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Agriculture, Weights and Measures Department, on behalf of the Agricultural Commission, recommending the Board appoint Tim Neilsen to serve as the Livestock Industry Representative on the Agricultural Commission for the remainder of the term vacated on May 26, 2010, by Gary Ward, commencing August 11, 2010 until expiration in January of 2014.

FUNDING: General Fund included in Fiscal Year 2010/11 budget.

Background: It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors appoint Tim Neilsen to represent the Livestock Industry Agricultural Commission member vacancy, beginning on August 11, 2010 and expiring January 2014. This position was recently vacated by the appointed member due to his moving from El Dorado County area.

The Agricultural Commission is comprised of seven members, not officials of the county, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, representing the following industries: Forestry/Related (1), Livestock (2), Fruit and Nut Farming (2), Agricultural Processing (1), and Other Agricultural Interests (1).

In accordance with Agricultural Commission Bylaws adopted by the Board of Supervisors on August 31, 2004, a Notice of Terms of Office Expiration/Vacancy was submitted to the local newspapers and to county agricultural organizations. In addition, an independent Review Panel comprised of industry representatives as identified in the Agricultural Commission By-Laws § 4(a), met on July 7, 2010, to review applications and interview candidates. As a result, the independent Review Panel recommends the Board of Supervisors appoint Tim Neilsen to represent the Livestock Industry on the El Dorado County Agricultural Commission for the remainder of the four (4) year term beginning August 11, 2010 and expiring January, 2014.

The Review Panel was comprised of six members from the following organizations: Agricultural Commission, Lloyd Walker (Other Agricultural Interest) El Dorado County Farm Bureau, Harry Dean; El Dorado Winegrape Growers, Norm Krizl; El Dorado County Farm Trail Association, Donna Sauber; Apple Hill Growers Association, Maryann Argyres; Beth Jones, El Dorado Winery Association.

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: There will be no fiscal impact or net county cost impact associated with the recommended appointment.

Action to be taken following Board approval: Agricultural Commission appointee, Tim Neilsen, to begin term (August 2010 to January, 2014) at the regularly scheduled Agricultural Commission meeting of August 11, 2010.

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