



# California Farmland Conversion Report 1998 - 2000



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## Executive Summary

*Urban development increased by 30% over the prior update.  
Vineyard development helped offset irrigated farmland losses in some areas of the state.*


California land use conversion between 1998 and 2000 reflected the strong economy and specific agricultural trends of the late 1990's. Statewide urbanization as mapped by the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP) exceeded 90,000 acres for the first time since 1990-1992. Prime Farmland accounted for 19% of the 91,258 new urban acres, and other irrigated farmland categories comprised an additional 8% of new urban land.


The FMMP biennial mapping survey covers approximately 90% of the privately owned land in the state (44.5 million acres) in 48 counties. Land use information is gathered using air photos and other information, and combined with soil quality information in a geographic information system (GIS) to produce the maps and statistics.


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### URBANIZATION

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 91,258 acres were urbanized

 29% of urbanization  
occurred in Riverside & San  
Diego counties.

 19% of urbanization  
occurred on Prime Farmland.

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The southern California counties of Riverside and San Diego accounted for 29% of new urban acres in 1998-2000, and five counties in the Sacramento and San Francisco Bay areas (Sacramento, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Sonoma, and Placer) accounted for an additional 28%. This was the first time central California counties comprised such a large amount of the state's new urban land.

Most new urban land was residential and commercial.

Golf course communities were developed or expanded in all of the rapidly urbanizing counties, and were relatively common statewide. Fifteen additions to golf course areas were made in Riverside's Coachella Valley. Other urbanization examples included recreational facilities such as Legoland in San Diego County, landfill expansions, schools, parks, hospitals, sewage treatment plants, and transportation facilities.

Irrigated farmland, particularly Prime Farmland, was affected by this urbanization in the large majority of the actively urbanizing counties. In some locations, large proportions of the new urban land occurred on former irrigated farmland. Examples include San Joaquin County, where 2,037 out of the 2,555 new urban acres occurred on irrigated farmland (80%), and in Merced County where the figure was 84% (874 out of 1,040 acres).



Aside from urbanization, other factors caused increases or decreases in the amount of irrigated farmland in California. Farmland losses occurred due to conversions to low-density residential uses, ecological restoration projects, or long-term land idling. Counties with more than 10,000 acres removed from irrigated farmland categories included Riverside, San Diego, and Kern. Anticipated urban development, unavailability of irrigation water, soil issues, and economic factors are likely reasons that land has gone idle in any given location.

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📖 29 counties had net decreases in irrigated acreage.

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📖 Among the remaining 19 counties, wine grape growing areas accounted for 71% of increases in irrigated acreage.

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📖 Wine grape acreage in California now exceeds raisin and table grape acreage combined.

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Land was also converted from native vegetation or formerly idle farmland to irrigated uses. The San Joaquin Valley and Central Coast each experienced conversions of this type totaling more than 40,000 acres between 1998 and 2000.

Vineyard development accounted for much of the new irrigated farmland. Five wine grape counties (Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Sonoma, Santa Barbara, and Napa) had net increases of irrigated land totaling 42,775 acres during the period. Orchards, strawberries, ornamental crops, and baby carrots were the other agricultural uses increasing in specific counties. A large majority of the land brought into irrigated agriculture during the two years (68%) did not qualify for Prime Farmland.

FMMP conversion statistics for all types of land use change were higher in 1998-2000 than in 1996-1998. The figures represent a continuation of trends—increase in urbanization rates and major investment in vineyard development—that were noted in the 1998 map update.

Combined data from the 1996-1998 and 1998-2000 updates indicate that California Prime Farmland acreage declined by more than 77,000 acres, and all other irrigated categories except Unique Farmland lost an additional 47,000 acres. Unique Farmland had a net gain of 42,000 acres during the four-year period. Overall the state gained more than 161,000 acres (about 252 square miles) of urban land and lost 82,512 acres (about 129 square miles) of irrigated farmland in the 1996 to 2000 timeframe.



# The Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

*Documenting changes in agricultural land use since 1984.*


**T**he goal of the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program (FMMP) is to provide consistent, timely and accurate data to decision makers for use in assessing present status, reviewing trends, and planning for the future of California's agricultural land resources.


Approximately 90% of the privately owned land in the state (44.5 million acres) is mapped by FMMP as of 2000. The survey area is shown on the following page (Figure 1). Each map is updated every two years, providing an archive for tracking land use change over time.

Using a geographic information system (GIS), air photos, local input, and other information, FMMP combines soil quality data and current land use information to produce Important Farmland Maps. The program is funded through the state's Soil Conservation Fund. This fund receives revenues from Williamson Act contract cancellation fees.

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## RESOURCES

 FMMP is authorized under Government Code §65570.

 The Williamson Act & FSZ Programs are part of the Division of Land Resource Protection, along with FMMP:  
[www.conservation.ca.gov](http://www.conservation.ca.gov)

The number of products available has grown with the requirements of users--including printed maps, statistics, field reports, and GIS data. The maps and data are used in environmental studies to assess the impacts of proposed development on agricultural and open space land. In recent years, FMMP data has become widely used in urbanization and environmental modeling, and comparative land cover studies.

In addition, only land that is classified in one of the four main agricultural categories on FMMP maps is eligible for enrollment in Farmland Security Zone (FSZ) contracts. Under FSZ contracts, landowners receive substantial property tax benefits for committing to keep their land in agricultural use for 20-year periods.

**This is the eighth Farmland Conversion Report** produced by the FMMP, the current report covering the 1998 to 2000 period.

## Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program Survey Area 2000

Locations shown as 'Out of Survey Area' may be added in the future, while those indicated as 'Local, State, and Federal Owned Land' are not planned for incorporation. Examples of government owned land include National Parks, Forests, and Bureau of Land Management lands. Please note that small areas of public land are included in the FMMP survey area—generally appearing as 'Other Land' on the map below.

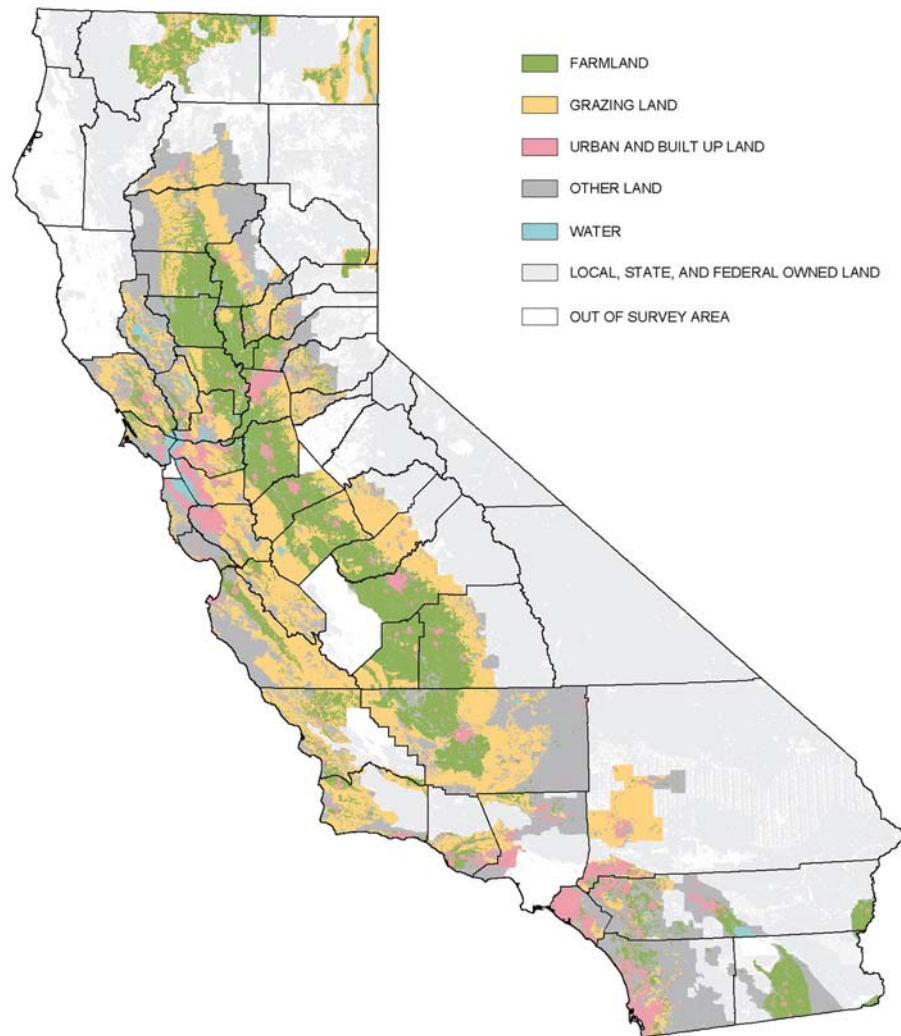


FIGURE 1  
FMMP  
SURVEY AREA

## Important Farmland Map Categories

About 90% of FMMP's study area is covered by U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) modern soil surveys. Technical ratings of the soils and current land use information are combined to determine the appropriate map category. The minimum mapping unit for all categories is 10 acres unless otherwise noted.

**Prime Farmland** has the best combination of physical and chemical features able to sustain long-term agricultural production. This land has the soil quality, growing season, and moisture supply needed to produce sustained high yields. Land must have been used for irrigated agricultural production at some time during the four years prior to the mapping date.

**Farmland of Statewide Importance** is similar to Prime Farmland but with minor shortcomings, such as greater slopes or less ability to store soil moisture. Land must have been used for irrigated agricultural production at some time during the four years prior to the mapping date.

**Unique Farmland** consists of lesser quality soils used for the production of the state's leading agricultural crops. This land is usually irrigated, but may include nonirrigated orchards or vineyards as found in some climatic zones in California. Land must have been cropped at some time during the four years prior to the mapping date.

**Farmland of Local Importance** is land of importance to the local agricultural economy as determined by each county's board of supervisors and a local advisory committee. The definitions for this category are detailed in Appendix D of this report.

**Grazing Land** is land on which the existing vegetation is suited to the grazing of livestock. This category was developed in cooperation with the California Cattlemen's Association, University of California Cooperative Extension, and other groups interested in the extent of grazing activities. The minimum mapping unit is 40 acres.

**Urban and Built-up Land** is occupied by structures with a building density of at least 1 unit to 1.5 acres, or approximately 6 structures to a 10-acre parcel. Common examples include residential, industrial, commercial, institutional facilities, cemeteries, airports, golf courses, sanitary landfills, sewage treatment, and water control structures.

**Other Land** is land not included in any other mapping category. Common examples include low density rural developments; brush, timber, wetland, and riparian areas not suitable for livestock grazing; confined livestock, poultry or aquaculture facilities; strip mines, borrow pits; and water bodies smaller than forty acres. Vacant and nonagricultural land surrounded on all sides by urban development and greater than 40 acres is mapped as Other Land.


