited number of growers / processors in Sutter County.

** Adjusted ASCS Target Price

***Includes Popcorn and Sweet Rice, also includes crops of a limited number of growers / processors in Sutter County.

Sutter County consistently ranks number one in gross value of Agricultural Commodities of all the Sacramento Valley Counties.

SEED CROPS
ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

CROPS	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Beans, dry	1992	1,239	1,141	1,413,699 Lbs	0.32	452,400	
	1991	777	1,560	1,212,120 Lbs	0.38	460,600	
Cantaloupe Honeydew	1992	564	354	199,656 Lbs	2.12	423,300	
	1991	123	393	48,339 Lbs	2.21	106,800	
Cucumber	1992	595	311	185,045 Lbs	2.91	538,500	
	1991	919	351	322,569 Lbs	2.79	900,000	
Oats	1992	None					
	1991	None					
Pumpkin & Squash	1992	843	628	529,404 Lbs	2.60	1,376,500	
	1991	506	517	261,602 Lbs	2.18	570,300	
Rice	1992	2,277	8,400	19,126,800 Lbs	0.11	2,103,900	
	1991	2,264	5,800	13,131,200 Lbs	0.11	1,444,400	
Safflower	1992	7,194	2,234	16,071,396 Lbs	0.14	2,250,000	
	1991	1,724	2,105	3,629,020 Lbs	0.12	435,500	
Sunflower	1992	666	1,097	730,602 Lbs	0.46	336,100	
	1991	603	1,667	1,005,201 Lbs	0.45	452,300	
Watermelon	1992	1,329	364	483,756 Lbs	2.98	1,441,600	
	1991	288	364	104,832 Lbs	2.54	266,300	
Wheat	1992	See Miscellaneous					
	1991	See Miscellaneous					
Wild Rice	1992	None					
	1991	See Miscellaneous					
Miscellaneous*	1992	3,397		2,045,759 Lbs		546,500	
	1991	5,779		4,709,488 Lbs		1,284,300	
TOTAL	1992	18,104				\$9,468,800	
	1991	12,983				\$5,920,500	

*Includes Tomato; Peas; Clover; Gords; Onion; Vetch and Wheat, also includes crops of a limited number of growers / processors in Sutter County.

**VEGETABLE CROPS
ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE**

CROPS	YEAR	PRODUCTION		TOTAL UNIT	VALUE	
		HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Corn, sweet	1992	78	3.15	246 Tons	285.00	70,100
	1991	46	3.50	161 Tons	240.00	38,600
Melons, Honeydew	1992	5,171	9.67	50,004 Tons	242.57	12,129,500
	1991	3,565	8.77	31,265 Tons	255.16	7,039,600
Melons, Mixed	1992	34	2.50	85 Tons	200.00	17,000
	1991	484	5.65	2,735 Tons	251.37	687,500
Pumpkins	1992	468	30.43	14,241 Tons	34.22	487,300
	1991	868	20.07	17,421 Tons	30.50	531,300
Squash, all	1992	709	4.20	2,978 Tons	121.91	363,000
	1991	301	12.31	3,705 Tons	131.46	450,000
Tomatoes, Canning	1992	19,790	33.44	661,778 Tons	46.05	30,474,900
	1991	22,500	29.50	663,750 Tons	55.68	36,957,600
Tomatoes, Fresh	1992	19	13.00	247 Tons	650.00	160,600
	1991	9	15.00	135 Tons	500.00	67,500
Watermelons	1992	607	19.31	11,721 Tons	113.23	1,327,200
	1991	1,082	18.72	20,255 Tons	96.27	1,949,900
Miscellaneous*	1992	347		678 Tons		912,800
	1991	454		2,465 Tons		2,168,700
TOTAL	1992	27,223				\$45,942,400
	1991	29,309				\$49,890,700

*Includes the following crops:

Asparagus; Yellow Wax Beans; Green Beans; Beets; Broccoli;
Cabbage; Cantaloupe; Carrots; Cauliflower, Chard; Cucumbers;
Eggplant; Garlic; Lettuce; Okra; Green Onion; Peppers, Red/Chili;
Raddiccio; Spinach; Bell Peppers; Potato; Radish; Shallots; Strawberries;
Turnips; Artichokes; Bush Beans; Fava Beans; Bok Choy; Parsley;
Tomatillos; Collards; Indian Corn; Popcorn; Gourds; Yellow Peas;
Yams; Herbs; Mustard Greens; Blackeye Peas; Sunflower.
Also includes crops of limited number of growers / processors in
Sutter County.

