APPENDIX PD-1

PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN TEXT AMENDMENTS

Agricultural	AG-1. The County shall protect prime, statewide importance, unique and local importance farmlands located outside of the USB from urban encroachment, consistent with General Plan policies authorizing amendment of the Land Use Diagram in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Sacramento County (see LU-114, LU-119 – LU- 128).				
Agricultural	AG-5. Projects resulting in the conversion of more than fifty (50) acres of farmland shall be mitigated within Sacramento County, except as specified in the paragraph below, based on a 1:1 ratio, for the loss of the following farmland categories through the specific planning process or individual project entitlement requests to provide in-kind or similar resource value protection (such as easements for agricultural purposes):				
	 prime, statewide importance, unique, local importance, and grazing farmlands located outside the USB; 				
	 prime, statewide importance, unique, and local importance farmlands located inside the USB. 				
	The Board of Supervisors retains the authority to override set aside the in- County mitigation requirement for impacts to Unique, Local, and Grazing farmlands, but not with respect to Prime and Statewide farmlands.				
	However, if that land is also required to provide mitigation for impacts to special-status species pursuant to Sacramento County endorsed or approved Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), then the Board of Supervisors may consider, on a case by case basis, the mitigation land provided required to mitigate for impacts to special-status species in accordance with the HCP as meeting the requirements of this section including land outside of Sacramento County.				
	Note: This policy is not tied to any maps contained in the Agricultural Element. Instead, the most current Important Farmland map from the Department of Conservation should be used to calculate mitigation.				
Conservation	CO-60. Mitigation should be directed to lands identified on the Open Space Vision Diagram and associated component maps (please refer to the Open Space Element), consistent with LU-114.				
Land Use	LU-15. Planning and development of new growth areas should be consistent with Sacramento County- adopted Habitat Conservation Plans and/or other efforts to preserve and protect natural resources.				