**Water** - perennial water bodies with an extent of at least 40 acres.


## INTERIM MAPPING

In areas where no USDA soil survey is available, Interim Farmland categories allow FMMP to monitor land use until soils data becomes available. These categories substitute for the categories of Prime, Statewide, Unique, and Local. All other map categories are as described above.

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### ENHANCEMENTS

 Colusa County & Western  
Tulare County were upgraded  
from Interim to Important  
Farmland status this update.

 Areas remaining in Interim  
status are Butte County &  
portions of Kern County.

**Irrigated Farmland** is land with a developed irrigation water supply that is dependable and of adequate quality. Land must have been used for irrigated agricultural production at some time during the four years prior to the mapping date.

**Nonirrigated Farmland** is land on which agricultural commodities are produced on a continuing or cyclic basis utilizing stored soil moisture. Wheat and other grains are the most common nonirrigated crops.

## OPTIONAL DESIGNATION

**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use** is defined as existing farmland, grazing land, and vacant areas that have a permanent commitment for development. This optional designation allows local governments to provide detail on the nature of changes expected to occur in the future. It is available both statistically and as an overlay to the Important Farmland Map.

## STATISTICAL NOTES

**Residual Polygons**, those less than the 10- or 40-acre minimum mapping unit, are a natural result of the mapping process as changes are made to adjacent areas. In order to maintain map unit consistency, these small units are absorbed into the most appropriate adjacent land use type. This process results in shifts among categories that may appear anomalous in the conversion statistics--such as urban to agriculture or Prime Farmland to Farmland of Statewide Importance.

In some counties, major revisions to the maps are being made to accommodate new mapping technology. This process, and its effect on the data, is discussed in the following section of the report.

**Minimum units of analysis within the GIS database** are 0.3 acres for land use changes. When digital soil information is incorporated from USDA, soil units of less than 1.0 acre have been merged with the next most appropriate category.

# 2

## 1998-2000 Improvements

*An expanded study area and upgrades in the mapping process.*

Each year brings changes in technology and data availability, which FMMP attempts to incorporate in pragmatic fashion. Some upgrades can be made in a single two-year cycle, while others necessitate a phased-in approach.

Between 1998 and 2000, numerous changes were made to FMMP's mapping process. Many of these improvements were funded with a temporary augmentation FMMP received from the 2000 Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection, and Flood Protection Act (Proposition 13).



FIGURE 2  
ADDITIONS &  
UPGRADES

### **Survey area addition - Western Stanislaus County.**

The completion of a soil survey for this area allowed FMMP to add 391,096 acres of some of the most productive agricultural land in the San Joaquin Valley to the survey area. 100,976 acres of this land is Prime Farmland. Patterson and Newman are the largest communities within the addition.

### **Upgrades - Colusa County and Western Tulare County.**

About 1.5 million acres were upgraded from Interim to Important Farmland status this update due to the availability of new soil survey information. Soil data was added to

the 1998 versions of the maps, so that 1998-2000 conversion figures for the two locations are available in this report.

As part of this process, the Colusa County Board of Supervisors adopted a Farmland of Local Importance definition (see Appendix D). Tulare County's definition remains unchanged.

### **All digital map updating workflow - phase II.**

Starting in 1998, FMMP began incorporating digital air photos and satellite data into the update process—bringing major quality improvements to the maps. Table 1 lists which counties were migrated to this system during the 1998 and 2000 updates. All remaining counties are scheduled to complete this conversion during the 2002 map update.

TABLE 1  
DIGITAL MAP  
UPDATING

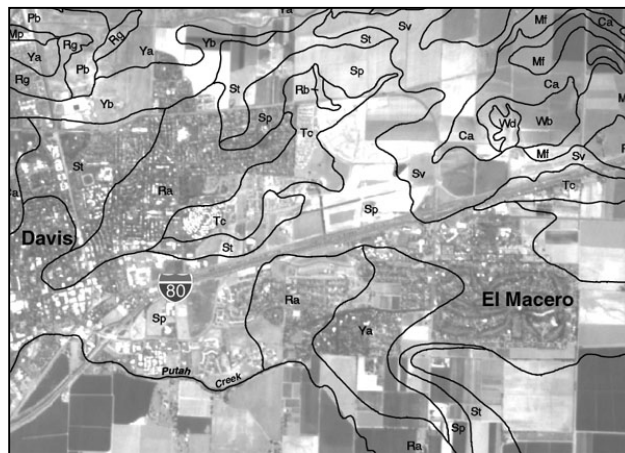
Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program Digital Map Update Conversion Progress		
1998	2000	2002 (planned)
Fresno	Butte	Alameda
Kings	Colusa	Amador
Lake	Glenn	Contra Costa
Madera	Kern	El Dorado
Mariposa	Modoc	Imperial
Merced	Monterey	Los Angeles
Monterey (part)	Placer	Marin
Sacramento	San Diego	Napa
San Joaquin	San Luis Obispo	Nevada
Santa Barbara (part)	Santa Barbara	Orange
Stanislaus	Shasta	Riverside
Tulare	Sierra Valley	San Benito
	Siskiyou	San Bernardino
	Sonoma	San Mateo
	Sutter	Santa Clara
	Tehama	Santa Cruz
	Yolo	Solano
	Yuba	Ventura

Due to the boundary corrections that are inevitable with this improvement, anomalous land use conversions—from urban to agriculture, for example—are evident in the statistics for the year digital conversion takes place. In large counties such as Monterey and San Diego, these anomalies may total in the

thousands of acres. Footnotes have been added to the county conversion tables as appropriate.

As a result of this process, spatial accuracy of the Important Farmland data is expected to exceed the original compilation scale of 1:100,000.

FIGURE 3  
SOIL SURVEY  
EXAMPLE



**New Resources – Digital Soil Surveys.**

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has begun releasing its soil survey data in GIS format. This information offers much greater accuracy and ease of analysis compared with prior hand-transfer methods. FMMP is beginning to incorporate this data, first with new mapping areas (Western Stanislaus) and

upgrades (Colusa, Tulare Counties). This methodology is bringing about changes to FMMP field mapping and GIS analytic techniques—but aside from increased quality, the change will not affect the value-added Important Farmland data products that users have come to rely on.

# 3

## Understanding the Data

*Locating and interpreting the California Farmland Conversion Report's tabular data and graphics.*

Important Farmland information is developed on an individual county basis, taking two years to map the 44.5 million acre survey area. This report begins with each county's information, compiling it in various ways to produce the assessment in Chapter 4.

**Detailed county tables - Appendix A.** Includes acreage tallies and conversion data for individual counties. The figure below describes how conversion tables are constructed.

**1998 and 2000 county acreage tallies – Appendix B.** Values for the individual years (Tables B-1 and B-2) are extracted from Part I of the tables in Appendix A. These tables also indicate the proportion of each county within the FMMP survey area—approximately half of the counties are not completely mapped due to lack of a soil survey. Table B-3 shows this same information for 2000, grouped by region.

**Statewide conversion summary – Chapter 4, Table 3.** This table summarizes material from all three sections of the Appendix A information, with the exception of the Interim mapped areas in Butte County and portions of Kern County.

FIGURE 4  
CONVERSION  
TABLE  
STRUCTURE

TABLE 4  
LAND USE CONVERSION SUMMARY (1)  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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PART I  
Land Use Totals and Net Changes

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program  
PART II  
Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES			
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	NET ACREAGE CHANGED
Prime Farmland (2)						-39,588
Farmland of Statewide Importance						-12,213
Unique Farmland (2)						24,676
Farmland of Local Importance						-6,030
IMPORTANT FARMLAND						-33,155
Grazing Land						-52,193
AGRICULTURAL LAND						-85,348
Urban and Built-Up Land	2,535,516	2,608,038	13,755	86,277	100,032	72,522
Other Land	9,011,609	9,018,671	54,898	61,960	116,858	7,062
Water Area	637,377	643,141	491	6,255	6,746	5,764
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>33,340,497</b>	<b>33,340,497</b>	<b>402,472</b>	<b>402,472</b>	<b>804,944</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART I:**  
Indicates county area mapped & overall change in each category.

PART II:		
<b>Land expected to be developed (voluntary submission by local governments).</b>		
Grazing Land		63,496
AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBT		124,134
Urban and Built-Up Land		18
Other Land		42,968
Water Area		22
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>		<b>167,142</b>

PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use	
Prime Farmland (2)											84,183	
Farmland of Statewide Importance											45,548	
Unique Farmland (2)											29,644	
Farmland of Local Importance											80,914	
IMPORTANT FARMLAND											40,289	
Grazing Land											93,039	
AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBT											33,328	
Urban and Built-Up Land											13,755	
Other Land											54,898	
Water Area											491	
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>44,595</b>	<b>33,335</b>	<b>54,320</b>	<b>74,884</b>	<b>207,134</b>	<b>40,846</b>	<b>247,980</b>	<b>86,277</b>	<b>61,960</b>	<b>6,255</b>	<b>402,472</b>

**PART III:**  
Raw data from GIS provides detail on every acre of change that occurred. All changes result from revising the two-year-old linework based on new air photos.

**FOOTNOTES:**  
Information on large or unusual conversions and other descriptive material.



**County and regional conversion summaries – Appendix C.** The counties are grouped into geographic regions as seen in Figure 5. Table C-1 classifies the sources of new urban land for the period, by county and region. Table C-2 identifies other land use changes affecting agriculture, capturing the ebb and flow of agricultural land use change over time. Table C-3 documents net agricultural change from all factors, grouped by region and ranked by acreage. Appendix C information includes the Interim farmland portions of Butte and Kern counties. Much of the analysis in Chapter 4 is based on the data in Appendix C.

**Simplifying assumptions for analyses** – In order to conduct comparative analysis, certain simplifying assumptions have been made. For example, Unique Farmland is considered to be an irrigated farmland category, even though a small percentage of land within the Unique Farmland category supports high value nonirrigated crops, such as some coastal vineyards. Conversely, Farmland of Local Importance is considered to be a nonirrigated category although it also supports some irrigated pasture on lower-quality soils.

