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San Joaquin County Releases Annual Crop Report 2022 Crop Report Highlights the Farm to Fork Movement

Stockton, CA – The San Joaquin County Agricultural Commissioner formally presented the 2022 Annual Agricultural Crop Report to the County Board of Supervisors on October 10, 2023 for approval. The data will be used by the United States Department of Agriculture as part of its annual compilation of detailed agricultural data for every county in America.

Agricultural Commissioner, Kamaljit Bagri, announced that the gross value of agricultural production for 2022 was more than \$3.2 billion, an increase of 1.6 percent from the 2021 value. Milk was San Joaquin County's leading commodity with a total of more than \$625 million and an increase of 40.50 percent from its 2021 value. This change was due to an increase in prices by the Federal Milk Marketing Orders. Grapes were the second highest commodity with almonds coming in third.

"The theme for the 2022 Crop Report is Farm to Fork," said Kamaljit Bagri, San Joaquin County's Agricultural Commissioner. "San Joaquin County is home to 3,430 farms so the transparency and sustainability of the Farm to Fork movement, which shortens the supply chain and connects farmers directly with consumers, is a natural fit for a county like ours."

Supervisor Robert Rickman, Chair of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors added, "One of the things that makes our County and communities so special is our proximity to agriculture. Commissioner Bagri and her team play an essential role in not only protecting and advocating for our County's largest economic driver, but also in supporting the tenants of the Farm to Fork movement, my favorite of which is certifying the County's nine Farmer's Markets."

Highlights from the 2022 crop year:

- Fruit and Nut Crops continue to be the largest in total value at \$1,430,224,000.
- Milk was the top commodities earner with a total value of \$626,472,000.
- Grapes were the number two crop with a total value of \$421,061,000.
- Livestock and Poultry products increased by 15.08% with a total value of \$128,954,000.
- Nursery products increased by 2.20% with a total value of \$141,197,000.
- Apiary products increased by 5.30% with a total value of \$56,907,000.

For the 2022 Crop Report, and past years, click here.