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Director Ghilarducci,

San Joaquin County has experienced a significant crop loss for rangeland in 2022. Early winter rains in December followed by dry weather onwards resulted in many ranchers needing to provide supplement hay for feed or move stock from their normal range other locations outside of the county. Many areas also reported young grasses with roots did not develop well. Many of the stock ponds are already dry and will affect grazing in the fall of 2022 because there will be less available water when livestock return to the rangeland.

Based upon a survey of local cattle ranchers, we have determined the San Joaquin County forage production has had a loss of 58 percent of normal production. At the five-year average price of \$26.00 per acre, this represents a financial loss to growers of \$1,806,600.

I am requesting that San Joaquin County be considered for a Secretarial Disaster Declaration designation due to the adverse climatic conditions, which has greatly impacted our rangeland forage production. Attached is the *California County Agricultural Commissioner Disaster Report*. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Tim Pelican
Agricultural Commissioner
San Joaquin County

cc: San Joaquin Board of Supervisors
San Joaquin County Administrator
San Joaquin County Office of Emergency Services
Farm Service Agency

13. Total Farms in County: (Use most recent U.S. Farm Census number.)		Number			
		3430 Farms and Ranches			
14. Farms with Production Losses of:		Number			
100%		0			
90 to 99%		0			
80 to 89%		2			
70 to 79%		1			
60 to 69%		0			
50 to 59%		4			
40 to 49%		0			
30 to 39%		1			
20 to 29%		0			
Less than 20%		0			
15. Livestock and Poultry Losses of:		Number Destroyed/Damaged	3-Year Avg. Price (From Annual Crop Report)	Dollar Loss	
Cattle (Excluding milk cows)		0			
Milk Cows		0			
Milk Production		0			
Sheep		0			
Hogs		0			
Poultry		0			
Aquaculture		0			
Apiary		0			
Other		0			
16. Farms with <u>Physical</u> Losses of:		Number			
Major		0			
Minor		0			
17. Farm Facilities Damaged:		Number			Dollar Loss
		Destroyed	Major	Minor	
Dwellings & Service Buildings		0			
Structures		0			
Machinery & Equipment		0			
Land Damages (Acres)		0			
Other		0			

Remarks: 120,000 acres rangeland total. Both east and west county ranchers reported poor forage. The animals were either supplemented with feed or shipped out early to other regions.