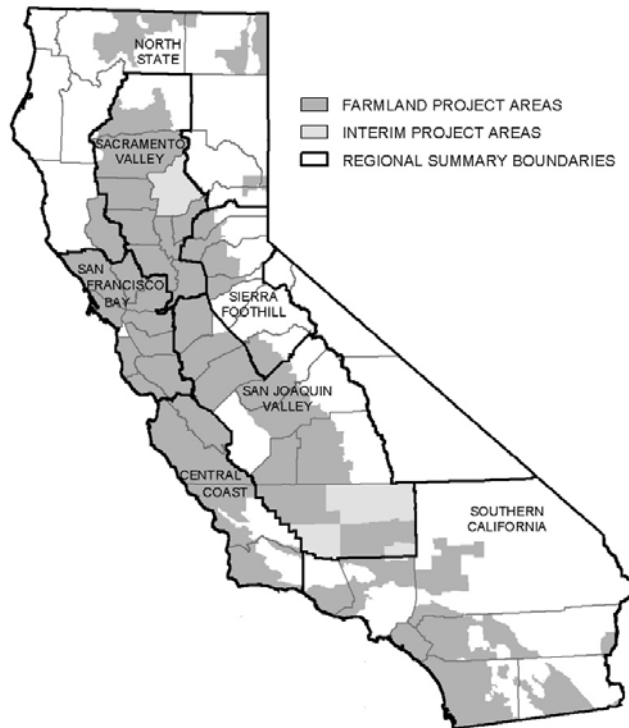


FIGURE 5  
FMMP REGIONS

# 4

## Land Use Conversion, 1998-2000

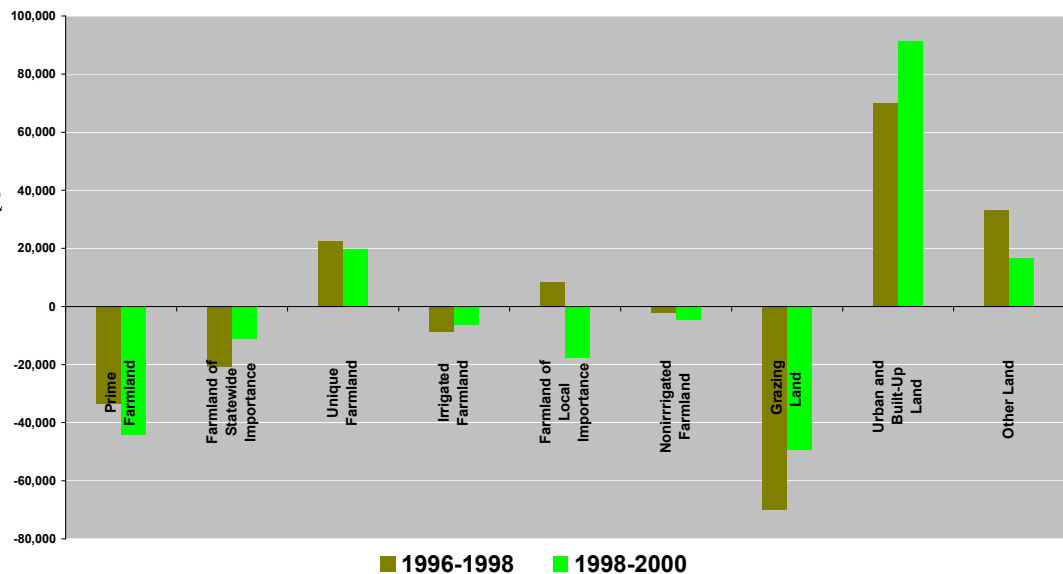
*Statewide urbanization increases by 30% over previous reporting period.  
Farmland losses partially offset by vineyard planting in some locations.*

Land use conversion between 1998 and 2000 reflected the strong economy and specific agricultural trends of the late 1990's. Statewide urbanization as mapped by FMMP exceeded 90,000 acres for the first time since 1990-1992, when recession began to impact the pace of development. Prime Farmland accounted for 19% of the 91,258 new urban acres, and other irrigated farmland categories comprised an additional 8% of new urban land.

In addition to urbanization, a number of other factors affect the extent and quality of agricultural land in California, including land idling, conversion to ecological restoration uses, and low-density rural development. Between 1998 and 2000, agricultural losses were offset, in part, by large-scale vineyard development in many coastal counties. The net effect of these influences is seen in Figure 6, below.



**Information in this chapter is based on tables in Appendix C unless otherwise stated.** Appendix C information summarizes Important Farmland and Interim data, while the Important Farmland Conversion Summary (Table 3, page 13) excludes Interim data. Individual county conversion information is located in Appendix A.

FIGURE 6  
STATEWIDE  
ACREAGE  
CHANGE



## Urbanization

Southern California has long led the state in urban land development. In 1998-2000, Riverside County again had the largest number of acres converted to urban, followed by San Diego County (Table 2). Most of the urban growth was comprised of residential and commercial uses, as well as extensive golf course developments. In eastern Riverside County, fifteen new or expanded golf course communities were added in the Coachella Valley. Additional urbanization examples included landfill expansions and recreational facilities such as Legoland in San Diego.

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	One square mile equals 640 acres.
	Riverside & San Diego counties accounted for over 40 square miles of new urban land between 1998 & 2000.

Much of the urbanized land in the top two counties did not derive from irrigated agriculture (Figure 7), but from grazing land and native vegetation. Irrigated farmland was impacted in Riverside County primarily near the cities of Corona and Indio; and in coastal north San Diego County from Del Mar to Oceanside.

While the top urban growth counties continued to be in Southern California, Central Valley and San Francisco Bay Area counties assumed six of the top ten slots.

TABLE 2  
TOP OVERALL  
URBAN RANKS

Urbanization from All Categories - Top 10 Counties (net acres)			
	1996-1998		1998-2000
Riverside	8,902	Riverside	14,080
Orange	7,740	San Diego	12,437
Kern	4,343	Sacramento	6,430
San Diego	4,322	Contra Costa	4,798
Fresno	4,016	Santa Clara	4,701
Los Angeles	3,873	Sonoma	4,626
Sacramento	3,812	Placer	3,840
Santa Clara	2,755	Fresno	3,693
Ventura	2,639	Orange	3,397
Placer	2,607	Los Angeles	2,979

This was the first FMMP conversion report where the central part of the state assumed such a prominent segment of the top-urbanizing list. Sacramento County's growth was located in three areas—Folsom, Elk Grove, and the Natomas area of the City of Sacramento. Most of Contra Costa County's development took place in the Brentwood area, while in Santa Clara County the Gilroy area had the greatest amount of urban conversion. In

Fresno County, growth occurred primarily around the Cities of Fresno and Clovis. With the exception of Folsom, these growing communities are all adjacent to high-quality irrigated farmland.

In the remaining counties—Sonoma, Placer, Orange, and Los Angeles—higher amounts of the urbanization took place on former grazing land, dryland grain areas, or native vegetation. The south Placer County communities of Roseville, Rocklin, and two Sun City developments share that county's growth, while in Sonoma County most new urban land surrounds Santa Rosa. In Los Angeles County, the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys absorbed much of the new development. Orange County still lost

**TABLE 3**  
**IMPORTANT FARMLAND CONVERSION SUMMARY (1)**  
**1998-2000**

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION**  
**Division of Land Resource Protection**

**Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program**

**PART I**

**Land Use Totals and Net Changes**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	4,828,516	4,784,390	102,923	58,797	161,720	-44,126	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	2,394,150	2,383,024	53,907	42,781	96,688	-11,126	
Unique Farmland	1,204,640	1,224,328	57,965	77,653	135,618	19,688	
Farmland of Local Importance	3,054,213	3,036,514	111,805	94,106	205,911	-17,699	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>11,481,519</b>	<b>11,428,256</b>	<b>326,600</b>	<b>273,337</b>	<b>599,937</b>	<b>-53,263</b>	
Grazing Land	13,605,261	13,553,757	110,730	59,226	169,956	-51,504	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>25,086,780</b>	<b>24,982,013</b>	<b>437,330</b>	<b>332,563</b>	<b>769,893</b>	<b>-104,767</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	3,018,968	3,109,133	35,700	125,865	161,565	90,165	
Other Land	11,803,663	11,812,562	100,076	108,975	209,051	8,899	
Water Area	669,206	674,909	556	6,259	6,815	5,703	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>40,578,617</b>	<b>40,578,617</b>	<b>573,662</b>	<b>573,662</b>	<b>1,147,324</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**

**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	26,429
Farmland of Statewide Importance	6,391
Unique Farmland	4,714
Farmland of Local Importance	35,790
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>73,324</b>
Grazing Land	67,667
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>140,991</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	46,856
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>187,847</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000 (2)**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	4,704	2,682	35,767	43,153	19,681	62,834	19,392	18,622	2,075	102,923
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,800	--	2,449	26,857	31,106	6,769	37,875	5,200	10,024	808	53,907
Unique Farmland	3,858	2,663	--	16,640	23,161	12,685	35,846	3,336	18,762	21	57,965
Farmland of Local Importance	20,000	13,004	31,977	--	64,981	11,482	76,463	17,954	16,193	1,195	111,805
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>25,658</b>	<b>20,371</b>	<b>37,108</b>	<b>79,264</b>	<b>162,401</b>	<b>50,617</b>	<b>213,018</b>	<b>45,882</b>	<b>63,601</b>	<b>4,099</b>	<b>326,600</b>
Grazing Land	15,636	15,804	26,586	5,898	63,924	--	63,924	23,645	21,622	1,539	110,730
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>41,294</b>	<b>36,175</b>	<b>63,694</b>	<b>85,162</b>	<b>226,325</b>	<b>50,617</b>	<b>276,942</b>	<b>69,527</b>	<b>85,223</b>	<b>5,638</b>	<b>437,330</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	2,214	825	683	2,957	6,679	5,513	12,192	--	23,491	17	35,700
Other Land	15,230	5,773	13,276	5,961	40,240	2,977	43,217	56,255	--	604	100,076
Water Area	59	8	0	26	93	119	212	83	261	--	556
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>58,797</b>	<b>42,781</b>	<b>77,653</b>	<b>94,106</b>	<b>273,337</b>	<b>59,226</b>	<b>332,563</b>	<b>125,865</b>	<b>108,975</b>	<b>6,259</b>	<b>573,662</b>

(1) This table includes acreage data for all or part of 47 counties. Conversion data for Interim Farmland areas (Butte and portions of Kern County, totalling 3.6 million acres) are not included. Table does not include Western Stanislaus County, which was added to the survey area in 2000.