NURSERY PRODUCTS
ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

	YEAR	FIELD ACRES	QUANTITY SOLD	UNIT	TOTAL
Fruit and Nut Trees & Vines	1992	120	1,317,727	Trees	5,481,000
	1991	120	1,240,304	Trees	4,179,000
Ornamental Trees & Shrubs	1992	89		Trees	669,600
	1991	89		Trees	455,400
TOTAL	1992	209			\$6,150,600
	1991	209			\$4,634,400

APIARY PRODUCTS
PRODUCTION & VALUE

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Honey	1992	176,000	Pounds	0.50	88,000
	1991	270,600	Pounds	0.44	119,100
Beeswax	1992	7,150	Pounds	0.96	6,900
	1991	2,640	Pounds	1.06	2,800
Package Bees	1992	5,500	Pounds	4.50	24,800
	1991	11,990	Pounds	4.44	53,200
Queen Bees	1992	23,804	Each	4.96	118,100
	1991	24,041	Each	4.91	118,000
Pollination	1992	27,553	Colony	17.70	487,700
	1991	54,324	Colony	24.50	1,330,900
TOTAL	1992				\$725,500
	1991				\$1,624,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION & VALUE

ITEM	YEAR	NO, OF HEAD	TOTAL LIVEWEIGHT	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cattle & Calves	1992	16,500	175,589	Cwt	63.64	11,174,500
	1991	18,000	157,850	Cwt.	68.84	10,866,400
Sheep & Lambs	1992	19,000	29,260	Cwt.	46.22	1,352,400
	1991	24,000	35,251	Cwt.	52.10	1,836,600
Hogs & Pigs	1992	2,558	3,817	Cwt.	48.00	183,200
	1991	3,680	5,930	Cwt.	52.00	308,400
Rabbits, all	1992	19,434	100,476	Lbs.	0.49	49,200
	1991	20,684	103,606	Lbs.	0.76	78,700
Chickens, all	1992	4,300	4,371	Lbs.	0.26	1,100
	1991	5,000	12,750	Lbs.	0.30	3,800
Miscellaneous*	1992	43,308		Head		970,700
	1991	42,268		Head		1,130,900
TOTAL	1992					\$13,731,100
	1991					\$14,224,800

*Includes Duck; Quail; Fish; Geese; Turkey; Pigeon; Pheasant; Goats; Kid Goats; also livestock and poultry of limited number of growers / processors in Sutter County.

Agricultural Commodity Processors based in Sutter County annually export over 30,000,000 pounds of products to more than 50 countries worldwide. The export of agricultural commodities is an important element in the economy of this county and state.

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS
PRODUCTION & VALUE

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Milk, marketing	1992	8,089	Cwt.	11.61	93,900
	1991	74,403	Cwt.	11.17	831,100
Milk, manufacturing	1992	None			
	1991	None			
Wool	1992	147,681	Lbs.	***0.67	98,900
	1991	210,744	Lbs.	**0.53	111,700
Eggs, chicken market	1992	5,000	Doz.	0.44	2,200
	1991	5,000	Doz.	0.68	3,400
Eggs, chicken hatching	1992	None			
	1991	None			
Miscellaneous*	1992				57,500
	1991				64,500
TOTAL	1992				\$252,500
	1991				\$1,010,700

*Includes Angora Fur, Crickets and Worms, Quail Eggs, Live Bait Fish, Crayfish, and Rabbit Hides, also livestock and poultry products of a limited number of growers/processors in Sutter County.

**ASCS Prices

***California Wool Association

Ranked by size Sutter County is one of the smallest of California's 58 Counties. Ranked by value of Agricultural Production, Sutter County is number 18 of the California Counties.

