# FW: Letter: Agricultural Lands Clustering

Vicki Shelby

Mon 8/15/2016 9:12 AM

To:cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder <cr_board_clerk@co.slo.ca.us>;

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Agricultural Lands Clustering.pdf;

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"Thinking a smile all the time will keep your face youthful" - Frank G. Burgess
"Wrinkles should merely indicate where smiles have been" - Mark Twain

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**From:** Jocelyn Brennan
**Sent:** Thursday, August 11, 2016 1:42 PM
**To:** BOS_Legislative Assistants <BOS_Legislative-Assistants@co.slo.ca.us>
**Cc:** Micki Olinger <molinger@co.slo.ca.us>
**Subject:** FW: Letter: Agricultural Lands Clustering

~ Jocelyn Brennan

Legislative Assistant District 4
San Luis Obispo County Supervisor Lynn Compton

San Luis Obispo CA 93408

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**From:** James Green <jgreen@slofarmbureau.org>
**Date:** Thursday, Aug 11, 2016, 1:14 PM
**To:** Jocelyn Brennan <jbrennan@co.slo.ca.us>, Micki Olinger <molinger@co.slo.ca.us>
**Subject:** Letter: Agricultural Lands Clustering

Good afternoon Jocelyn & Micki,

Could you please submit the attached letter to Chair Compton and the other Supervisors? Thank you in advance for your swift attention.

If you have any questions or difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact me. Have a great day!

Regards,
James Green
Government Affairs Specialist
San Luis Obispo County Farm Bureau

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Re: Agricultural Lands Clustering

Dear Chair Compton and Supervisors:

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Currently, Title 22, Land Use Ordinance Section 22.22.150 states in part "One technique, provided by this Section, is the clustering of allowable dwelling units on relatively small parcels in agricultural areas instead of the dispersal of such units on large lots. Further, Section 22.22.150A states "The purpose of Sections 22.22.150, 22.22.152 and 22.22.154 is to establish a set of regulations which *encourages* [emphasis added] clustering as an alternative to a conventional lot split where an agricultural land division is proposed consistent with Agriculture and Open Space Element and Section 22.22.040".

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We respectfully urge you to read the above referenced Ordinance and Sections and make your decisions based on the Ordinance, as opposed to personal beliefs and or outside influences. In short, if the applicant has truly satisfied the requirements set forth in the Ordinance, the applicant should be approved in a timely manner.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Sutton, President
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# Correspondence Re: Ag Clusters

Blake Fixler

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Thank you.

Blake Fixler
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