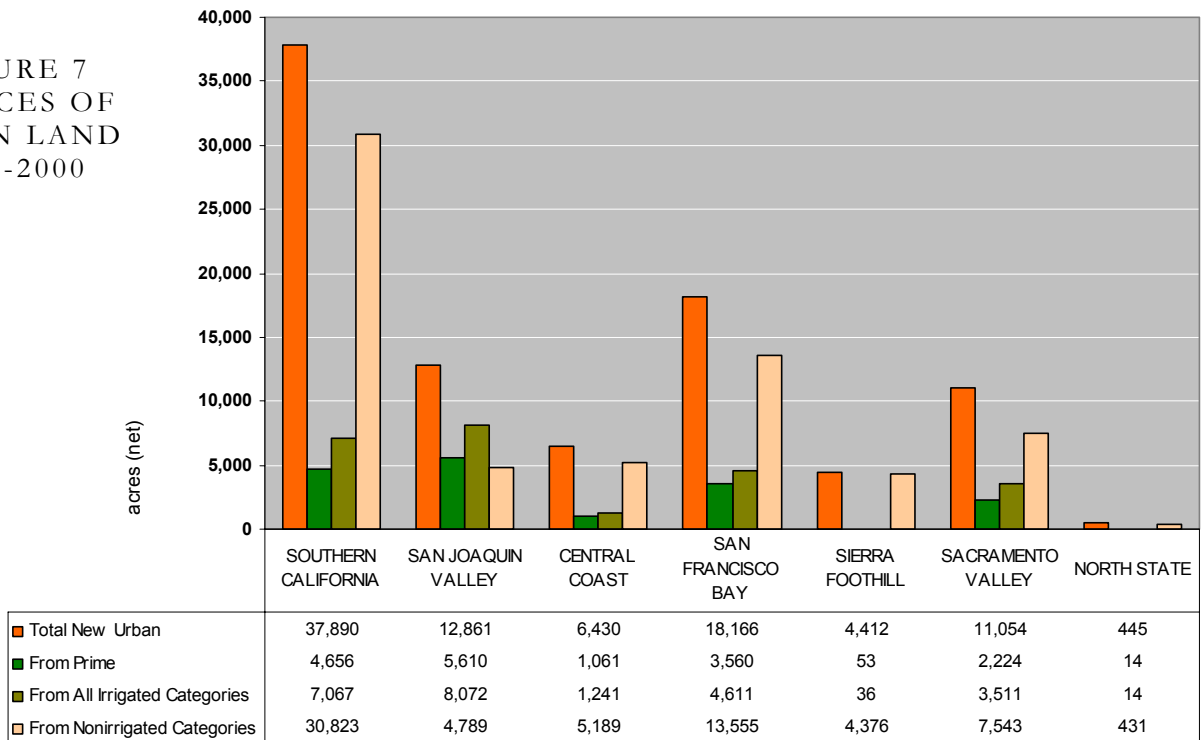
(2) Digital aerial photography and satellite data were used to improve land use mapping accuracy in 18 counties during the 2000 update. The adjustment of linework in these counties resulted in gross conversion figures (Part III) that are larger or more unusual than would be expected. Net figures (Part I) balance out the adjustments and are a more accurate reflection of overall change.

**IMPORTANT FARMLAND CONVERSION SUMMARY**

significant irrigated farmland acreage (972 acres), primarily near Tustin. The sources of new urban land by county are completely enumerated in Appendix C-Table 1.

In all counties, residential and commercial uses are the primary new urban land types. Golf course communities have been developed or expanded in each county on the top ten list. Schools, parks, hospitals, sewage treatment plants, landfills, and transportation facilities round out the common additions to urban. Other interesting examples from the top ten included entertainment venues such as an expansion at Sears Point Raceway in Sonoma County and the Island Water Park in Fresno County. In Sonoma and Fresno Counties, there were also a few large agricultural processing facilities and wineries that qualify as urban due to their size and infrastructure.

FIGURE 7  
SOURCES OF  
URBAN LAND  
1998-2000



**Regional differences in urbanization** are also visible in Figure 7. Both the absolute and relative impact of development on Prime Farmland is of note. While 44% (5,610 acres) of new urban land in the San Joaquin Valley occurred on Prime Farmland, Southern California lost nearly as much in absolute acreage (4,656), but it comprised only 12% of the overall new urban land in that region.

**Urbanization of irrigated farmland** is further described in Table 4, outlining the top counties in terms of urban development on irrigated farmland. It is notable that the rankings in Table 3 and Table 4 generally agree. However, some counties in Table 4

TABLE 4  
TOP IRRIGATED  
TO URBAN  
RANKS

Irrigated Farmland to Urban - Top 10 Counties  
(net acres)

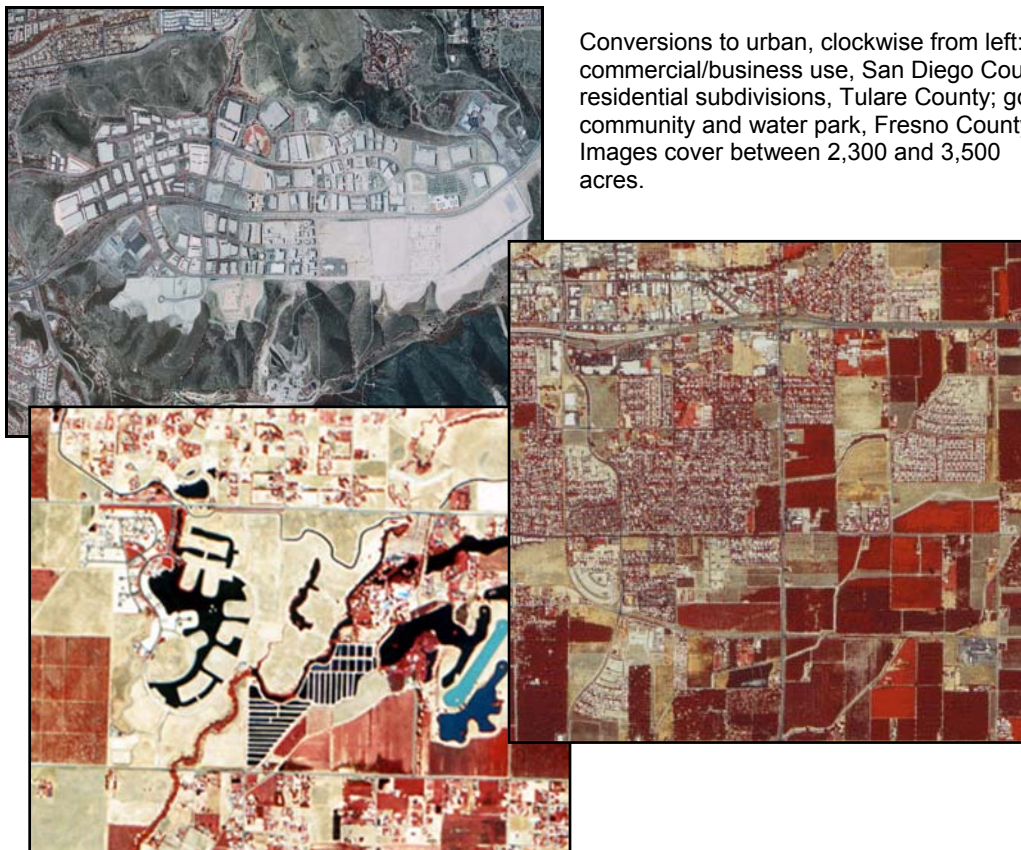
1996-1998		1998-2000	
Riverside	2,335	Riverside	2,502
Fresno	2,269	Fresno	2,151
Orange	1,951	San Joaquin	2,037
San Joaquin	1,402	Santa Clara	1,904
Kern	1,386	Sacramento	1,863
Tulare	1,383	San Diego	1,437
Stanislaus	1,195	Contra Costa	1,329
Kings	1,075	Orange	972
Monterey	1,049	San Bernardino	940
Santa Clara	910	Merced	874

lost proportionally higher farmland acreage to urban uses. In San Joaquin County 2,037 acres out of 2,555 total new urban acres occurred on irrigated farmland (80%), while in Merced County the figure was 84% (874 out of 1,040 acres).

**In summary, 19% of California's urbanization between 1998 and 2000 was from Prime Farmland**, and an additional 8% was from other irrigated categories. San

Joaquin Valley, Southern California, and San Francisco Bay Area counties continue to have the greatest acreage conversions from irrigated land to urban.

FIGURE 8  
URBAN  
AIR PHOTO  
EXAMPLES



Conversions to urban, clockwise from left: commercial/business use, San Diego County; residential subdivisions, Tulare County; golf community and water park, Fresno County. Images cover between 2,300 and 3,500 acres.

## Other Changes Affecting Agriculture

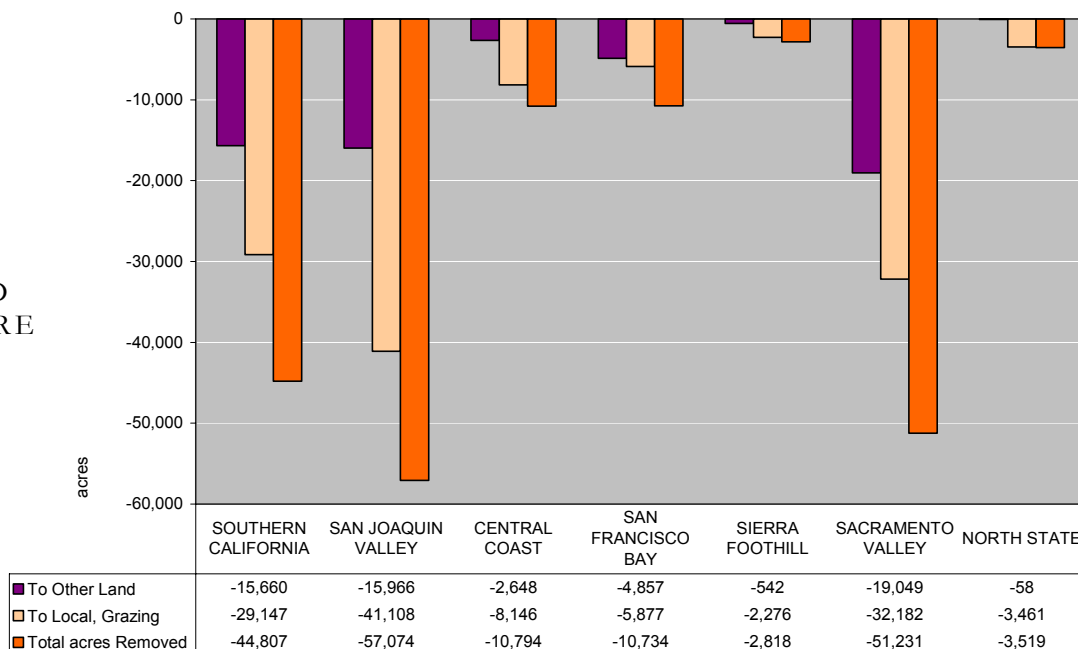
Urbanization is one of many factors affecting California’s farmland resources. Changes in technology, agricultural markets and economics, water availability, and disease-causing organisms or pests are also major influences. These influences result in changes categorized here as bringing land into irrigated use or as removing land from irrigated use. These changes are enumerated in Appendix C-Table 2.

Please note that changes of this type have less permanency than does urban conversion. Land may move in either direction over time, although FMMP does employ mapping techniques to minimize the effect of annual fluctuations or crop rotation cycles, as described below.

**Land is removed from irrigated agriculture** when it has not shown evidence of irrigated use for three update cycles (approximately six years). This helps account for short-term fluctuations that are not truly changes in the amount of irrigated farmland. FMMP analysts attempt to confirm changes of this type via site visits when possible. In instances where supplemental information is available, such as documented ecological restoration projects, the three-update requirement is waived.