SUMMARY
FARM VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$113,030,600	\$115,187,800
FIELD CROPS	\$78,606,100	\$94,164,000
SEED CROPS	\$5,920,500	\$9,468,800
VEGETABLE CROPS	\$49,890,700	\$45,942,400
NURSERY CROPS	\$4,634,400	\$6,150,600
APIARY PRODUCTS	\$1,624,000	\$725,500
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	\$14,224,800	\$13,731,100
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$1,010,700	\$252,500
TOTALS	\$268,941,800	\$285,622,700

TEN LEADING CROPS
AND VALUE

	<u>1991</u>		<u>1992</u>
RICE, all**	\$54,266,300	RICE, all**	\$68,046,100
PRUNES, dried	\$49,134,500	PRUNES, dried	\$44,364,700
TOMATOES, all**	\$37,100,100	PEACHES, all*	\$34,965,400
PEACHES, all*	\$32,619,300	TOMATOES, all**	\$30,694,900
WALNUTS, all	\$22,756,100	WALNUTS, all	\$22,336,100
CATTLE & CALVES	\$10,866,400	MELONS, all**	\$15,350,400
MELONS, all**	\$10,050,100	CATTLE & CALVES	\$11,174,500
BEANS, dry, all**	\$7,609,000	NURSERY PRODUCTS, all	\$6,026,000
NURSERY PRODUCTS, all	\$4,634,400	WHEAT, GRAIN, all**	\$5,995,800
WHEAT, GRAIN, all**	\$4,469,800	BEANS, dry, all,**	\$5,309,800

*Acreage from Cling Peach Advisory Board

**Includes Seed and miscellaneous rice- Rice does not include Wild Rice

FRUIT & NUT
TREE & VINE
BEARING & NON BEARING
ACREAGE

CROP	BEARING ACRES		NON-BEARING ACRES	
	1991	1992	1991	1992
Almonds	3,476	3,561	178	182
Apples	281	376	13	95
Apricots	7	5	0	0
Bushberries	1	1	0	0
Cherries	64	79	16	2
Cherimoya	0	0	0	0
Chestnuts	4	5	0	2
Grapes	21	98	0	0
Guava/Feijoa	10	11	3	0
Jojoba	5	5	0	0
Kiwi	325	375	9	1
Nectarines	18	33	3	6
Olives	10	10	0	0
Oranges, Navel	10	10	0	0
Oranges, Valencian	5	5	0	0
Peaches, Cling*	7,096	8,068	3,116	2,474
Peaches, Freestone	74	85	8	5
Pears, all	569	679	12	12
Pecans	2	0	0	4
Persimmons	132	152	27	40
Pistachios	4	5	3	34
Plums	36	49	3	3
Pomegranates	1	1	0	0
Prunes	20,009	19,581	1,291	2,195
Strawberries	8	8	0	0
Walnuts, Black	73	71	18	15
Walnuts, English	13,098	13,316	1,615	1,787
TOTALS	45,339	46,589	6,315	6,857

Acres from California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

*Acres from Cling Peach Advisory Board.

GROSS VALUE
of
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

YEAR	VALUE	YEAR	VALUE
1945	\$33,381,000	1969	\$74,006,000
1946	\$41,347,000	1970	\$77,238,000
1947	\$41,291,000	1971	\$82,209,000
1948	\$39,684,000	1972	\$95,118,000
1949	\$36,731,000	1973	\$159,204,000
1950	\$41,930,000	1974	\$179,719,000
1951	\$52,003,000	1975	\$187,517,000
1952	\$49,494,000	1976	\$178,554,000
1953	\$44,815,000	1977	\$200,878,000
1954	\$38,783,000	1978	\$220,502,000
1955	\$43,224,000	1979	\$258,666,900
1956	\$49,381,000	1980	\$299,014,700
1957	\$41,313,000	1981	\$316,465,900
1958	\$38,786,000	1982	\$247,784,100
1959	\$50,707,000	1983	\$205,335,300
1960	\$50,536,000	1984	\$262,285,500
1961	\$55,585,000	1985	\$255,449,600
1962	\$57,322,000	1986	\$229,364,800
1963	\$55,155,000	1987	\$216,183,600
1964	\$66,740,000	1988	\$201,345,800
1965	\$64,564,000	1989	\$243,940,200
1966	\$71,627,000	1990	\$217,400,000
1967	\$69,313,000	1991	\$268,941,900
1968	\$80,275,000	1992	\$285,622,700