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August 6, 2008

Mr. Thomas Mayfield, Chairperson Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors County Administration Building 1010 Tenth Street, Ste 6500 Modesto, California 95354

Dear Chairperson Mayfield:

The U.S. Small Business Administration has declared the primary county of **Alameda** and contiguous counties of **Contra Costa, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara,** and **Stanislaus** a disaster area. This declaration is a result of a July 2, 2008, USDA disaster designation due to agricultural losses caused by drought and abnormal cold weather that occurred March 8, 2008, through June 17, 2008.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services is providing the enclosed information regarding this declaration. Please inform interested individuals, businesses, and city officials within your county of this declaration and information.

Sincerely,

KARMA HACKNEY

Program Manager

Enclosure

c: Stanislaus County OES
Deputy Director, Regional Operations
OES Regional Administrator



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August 4, 2008

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Dear Chairperson Mayfield:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the county of Alameda and the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, and Stanislaus due to agriculture losses caused by drought and abnormal cold weather that occurred March 8, 2008, through June 17, 2008.

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.

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Stanislaus County OES c: Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner California Department of Food and Agriculture Deputy Director, Regional Operations **OES** Regional Administrator

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation S2690 Alameda County – Drought and abnormal cold weather

Designation Information

The following table illustrates the designation information.

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Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, Stanislaus
Event:	Drought and abnormal cold weather
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Application deadline:	March 2, 2009
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	 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)
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