Between 1998 and 2000, three regions contained the bulk of the land removed from irrigated categories (Figure 9). Southern California, the San Joaquin Valley, and the Sacramento Valley each had reclassifications out of irrigated land exceeding 40,000

FIGURE 9  
LAND  
REMOVED  
FROM  
IRRIGATED  
AGRICULTURE  
1998-2000



acres. Conversions to Farmland of Local Importance or Grazing Land, typically due to land being left idle, are the largest component of these changes in all three regions.

The reasons that land is left idle vary with location. Anticipated urban development, unavailability of irrigation water, salinity or other soil issues, economic factors, conversion to habitat, or preparation for a different agricultural use appear to be the most common reasons.

Counties with more than 10,000 acres removed from irrigated categories (Appendix C-2) included Riverside, San Diego, and Kern. Urban conversion is likely in Riverside County's Perris and Moreno Valleys, and on San Diego County's Otay Mesa. Water cost or other potential uses have affected the Fallbrook/Bonsall area of San Diego County; while soil and water constraints are more prominent in Kern County. Large conversions to grazing land were made in Kern County near Tupman, Antelope Plain, Grapevine and Sawtooth Ridge.

An additional five counties each accounted for more than 5,000 acres of agricultural downgrades—all in the San Joaquin or Sacramento Valleys. With the exception of idled areas contiguous to cities in Sacramento County, most of the reclassifications from irrigated to nonirrigated classes were associated with soil and water constraints, or conversion to habitat. Additions to the San Luis National Wildlife Refuge in Merced County, and the idling of land on Sherman Island in Sacramento County are examples of wildlife facilities that may allow some seasonal grazing.

**Conversions from irrigated agriculture to Other Land** are less common than those to grazing or dryland farming categories. Low density residential use, wetland conversions, and confined animal agricultural facilities<sup>1</sup> are the most common reasons for conversion of agricultural land to Other Land. The Sacramento Valley was the leader in this category, with more than 19,000 acres converted.

FIGURE 10  
ORCHARD  
SUBDIVIDED  
FOR  
RESIDENCES



Notable counties with this type of change included San Diego, Kern, and Butte. Rural subdivision of agricultural land was a primary factor in San Diego County, especially near Bonsall, Temecula, and Rancho Santa Fe (Figure 10). Conversion of farmland to wetlands near the Sacramento River accounted for a large proportion of these changes in Butte County. In Kern County, a mixture of the primary factors, as well as some land idling

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<sup>1</sup> In some counties, confined animal facilities (dairies, feedlots, poultry houses, aquaculture) are classified as Farmland of Local Importance (Local). Each county's Local definition is available in Appendix D.

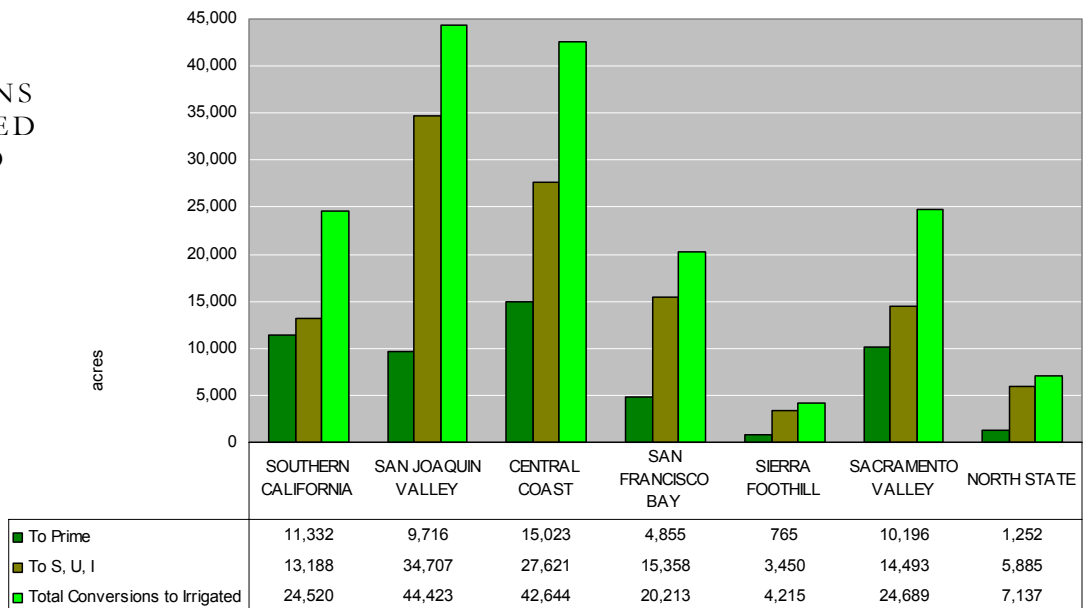


on areas not suitable for grazing, accounted for the farmland to Other Land conversions.

**Land is converted to irrigated agricultural use** either when dry pastures or native vegetation are converted or when idled land is brought back into production. Market forces are a likely reason landowners make an investment in new- or upgraded- agricultural facilities. Between 1998 and 2000, five FMMP regions had conversions to irrigated farming categories in excess of 20,000 acres (Figure 11). The San Joaquin Valley and Central Coast were the leaders in this conversion type.

In the San Joaquin Valley, three reasons for the upgrades were common: orchard planting along the east side of the valley, where the slope to the Sierra Nevada begins; upgrades of pastures to annual irrigated crops; and the development of vineyards—particularly in San Joaquin County. Along the Central Coast, the agricultural improvements are predominantly in the form of new vineyards—although strawberries, ornamental crops and vegetable areas expanded somewhat in Santa Barbara County.

FIGURE 11  
CONVERSIONS  
TO IRRIGATED  
FARMLAND  
1998-2000



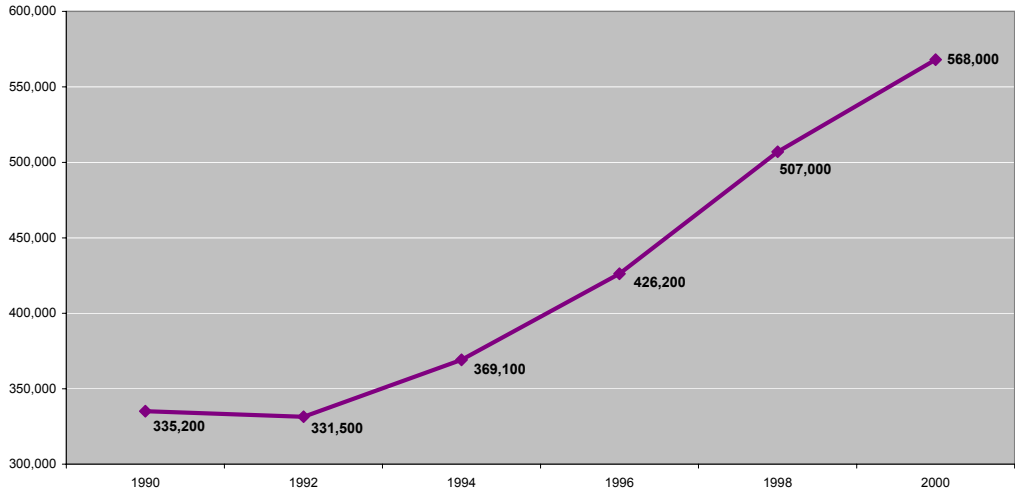
In Southern California, annual crops such as strawberries and flowers expanded given favorable market conditions. In the Antelope Valley of Los Angeles County, land that was planted to potatoes and baby carrots had been out of production for many years.

In every region, a majority of the land brought into irrigated uses is on lesser quality soils, not qualifying as Prime Farmland, as seen in Figure 11.

**Vineyards expanded significantly in the coastal and San Joaquin delta counties.**

This phenomenon, which FMMP first noted in San Joaquin County during the 1996 map update, became more widespread between 1996-1998, and affected all wine grape-growing areas in the current data. Figure 12 shows the increasing wine grape acreage as reported by the California Agricultural Statistics Service (CASS)<sup>2</sup>.

FIGURE 12  
CALIFORNIA  
WINE GRAPE  
ACREAGE  
1990-2000



**Net Increases of Irrigated Land**  
(acres - Top 10 Counties)

1996-1998		1998-2000	
Santa Barbara	7,719	Monterey (3)	14,611
Sierra Valley	6,454	San Luis Obispo	9,724
Sonoma	5,386	Sonoma	8,702
San Luis Obispo	5,285	Santa Barbara	6,204
Merced	3,933	Kings	4,455
Siskiyou	3,867	Los Angeles	4,215
Madera	3,739	Napa	3,534
Napa	1,773	Stanislaus	3,472
Tehama	1,639	Madera	2,271
Lake	742	Lake	2,119

TABLE 5  
TOP RANKS -  
INCREASES IN  
IRRIGATED  
LAND

Between 1996 and 2000, CASS data indicates that wine grapes comprised about 85% of the newly planted or ‘nonbearing’ grape acreage in the state. By 1998, wine grape acreage surpassed that of table and raisin grapes combined.

While the Central Valley has long been the leading area for table grapes and raisins, the new vineyards principally occur on hillsides in the coastal range and former pastures in Sacramento

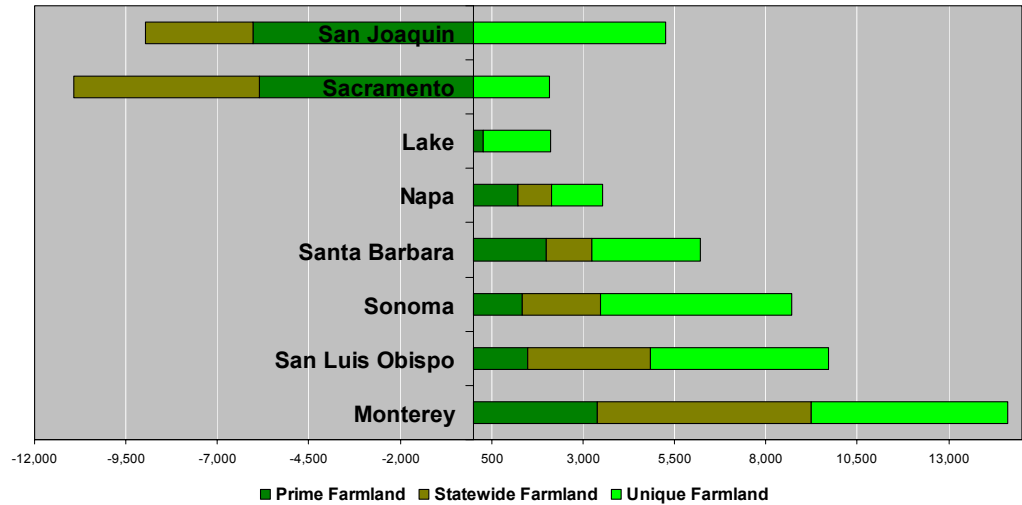
<sup>2</sup> Grape acreage data is available by county and statewide at [www.nass.usda.gov/ca/bul/acreage](http://www.nass.usda.gov/ca/bul/acreage).

