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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: September 23, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chris de Nijs, Agricultural Commissioner

SUBJECT: Acceptance of the 2024 Nevada County Annual Crop and Livestock Report

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the report.

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND: Pursuant to California Food and Agriculture Code Sections 2272 and 2279, the commissioner shall compile a report of acreage, production, and value of agricultural products in their county. The report is attached.

In 2024, the total gross value of agricultural commodities produced in Nevada County reached \$28,540,000, representing a 17% increase compared to 2023 and establishing a new historical high for the county. While crop values remained relatively flat, notable gains were realized in the cattle (12%) and timber (429%) industries, underscoring the ongoing importance of these sectors to Nevada County's agricultural and natural resource economy. These results demonstrate both the resilience and the evolving nature of the county's agricultural landscape.

Also, prepared with the annual crop and livestock report is a supplement report on cannabis. The gross value of cannabis for 2024 was \$11,352,700 reflecting a total value increase of 11%, largely due to an increase in canopy size.

It should be noted that the numbers reported in both reports do not attempt to measure farm profitability, nor do the reports try to quantify the economic contributions to the economy.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Chris de Nijs, Agricultural Commissioner

Submittal Date: September 4, 2025 Revision Date: Sept 12, 2025