

## COUNTY OF NEVADA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Chris de Nijs - Agricultural Commissioner

## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** October 10, 2023

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chris de Nijs, Agricultural Commissioner

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of the 2022 Nevada County Annual Crop and Livestock

Report

**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept the report.

**FUNDING:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:** Pursuant to California Food and Agriculture Code Section 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 2022, the total gross value of agricultural products in Nevada County was \$18,773,400. This represents a decrease of approximately 12% from the previous year. This decrease is largely contributed to the extreme weather (frost) that Nevada County experienced in April and May of 2022. The freezing weather significantly reduced production in a number of categories, none more so than winegrapes, which represented an over all reduction of approximately 55% in value.

Also, prepared with the annual crop and livestock report is a supplement report on cannabis. The gross value of cannabis for 2022 was \$6,932,500, which represents a decrease of nearly 45% from the previous year. This is largely due to a deflated market as prices were significantly lower as there was an overabundance of supply. It should be noted that the value of cannabis is not included in the County's total gross value stated earlier.

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

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

Submittal Date: September 25, 2023

**Revision Date:**