<sup>3</sup> Due to gaps in imagery coverage during prior updates, some proportion of the irrigated land increase in Monterey County reported for 1998-2000 may have occurred between 1996-1998.

and San Joaquin Counties. The list of counties showing net increases in agricultural acreage between 1998 and 2000 (Table 5) is dominated by coastal counties.

Development of vineyards on hillsides or other locations with soil limitations has the effect of increasing Unique Farmland acreage relative to Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance in the counties experiencing this trend. Figure 13 charts net change in the three irrigated farmland categories for selected counties. The coastal counties had overall increases in irrigated acreage, as described above. Sacramento and San Joaquin counties had net losses in Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance due to urbanization or land fallowing, while their Unique Farmland acreage increased, primarily as a result of new vineyards.

FIGURE 13  
NET CHANGE  
IN IRRIGATED  
FARMLAND  
FOR SELECT  
COUNTIES  
1998-2000



**New vineyards and other changes in agriculture are mapped** using color infrared imagery as seen in Figure 14. The variations in color and texture on the image are what FMMP analysts use to determine the type of crop and its health status (NASA photography).

FIGURE 14  
VINEYARD  
DEVELOPMENT  
AIR PHOTO  
EXAMPLE

This photo shows the Los Alamos Valley area of Santa Barbara County. Younger vineyards in the upper half of the photo appear pale relative to the central, dark red portion, which was planted prior to 1990. The bright red and blue fields on the bottom of the image are other crops and bare soil.



## Net Land Use Change

Just over 90,000 acres, about 143 square miles, became urbanized in the FMMP survey area from 1998 to 2000. Nineteen percent of this land had been Prime Farmland, while an additional 8% came from other irrigated categories. Urbanization and other factors contributed to a net loss of more than 44,000 acres of Prime Farmland during the 2000 map update.

California is experiencing a trend in which higher-quality farmlands are urbanized or lost to other uses while properties with site limitations are converted to farming uses. Figure 6, at the beginning of this chapter, is a statewide depiction of this process covering the 1996-1998 and 1998-2000 time periods.

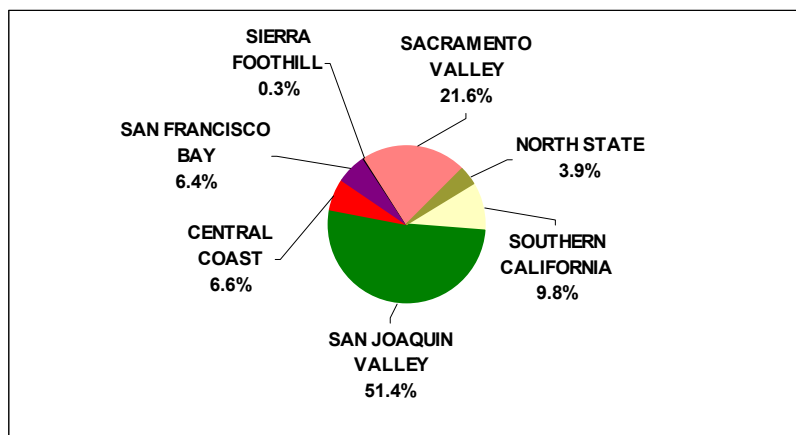
**Over the last two FMMP updates (1996-2000), Prime Farmland acreage declined by more than 77,000 acres, and urban land increased by more than 161,000 acres.** The net irrigated farmland loss, at 82,512 acres, was only slightly higher than the Prime Farmland loss, as gains in Unique Farmland (42,000 acres) worked to offset declines in all other irrigated categories (47,000 acres). Agricultural development on poorer soils primarily took the form of vineyards, and to a lesser degree consisted of orchards, ornamental or annual crops.

Whether this trend continues is a question that will depend on landowners and decision makers over the coming years. FMMP will continue to map the evolving

pattern of land use change affecting the state's open space and agricultural resources.

As Figure 15 indicates, California's Prime Farmland is distributed

FIGURE 15  
DISTRIBUTION  
OF PRIME  
FARMLAND  
2000



among all regions of the state. Most urban areas in the state are still contiguous to Prime Farmland, thus expected population growth and development patterns will continue to impact the highest-quality farmland in irreversible fashion.

**Appendix A**  
**1998 – 2000**  
**County Conversion Tables**

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**TABLE A-1**  
**ALAMEDA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	7,560	7,222	562	224	786	-338	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,359	1,484	93	218	311	125	
Unique Farmland	1,600	1,642	498	540	1,038	42	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>10,519</b>	<b>10,348</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>2,135</b>	<b>-171</b>	
Grazing Land	248,355	247,227	1,968	840	2,808	-1,128	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>258,874</b>	<b>257,575</b>	<b>3,121</b>	<b>1,822</b>	<b>4,943</b>	<b>-1,299</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	139,998	141,532	276	1,810	2,086	1,534	
Other Land	73,939	73,704	771	536	1,307	-235	
Water Area	52,528	52,528	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>525,339</b>	<b>525,339</b>	<b>4,168</b>	<b>4,168</b>	<b>8,336</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	210
Farmland of Statewide Importance	77
Unique Farmland	40
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>327</b>
Grazing Land	3,631
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,958</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	1,159
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>5,117</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	1	0	1	354	355	180	27	0	562
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	84	84	9	0	0	93
Unique Farmland	5	16	--	0	21	356	377	105	16	0	498
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,153</b>
Grazing Land	209	188	478	0	875	--	875	820	273	0	1,968
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>1,691</b>	<b>1,114</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,121</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (1)	10	0	0	0	10	46	56	--	220	0	276
Other Land	0	14	61	0	75	0	75	696	--	0	771
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>1,822</b>	<b>1,810</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,168</b>

(1) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of the closing of a golf course and refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-2**  
**AMADOR COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

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Division of Land Resource Protection

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	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	3,766	3,873	110	217	327	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,738	1,849	52	163	215	111	
Unique Farmland	2,775	3,054	212	491	703	279	
Farmland of Local Importance	2,957	2,789	246	78	324	-168	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>11,236</b>	<b>11,565</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>1,569</b>	<b>329</b>	
Grazing Land	191,369	190,791	892	314	1,206	-578	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>202,605</b>	<b>202,356</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>2,775</b>	<b>-249</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	7,312	7,363	78	129	207	51	
Other Land	85,134	85,332	95	293	388	198	
Water Area	5,323	5,323	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>300,374</b>	<b>300,374</b>	<b>1,685</b>	<b>1,685</b>	<b>3,370</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	5
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	12
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>17</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	41	10	1	52	52	104	5	1	0	110
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	52	52	0	0	0	52
Unique Farmland (1)	130	24	--	2	156	40	196	0	16	0	212
Farmland of Local Importance	47	8	78	--	133	113	246	0	0	0	246
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>620</b>
Grazing Land	40	90	400	75	605	--	605	83	204	0	892
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,512</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (2)	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	--	72	0	78
Other Land	0	0	3	0	3	51	54	41	--	0	95
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,685</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification in the Shenandoah Valley.  
(2) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary and the conversion of an abandoned clay pit.

**TABLE A-3**  
**COLUSA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	201,910	202,232	2,116	2,438	4,554	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,746	1,811	30	95	125	65	
Unique Farmland	125,083	125,497	2,861	3,275	6,136	414	
Farmland of Local Importance	239,966	236,354	4,318	706	5,024	-3,612	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>568,705</b>	<b>565,894</b>	<b>9,325</b>	<b>6,514</b>	<b>15,839</b>	<b>-2,811</b>	
Grazing Land	7,684	7,526	164	6	170	-158	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>576,389</b>	<b>573,420</b>	<b>9,489</b>	<b>6,520</b>	<b>16,009</b>	<b>-2,969</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	4,293	4,257	433	397	830	-36	
Other Land	157,872	160,877	1,772	4,777	6,549	3,005	
Water Area	1,838	1,838	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>740,392</b>	<b>740,392</b>	<b>11,694</b>	<b>11,694</b>	<b>23,588</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Statewide Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Unique Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Local Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to:	0	0	28	28	0	28	0	2	0	30
Unique Farmland (2)	to:	3	--	110	113	6	119	30	2,712	0	2,861
Farmland of Local Importance (3)	to:	1,816	2,032	--	3,943	0	3,943	57	318	0	4,318
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,819</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>2,035</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>4,594</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>4,409</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,325</b>
Grazing Land	to:	0	5	0	5	--	5	28	131	0	164
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,819</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>4,599</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4,605</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>4,540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,489</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (4)	to:	148	0	22	196	0	196	--	237	0	433
Other Land (3)	to:	471	1,209	39	1,719	0	1,719	53	--	0	1,772
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>2,438</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3,275</b>	<b>6,514</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6,520</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>4,777</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,694</b>

(1) Total area inventoried represents information for the new Colusa County soil survey area. Prior reports classified farmland use in Colusa County with the interim mapping categories of Irrigated and Nonirrigated.

(2) Conversion to Other Land primarily due to boundary adjustments and identification of areas of native vegetation and wetlands throughout the county.

(3) Conversion to Prime Farmland and Unique Farmland due to new irrigated agriculture, primarily orchards, in the central portion of the county.

(4) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.



