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August 31, 2009

Mr. Jim DeMartini, Chairperson
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
County Administration Building
1010 Tenth Street, Ste 6500
Modesto, California 95354

Dear Chairperson DeMartini:

On August 25, 2009, the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the primary county of **Tuolumne** and the contiguous counties of **Alpine**, **Calaveras**, **Madera**, **Mariposa**, **Merced**, **Mono**, and **Stanislaus** due to agriculture losses caused by freeze that occurred April 15, 2009.

The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karma Hackney".

KARMA HACKNEY
Program Manager

Enclosure

- c: Stanislaus County OES
Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner
California Department of Food and Agriculture
Cal EMA Director, Statewide Operations Division
Cal EMA Regional Administrator
Cal EMA Individual Assistance Section

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation USDA #S2892 - Freeze

**Designation
Information**

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County(s):	Tuolumne
Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Alpine, Calaveras, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Stanislaus
Event:	Freeze that occurred April 15, 2009
Assistance made available by designation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster • Up to a maximum of \$500,000 • Interest rate 3.75 percent
Application deadline:	April 26, 2010
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture • Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)
USDA website for additional information:	www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm