

**California Department of Conservation
Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program**

2004 FIELD REPORT

COUNTY: Placer

FIELD MAPPER(S): Rain Ananael

IMAGERY:

source: National Agricultural Imagery Program

date: 2004

scale: 2 meter

film type: true color mosaic

coverage gaps: none

additional imagery: NASA-Ames Research 1:130,000 CIR, July 21, 2004

WRITTEN, DIGITAL & ORAL INFORMATION SOURCES: *Please list which local governments, interest groups, or individuals submitted comments on the 2002 maps. Also list all phone and in-person contacts made or related GIS data referenced while conducting the 2004 update.*

➤ *local review comments*

cities: City of Lincoln, Senior Planner/ City of Roseville, Environmental Coordinator

county:

others:

➤ *personal contacts:*

➤ *websites:*

<http://www.lakeviewfarmsinc.com>

<http://www.rocklin.ca.gov/upload/files/APPENDIX%20A%2007-2005.pdf>

www.lincolncrossing.net

<http://www.ci.lincoln.ca.us/pagedownloads/Current%20Projects%202-14-06.pdf>

http://www.sactaqc.org/Resources/Literature/LandUse/Rocklin_Housing.htm

<http://www.ci.rocklin.ca.us/>

<http://www.roseville.ca.us/>

<http://www.placer.ca.gov/>

➤ *GIS data referenced: DFG lands, USFWS federal lands, USGS 1:24 k DRG's, FEMA floodplains, GDT roads, water holding ponds.*

2002-2004 CHANGES*: *Please summarize the most common changes to the maps. List representative locations (quads) of each type of change encountered. Make sure to list and describe particularly large, unusual or notable changes and give estimates of the*

acreage involved.

➤ **Irrigated Farmland to Urban Land**

There were two changes in this category. One change from irrigated agriculture to urban was due to the addition of a water treatment facility west of Roseville. The other change from irrigated pasture was due to the addition of a 200+ acre development northwest of Rocklin and South of Lincoln. In this area north of Roseville and northwest of Rocklin, a portion of the Lincoln Crossing Project, Twelve Bridges and Sun City Lincoln Hills were added, as were portions of the Sunset Ranchos and Sunset Industrial Area.

➤ **Local, Grazing or Other Land to Urban Land**

There were 58 changes in this category. The majority of these changes were due to urbanization of Grazing land. Changes from Other Land are due to increases in housing density and the urbanization of natural vegetation. Projects in and around Lincoln, Rocklin and Roseville were added. These include: Joiner Ranch Homes, Twelve Bridges, Sun City Lincoln Hills, The Grove Homes, Lincoln Crossing, Whitney Ranch, Whitney Oaks Golf Course, Granite Bay Community Park, Meritage Homes, Villemont, Ferrende, Claremont Homes, Richmond and Mark III communities, Sunset Ranchos and additions to the Sunset Industrial Area, which occur along highway 65 north near Sunset Blvd.

➤ **Irrigated Farmland to Local or Grazing Land**

There were 21 changes in this category. The majority of these changes represent farmland left idle for three or more updates. These changes occurred throughout the county. Many of these changes occurred in and around Lincoln and Gold Hill.

➤ **Irrigated Farmland to Other Land**

There were 12 changes in this category. The majority of these changes represent farmland fallowed for three or more update cycles. These changes are the result of addition of ranchettes or the inclusion of riparian corridors or other natural vegetation.

➤ **Local, Grazing or Other Land to Irrigated Farmland**

There were 73 changes in this category. The majority of these changes represent the addition or identification of irrigated pasture and the addition of orchards, row crops, and alfalfa throughout the county.

PROBLEM AREAS: *What locations and map categories need careful checking in 2006? Why?*

Irrigated pasture is prevalent in Placer County. However, there are several areas where irrigated pasture coincides with ranchette estates. These areas need careful checking to determine whether the areas represent ranchette estates or an agricultural usage. Watch for new urban and changes from the Other Land category to urban due to increases in housing density.

LABOR ESTIMATE: *Please estimate the amount of time spent on the following tasks.*

photo interpretation, start date: 3/12/06
photo interpretation, number of days: 14
ground truthing dates: 4/16/06-4/18/06
days for map compilation and clean up: 8

* **Note:** **Irrigated Farmland** = Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance or Unique Farmland; **Local** = Farmland of Local Importance

Further information on the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program can be found at:

www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/fmmp