**TABLE A-4**  
**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	39,587	38,069	1,531	13	1,544	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	12,242	11,657	590	5	595	-585	
Unique Farmland	6,650	6,178	472	0	472	-472	
Farmland of Local Importance	47,836	47,404	1,466	1,034	2,500	-432	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>106,315</b>	<b>103,308</b>	<b>4,059</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>5,111</b>	<b>-3,007</b>	
Grazing Land	173,041	171,253	2,119	331	2,450	-1,788	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>279,356</b>	<b>274,561</b>	<b>6,178</b>	<b>1,383</b>	<b>7,561</b>	<b>-4,795</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	137,517	142,315	426	5,224	5,650	4,798	
Other Land	43,895	43,892	639	636	1,275	-3	
Water Area	53,252	53,252	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>514,020</b>	<b>514,020</b>	<b>7,243</b>	<b>7,243</b>	<b>14,486</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	1,224
Farmland of Statewide Importance	172
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	1,115
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,511</b>
Grazing Land	973
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,484</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	782
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>4,266</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	4	--	0	381	385	0	385	184	21	0	590
Unique Farmland	9	0	--	259	268	132	400	65	7	0	472
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	1,462	4	0	1,466
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,034</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,179</b>	<b>2,796</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,059</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	0	0	0	--	0	1,789	330	0	2,119
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,034</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,179</b>	<b>4,585</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,178</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (1)	0	5	0	0	5	199	204	--	222	0	426
Other Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	639	--	0	639
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,034</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>1,383</b>	<b>5,224</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,243</b>

(1) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-5**  
**EL DORADO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	1,201	1,117	85	1	86	-84	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,042	1,016	41	15	56	-26	
Unique Farmland	4,621	4,406	230	15	245	-215	
Farmland of Local Importance	81,282	83,136	184	2,038	2,222	1,854	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>88,146</b>	<b>89,675</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>2,069</b>	<b>2,609</b>	<b>1,529</b>	
Grazing Land	185,283	183,944	1,372	33	1,405	-1,339	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>273,429</b>	<b>273,619</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>4,014</b>	<b>190</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	25,691	26,132	60	501	561	441	
Other Land	230,404	229,777	715	88	803	-627	
Water Area	6,880	6,876	4	0	4	-4	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>536,404</b>	<b>536,404</b>	<b>2,691</b>	<b>2,691</b>	<b>5,362</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA
Farmland of Statewide Importance	NOT AVAILABLE
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	0	85	85	0	85	0	0	0	85
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	41	41	0	41	0	0	0	41
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	221	221	0	221	0	9	0	230
Farmland of Local Importance	1	15	8	--	24	0	24	137	23	0	184
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>540</b>
Grazing Land (1)	0	0	0	1,108	1,108	--	1,108	237	27	0	1,372
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,455</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,912</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	9	9	22	31	--	29	0	60
Other Land	0	0	7	574	581	7	588	127	--	0	715
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	--	4
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2,038</b>	<b>2,069</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,691</b>

(1) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to updates and refinements of "prime" Williamson Act Land parcel boundaries.

**TABLE A-6**  
**FRESNO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	367,196	363,758	3,649	211	3,860	-3,438	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	141,046	139,546	1,905	405	2,310	-1,500	
Unique Farmland	95,212	93,751	1,739	278	2,017	-1,461	
Farmland of Local Importance	42,135	45,112	1,404	4,381	5,785	2,977	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>645,589</b>	<b>642,167</b>	<b>8,697</b>	<b>5,275</b>	<b>13,972</b>	<b>-3,422</b>	
Grazing Land	319,814	319,691	126	3	129	-123	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>965,403</b>	<b>961,858</b>	<b>8,823</b>	<b>5,278</b>	<b>14,101</b>	<b>-3,545</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	93,309	97,002	16	3,709	3,725	3,693	
Other Land	60,594	60,446	635	487	1,122	-148	
Water Area	3,891	3,891	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>1,123,197</b>	<b>1,123,197</b>	<b>9,474</b>	<b>9,474</b>	<b>18,948</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	1,885
Farmland of Statewide Importance	671
Unique Farmland	469
Farmland of Local Importance	703
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,728</b>
Grazing Land	2,596
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>6,324</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	305
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>6,629</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (2) (3)	--	17	139	1,852	2,008	0	2,008	1,367	274	0	3,649
Farmland of Statewide Importance (3)	28	--	29	1,393	1,450	0	1,450	369	86	0	1,905
Unique Farmland (2) (3)	14	143	--	1,112	1,269	3	1,272	429	38	0	1,739
Farmland of Local Importance	113	228	62	--	403	0	403	937	64	0	1,404
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>4,357</b>	<b>5,130</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5,133</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,697</b>
Grazing Land	40	17	34	4	95	--	95	6	25	0	126
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>4,361</b>	<b>5,225</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5,228</b>	<b>3,108</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,823</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	9	0	5	2	16	0	16	--	0	0	16
Other Land	7	0	9	18	34	0	34	601	--	0	635
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>4,381</b>	<b>5,275</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5,278</b>	<b>3,709</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,474</b>

(1) 1998 figures for Farmland of Local Importance, Other Land, and adjacent land use categories differ from those published in the 1996-98 report due to a revision of the Farmland of Local Importance definition to accommodate confined livestock and dairies, poultry facilities, and aquaculture.

(2) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.

(3) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three or more update cycles, small feedlot expansions, and two newly identified fish farms.

**TABLE A-7**  
**GLENN COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
	1998	2000			
Prime Farmland	168,217	166,549	1,549	4,766	-1,668
Farmland of Statewide Importance	88,648	87,784	625	2,114	-864
Unique Farmland	11,073	11,605	1,306	2,080	532
Farmland of Local Importance	140,078	141,965	4,362	6,837	1,887
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>408,016</b>	<b>407,903</b>	<b>7,842</b>	<b>15,797</b>	<b>-113</b>
Grazing Land	176,296	176,071	39	303	-225
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>584,312</b>	<b>583,974</b>	<b>7,881</b>	<b>16,100</b>	<b>-338</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	5,378	5,609	409	587	231
Other Land	253,678	253,785	718	1,329	107
Water Area	5,759	5,759	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>849,127</b>	<b>849,127</b>	<b>9,008</b>	<b>18,016</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	898
Farmland of Statewide Importance	267
Unique Farmland	403
Farmland of Local Importance	849
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,417</b>
Grazing Land	436
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,853</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	62
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>2,915</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (2) (3)	--	23	193	2,459	2,675	6	2,681	137	399	0	3,217
Farmland of Statewide Importance	16	--	18	1,215	1,249	0	1,249	21	219	0	1,489
Unique Farmland (2) (3)	100	16	--	590	706	10	716	24	34	0	774
Farmland of Local Importance	931	452	871	--	2,254	23	2,277	178	20	0	2,475
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>4,264</b>	<b>6,884</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>6,923</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,955</b>
Grazing Land	22	17	167	37	243	--	243	0	21	0	264
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>1,249</b>	<b>4,301</b>	<b>7,127</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7,166</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,219</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (4)	98	24	21	10	153	0	153	--	25	0	178
Other Land	382	93	36	51	562	0	562	49	--	0	611
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1,549</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>7,842</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7,881</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,008</b>

(1) Refinements made to the Sacramento River boundary may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.  
(2) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(3) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.  
(4) Conversion from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily due to refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-8**  
**IMPERIAL COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	199,708	199,595	732	619	1,351	-113	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	319,371	319,272	899	800	1,699	-99	
Unique Farmland	592	582	10	0	10	-10	
Farmland of Local Importance	35,218	35,514	588	884	1,472	296	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>554,889</b>	<b>554,963</b>	<b>2,229</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>4,532</b>	<b>74</b>	
Grazing Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>554,889</b>	<b>554,963</b>	<b>2,229</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>4,532</b>	<b>74</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	23,952	24,318	115	481	596	366	
Other Land	448,742	448,373	1,120	751	1,871	-369	
Water Area	985	914	71	0	71	-71	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,028,568</b>	<b>1,028,568</b>	<b>3,535</b>	<b>3,535</b>	<b>7,070</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA
Farmland of Statewide Importance	NOT AVAILABLE
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	to: --	122	0	246	368	0	368	54	310	0	732
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to: 45	--	0	257	302	0	302	226	371	0	899
Unique Farmland	to: 0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10
Farmland of Local Importance	to: 185	335	0	--	520	0	520	22	46	0	588
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,229</b>
Grazing Land	to: 0	0	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,229</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (2)	to: 0	0	0	101	101	0	101	--	14	0	115
Other Land	to: 389	335	0	280	1,004	0	1,004	116	--	0	1,120
Water Area (3)	to: 0	8	0	0	8	0	8	63	0	--	71
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to: 619</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,535</b>

(1) Conversion between Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance due to corrections made to soil unit identification primarily on the Westmorland West quadrangle.

(2) Conversion from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily due to urban line correction of Centinela State Prison on the Plaster City quadrangle.

(3) Conversion to Urban and Built-Up Land for a water control structure on the Holtville West quadrangle.

**TABLE A-9**  
**KINGS COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	142,529	142,665	636	772	1,408	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	429,172	433,245	2,091	6,164	8,255	4,073	
Unique Farmland	24,494	24,740	278	524	802	246	
Farmland of Local Importance	6,511	6,851	134	474	608	340	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>602,706</b>	<b>607,501</b>	<b>3,139</b>	<b>7,934</b>	<b>11,073</b>	<b>4,795</b>	
Grazing Land	244,175	238,301	6,787	913	7,700	-5,874	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>846,881</b>	<b>845,802</b>	<b>9,926</b>	<b>8,847</b>	<b>18,773</b>	<b>-1,079</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	28,244	28,939	369	1,064	1,433	695	
Other Land	15,595	15,979	150	534	684	384	
Water Area	66	66	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>890,786</b>	<b>890,786</b>	<b>10,445</b>	<b>10,445</b>	<b>20,890</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	225
Farmland of Statewide Importance	52
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>277</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>277</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	41
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>318</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	1	--	240	311	552	610	1,162	740	189	0	2,091
Unique Farmland	21	17	--	22	60	166	226	17	35	0	278
Farmland of Local Importance	31	48	0	--	79	12	91	0	43	0	134
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>1,713</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,139</b>
Grazing Land (2)	676	5,744	278	30	6,728	--	6,728	0	59	0	6,787
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>5,819</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>7,529</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>8,441</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,926</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (3)	0	325	0	2	327	1	328	--	41	0	369
Other Land	43	20	0	15	78	0	78	72	--	0	150
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>6,164</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>7,934</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>8,847</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,445</b>

(1) Conversion to Unique Farmland is due to a correction made to soil unit identification on the Westhaven quad near Lemoore NAS.  
(2) Conversion to Farmland of Statewide Importance due to new irrigated agriculture, primarily alfalfa, identified on the Guernsey, Dudley Ridge, and Hacienda Ranch quads.  
(3) Conversion to Farmland of Statewide Importance due to new irrigated agriculture found in two water control basins on the Stratford quad and refinements made to urban boundaries.

**TABLE A-10**  
**LAKE COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION**  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	16,720	16,980	48	308	356	260	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,408	1,407	1	0	1	-1	
Unique Farmland	9,216	11,076	130	1,990	2,120	1,860	
Farmland of Local Importance	18,951	18,503	459	11	470	-448	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>46,295</b>	<b>47,966</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>2,309</b>	<b>2,947</b>	<b>1,671</b>	
Grazing Land	243,171	241,837	1,428	94	1,522	-1,334	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>289,466</b>	<b>289,803</b>	<b>2,066</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>4,469</b>	<b>337</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	13,451	13,528	12	89	101	77	
Other Land	501,273	500,859	513	99	612	-414	
Water Area	46,793	46,793	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>850,983</b>	<b>850,983</b>	<b>2,591</b>	<b>2,591</b>	<b>5,182</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Statewide Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Unique Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Local Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	
Other Land	
Water Area	
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	6	0	6	23	29	0	19	0	48
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Unique Farmland (1)	101	0	--	8	109	18	127	0	3	0	130
Farmland of Local Importance	183	0	220	--	403	50	453	0	6	0	459
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>638</b>
Grazing Land (2)	17	0	1,329	3	1,349	--	1,349	21	56	0	1,428
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,555</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>1,958</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,066</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	12	0	12
Other Land	7	0	435	0	442	3	445	68	--	0	513
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,990</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2,309</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,591</b>

(1) Conversion to Prime Farmland primarily due to the replacement of nonirrigated orchards with irrigated vineyards, as well as refinement of soil unit identification.  
 (2) Conversion to Unique Farmland due to the establishment of new vineyards and the expansion of existing vineyards primarily in the eastern and southern portions of the county.

