

RESOLUTION NO. 18-029

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE AWARD OF FUNDING TO THE MENDOCINO LAND TRUST FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION'S SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR THE LOVERS LANE VINEYARD CONSERVATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has established the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program within the Department of Conservation, and through a grant program is providing assistance to conserve important agricultural land resources that are subject to conversion pressures; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino Land Trust intends to purchase a conservation easement on 133.5 acres (+/-) of Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance that is under intensive agricultural use and is located in Ukiah, California, and owned by the Mendo Farming Company, LLC, for the purpose of conserving priority agricultural land resources; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Conservation has approved the application for funding submitted for the conservation easement by Mendocino Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approves of the conservation easement as set forth in the funding application and certifies that the proposed conservation easement meets the eligibility criteria set forth in Public Resources Code Section 10251, to wit:

(a) The parcel proposed for conservation is expected to continue to be used for, and is large enough to sustain, commercial agricultural production. The land is also in an area that possesses the necessary market, infrastructure, and agricultural support services, and the surrounding parcel sizes and land uses will support long-term commercial agricultural production.

(b) The County has a general plan which demonstrates a long-term commitment to agricultural land conservation. This commitment is reflected in the goals, objectives, policies, and implementation measures of the plan, as they relate to the area of the Ukiah Valley where the easement acquisition is proposed.

(c) Without conservation, the land proposed for protection is likely to be converted to nonagricultural use in the foreseeable future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, as the Governing Body of the County of Mendocino, Hereby Supports the Award of Funding from the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program for the Lovers Lane Vineyard Conservation Easement Project.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Brown, seconded by Supervisor Croskey, and carried this 27th day of February, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Croskey, Gjerde and Hamburg
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

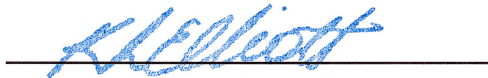
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Clerk of the Board


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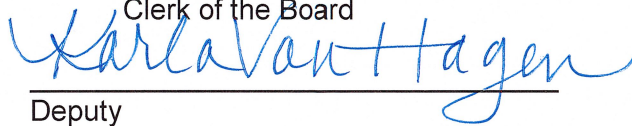

DAN HAMBURG, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Katharine Elliott, County Counsel



BY: CARMEL J. ANGELO
Clerk of the Board


Deputy