



# County of El Dorado

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## Legislation Text

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Agriculture Department recommending the Board receive a presentation by the El Dorado Farm Trails Association on promoting and showcasing the preservation of small farms and ranches in El Dorado County.

(Est. Time: 30 Min.)

### **Background**

El Dorado County has a long tradition of agriculture dating to the gold rush of the 1800's and today we continue to be proud of our rural atmosphere and agricultural history. Through a generous grant from the county Board of Supervisors, the association was established as a non-profit organization in 1992 to promote agriculture and agri-tourism in the county. Today, we dedicate our efforts toward carrying out our mission and we continue to enjoy policy support and periodic financial support from the Supervisors.

Our members grow a wide variety of fruits, including cherries, berries, peaches, apples, pears, and oranges as well as wine grapes, flowers, Christmas trees and other agricultural products. Our members who operate wineries offer many award winning wines having flavor characteristics unique to the foothill appellations of El Dorado and Fair Play.

Whether you are touring our scenic areas for a day or a week, please explore our Farm Trails and take home some of the excellent fruits, vegetables, and other products available. The many agricultural attractions and recreational activities available in our beautiful county also offer something for everyone, especially families.

Our association has grown to over 100 members in the "Western slope" of the county operating farms and ranches and related enterprises. Our Farm Trails route was recently referred to by UC Davis as being one of "two premier farm trails in the state". We certainly agree and wish to welcome you to explore the many unique and interesting activities and products our members have to offer.

### **Contact**

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