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February 21, 2023

Dr. Art Pimentel, President  
Folsom Lake College  
10 Scholar Way  
Folsom, CA 95630

Dear Dr. Pimentel,

The El Dorado County Board of Supervisors is writing in support of the Folsom Lake College Viticulture program's efforts to improve its facilities and program by installing a teaching vineyard. The Board is very supportive of the agriculture industry as its importance is clearly articulated in the Introduction of the El Dorado County General Plan:

"The viability of these industries [Agriculture and Timber] is critical to the maintenance of the County's customs, culture, and economic viability."

Additionally, growing the Viticulture Program at the Folsom Lake El Dorado Center would increase opportunities for residents, especially our youth, to have career paths to stay local and sustain the County's prosperous wine industry.

The Board is appreciative of this opportunity to provide support for this exciting, hands-on program and looks forward to continuing its relationship with Folsom Lake College.

Sincerely,

Wendy Thomas, Chair  
El Dorado County Board of Supervisors