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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

August 8, 2007

Mr. William O'Brien, Chairperson
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
County Administration Building
1010 Tenth Street, Ste 6500
Modesto, California 95354

Dear Chairperson O'Brien:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the counties of **Santa Clara and Yolo** and the contiguous counties of **Alameda, Colusa, Lake, Merced, Napa, Sacramento, San Benito, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Solano, Stanislaus, and Sutter** due to agriculture losses caused by drought that occurred January 1, 2007, and continuing.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karma Hackney".

KARMA HACKNEY
Program Manager

Enclosure

c: Stanislaus County OES
Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner
California Department of Food and Agriculture
OES Regional Administrator

**U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation
Santa Clara and Yolo – Drought S2546**

**Designation
Information**

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County(s):	Santa Clara, Yolo
Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Alameda, Colusa, Lake, Merced, Napa, Sacramento, San Benito, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter
Event:	Drought that occurred January 1, 2007, and continuing
Assistance made available by designation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster • Up to a maximum of \$500,000 • Interest rate of 3.75 percent
Application deadline:	March 31, 2008
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture • Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)
USDA website for additional information:	www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm