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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 Tuolumne and contiguous counties of Alpine, Calaveras, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, and Stanislaus a disaster area. This declaration is a result of a September 15, 2008, USDA disaster designation due to agricultural losses caused by drought beginning March 2008, and continuing.

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.

KARMA HACKNEY

Program Manager

Enclosure

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

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U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Declaration SBA #11445 - Drought

Declaration Information

The following table illustrates the declaration information.

Eligible Primary County(s):	Tuolumne
Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Alpine, Calaveras, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Stanislaus
Reason/Event:	September 15, 2008, USDA Designation for drought beginning March 2008, and continuing
Assistance made available by declaration:	SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans
Application deadline for business economic injury:	May 15, 2009
Who may apply:	Small, non-farm businesses and small agricultural cooperatives. Small businesses include those that do business directly with the growers, such as truckers and suppliers of agricultural equipment or services.
How to apply:	Contact SBA at 1-800-659-2955 , or visit SBA's website at: www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call 1-800-877-8339.