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MEMORANDUM

TO: Meg Scott Phipps, Commissioner of Agriculture
 FROM: Kirstie Dixon, Planner
 DATE: July 10, 2002
 RE: Voluntary Farmland Preservation Program

In July 2001 the Voluntary Farmland Preservation Ordinance was adopted and the Farmland Preservation Advisory Board was created. Since that time we have held four meetings, three of which were to hear preservation requests.

As a result of the last three meetings, the Farmland Preservation Advisory Board has approved 25 farms comprising of approximately 5,925 acres (see table below and attached map). For the July 2002 meeting we currently have seventeen new requests that are comprised of approximately 1,479 acres. This will bring the total number of farms to 48 and the acreage to 7,403.

Districts	Number of Farms	Number of Farms on Present Use	Number of Parcels	Number of Acres
District 1	2	2	3	131
District 2	1	1	2	68.81
District 3	1	1	1	69.05
District 4	1	1	2	52.69
District 5	1	1	1	71
District 6	7	7	29	2364.58
District 7	1	1	1	399
District 8	1	1	1	143.69
District 12	1	1	1	67.4
District 13	1	1	1	50.84
District 14	1	1	2	127.64
District 15	1	1	2	95.45
District 16	2	2	10	380.34
District 17	1	1	3	373.12
District 18	1	1	4	410.65
District 19	3	1	5	278.39
District 20	1	1	3	127.26
District 21	1	1	1	215.03
District 22	1	1	1	209.67
District 23	1	1	5	96.69
District 24	1	1	3	191.91
TOTALS	31	29	81	5925.21