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I am pleased to present the 2014 County of Nevada Annual Crop and Livestock Report. This report is prepared pursuant to Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code. This report represents estimated acreage, yield, and gross value of agricultural products in Nevada County.

The gross value of Nevada County's agricultural production for 2014 was \$23,253,100, up 1% from the 2013 value. The livestock industry saw a 21% increase in gross value in 2014, mainly due to a 24% increase in cattle values affected by an increased price per unit. Timber products, Nevada County's second highest valued crop in 2013, decreased in value in 2014 by 63%. Fire salvage timber harvesting in surrounding counties was the main cause for the decline.

This report also includes summaries of the department's pest exclusion, pest detection and invasive weed program activities for 2014.

I would like to thank the many producers, agricultural business representatives, and public agencies who have cooperated in supplying the data necessary to produce this report. Without their assistance, this crop report would not be possible. I would also like to thank the members of my staff, for their contributions, with special recognition going to Agricultural Biologist Luci Wilson, for compiling the information and developing the new layout. Thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,

Chrisandra J. Flores

Agricultural Commissioner