**TABLE A-11**  
**LOS ANGELES COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	24,632	28,798	1,375	5,541	6,916	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	991	994	103	106	209	3	
Unique Farmland	932	978	42	88	130	46	
Farmland of Local Importance	30,736	29,850	886	0	886	-886	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>57,291</b>	<b>60,620</b>	<b>2,406</b>	<b>5,735</b>	<b>8,141</b>	<b>3,329</b>	
Grazing Land	218,118	216,811	2,536	1,229	3,765	-1,307	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>275,409</b>	<b>277,431</b>	<b>4,942</b>	<b>6,964</b>	<b>11,906</b>	<b>2,022</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	159,534	162,513	913	3,892	4,805	2,979	
Other Land	639,104	634,103	6,345	1,344	7,689	-5,001	
Water Area	3,457	3,457	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,077,504</b>	<b>1,077,504</b>	<b>12,200</b>	<b>12,200</b>	<b>24,400</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	71
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	471
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>542</b>
Grazing Land	1,943
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,485</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	8,034
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>10,519</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	11	--	0	0	11	46	57	11	35	0	103
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	0	0	15	15	9	18	0	42
Farmland of Local Importance	472	0	0	--	472	246	718	16	152	0	886
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,406</b>
Grazing Land	694	0	17	0	711	--	711	1,739	86	0	2,536
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>2,306</b>	<b>2,070</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,942</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (1)	41	0	0	0	41	94	135	--	778	0	913
Other Land (2)	4,323	106	71	0	4,500	23	4,523	1,822	--	0	6,345
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>5,541</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,735</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>6,964</b>	<b>3,892</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,200</b>

(1) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.  
(2) Conversion to Prime Farmland due to newly irrigated agricultural land, primarily carrots and potatoes, in the Antelope Valley area.



**TABLE A-12**  
**MADERA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	102,122				102,053	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	85,397	85,086	448	137	585	-311	
Unique Farmland	160,892	163,543	646	3,297	3,943	2,651	
Farmland of Local Importance	30,571	24,041	6,759	229	6,988	-6,530	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>378,982</b>	<b>374,723</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>4,241</b>	<b>12,741</b>	<b>-4,259</b>	
Grazing Land	398,228	401,568	808	3,148	3,956	2,340	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>778,210</b>	<b>776,291</b>	<b>9,308</b>	<b>7,389</b>	<b>16,697</b>	<b>-1,919</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	22,241	23,071	141	971	1,112	830	
Other Land	54,671	55,760	415	1,504	1,919	1,089	
Water Area	5,918	5,918	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>861,040</b>	<b>861,040</b>	<b>9,864</b>	<b>9,864</b>	<b>19,728</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	532
Farmland of Statewide Importance	69
Unique Farmland	345
Farmland of Local Importance	199
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,145</b>
Grazing Land	5,126
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>6,271</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	204
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>6,475</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to:	23	31	0	54	11	65	117	266	0	448
Unique Farmland (1)	to:	116	1	113	230	18	248	27	371	0	646
Farmland of Local Importance (2) (3)	to:	348	69	2,966	3,383	2,947	6,330	172	257	0	6,759
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>3,018</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>3,695</b>	<b>3,145</b>	<b>6,840</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>1,227</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,500</b>
Grazing Land	to:	13	140	107	312	--	312	281	215	0	808
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>3,158</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>4,007</b>	<b>3,145</b>	<b>7,152</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>1,442</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,308</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (4) (5)	to:	0	1	1	79	0	79	--	62	0	141
Other Land	to:	78	9	62	155	3	158	257	--	0	415
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>3,297</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>4,241</b>	<b>3,148</b>	<b>7,389</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,504</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,864</b>

- (1) Conversion to Prime Farmland is the result of boundary adjustments and changes to soil unit classification.
- (2) Conversion to Unique Farmland due to new irrigated agriculture, primarily orchards and vineyards in the central portion of the county.
- (3) Conversion to Grazing Land due to land left idle for four or more update cycles.
- (4) Conversion to Unique Farmland due to orchards planted on the grounds of the California State Correctional Facility at Chowchilla.
- (5) Conversion to Other Land is primarily the result of the ability to obtain more distinct urban boundaries using digital imagery.

**TABLE A-13**  
**MARIN COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland (1)	14	14	0	0	0	0	
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	376	392	0	16	16	16	
Unique Farmland (1)	56	167	0	111	111	111	
Farmland of Local Importance (1)	67,029	66,702	364	37	401	-327	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>67,475</b>	<b>67,275</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>-200</b>	
Grazing Land	91,847	91,684	175	12	187	-163	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>159,322</b>	<b>158,959</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>-363</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	40,240	40,547	6	313	319	307	
Other Land	134,424	134,444	199	219	418	20	
Water Area	44,675	44,711	0	36	36	36	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>378,661</b>	<b>378,661</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>1,488</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	48
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>48</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0	16	26	--	42	9	51	103	210	0	364
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>364</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	82	37	119	--	119	47	9	0	175
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>539</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0	6	6
Other Land	0	0	3	0	3	3	6	163	--	30	199
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>744</b>

(1) Acreage for Important Farmland categories differs from those published in the 1996-98 report due to correction of soil unit identification.

**TABLE A-14**  
**MARIPOSA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	29	29	0	0	0	0	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	98	98	0	0	0	0	
Unique Farmland	131	145	0	14	14	14	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	
Grazing Land	408,330	408,308	33	11	44	-22	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>408,588</b>	<b>408,580</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>-8</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	2,226	2,227	14	15	29	1	
Other Land	71,585	71,592	18	25	43	7	
Water Area	6,047	6,047	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>488,446</b>	<b>488,446</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	1,431
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,431</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	64
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,495</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	14	0	14	--	14	6	13	0	33
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	--	12	0	14
Other Land	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	9	--	0	18
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65</b>

**TABLE A-15**  
**MERCED COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	289,056	286,924	3,392	1,260	4,652	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	160,065	158,536	3,109	1,580	4,689	-1,529	
Unique Farmland	96,585	98,965	2,843	5,223	8,066	2,380	
Farmland of Local Importance	47,932	46,088	5,738	3,894	9,632	-1,844	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>593,638</b>	<b>590,513</b>	<b>15,082</b>	<b>11,957</b>	<b>27,039</b>	<b>-3,125</b>	
Grazing Land	580,942	581,501	3,445	4,004	7,449	559	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,174,580</b>	<b>1,172,014</b>	<b>18,527</b>	<b>15,961</b>	<b>34,488</b>	<b>-2,566</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	30,556	31,596	99	1,139	1,238	1,040	
Other Land	39,306	40,832	597	2,123	2,720	1,526	
Water Area	16,978	16,978	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,261,420</b>	<b>1,261,420</b>	<b>19,223</b>	<b>19,223</b>	<b>38,446</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	202
Farmland of Statewide Importance	40
Unique Farmland	91
Farmland of Local Importance	878
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,211</b>
Grazing Land	1
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,212</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	46
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,258</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1) (2)	to:	60	338	1,539	1,937	112	2,049	344	716	0	3,109
Unique Farmland (1)	to:	22	501	105	628	1,769	2,397	88	358	0	2,843
Farmland of Local Importance (3) (4)	to:	716	576	2,528	3,820	1,683	5,503	60	175	0	5,738
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>3,601</b>	<b>8,495</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>12,395</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,716</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,082</b>
Grazing Land (5)	to:	298	318	2,264	3,012	--	3,012	49	384	0	3,445
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,096</b>	<b>1,466</b>	<b>5,212</b>	<b>3,733</b>	<b>11,507</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>15,407</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,527</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	to:	32	2	34	71	5	76	--	23	0	99
Other Land	to:	132	112	127	379	99	478	119	--	0	597
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>5,223</b>	<b>11,957</b>	<b>4,004</b>	<b>15,961</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19,223</b>

- (1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.
- (2) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles at various locations throughout the county.
- (3) Conversion to Unique Farmland primarily due to orchard and crop land development on former pastures scattered throughout the county.
- (4) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to former irrigated pastures being left idle for three update cycles at various locations throughout the county.
- (5) Conversion to Unique Farmland due to new orchards and crop land development, primarily in the northern half of the county.

**TABLE A-16**  
**MODOC COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	73,167	73,058	838	729	1,567	-109	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	48,481	49,103	280	902	1,182	622	
Unique Farmland	8,486	9,040	309	863	1,172	554	
Farmland of Local Importance	99,436	97,476	2,550	590	3,140	-1,960	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>229,570</b>	<b>228,677</b>	<b>3,977</b>	<b>3,084</b>	<b>7,061</b>	<b>-893</b>	
Grazing Land	601,271	602,123	330	1,182	1,512	852	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>830,841</b>	<b>830,800</b>	<b>4,307</b>	<b>4,266</b>	<b>8,573</b>	<b>-41</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	3,167	3,171	0	4	4	4	
Other Land	17,433	17,470	14	51	65	37	
Water Area	56,225	56,225	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>907,666</b>	<b>907,666</b>	<b>4,321</b>	<b>4,321</b>	<b>8,642</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	26
Unique Farmland	121
Farmland of Local Importance	566
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>713</b>
Grazing Land	7,671
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>8,384</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>8,384</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	3	6	169	178	632	810	0	28	0	838
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	5	207	212	63	275	0	5	0	280
Unique Farmland	19	7	--	207	233	76	309	0	0	0	309
Farmland of Local Importance	543	865	713	--	2,121	411	2,532	0	18	0	2,550
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>2,744</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>3,926</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,977</b>
Grazing Land	157	27	139	7	330	--	330	0	0	0	330
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>3,074</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>4,256</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,307</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0	0	0
Other Land	10	0	0	0	10	0	10	4	--	0	14
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>3,084</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>4,266</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,321</b>

(1) Refinements to urban and agricultural land boundaries due to availability of digital imagery may result in different acreage totals for land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.

**TABLE A-17**  
**MONTEREY COUNTY**  
**1998-2000 Land Use Conversion\***

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	170,774	174,151	5,655	9,032	14,687	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	38,714	44,580	2,438	8,304	10,742	5,866	
Unique Farmland	15,236	20,604	1,369	6,737	8,106	5,368	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>224,724</b>	<b>239,335</b>	<b>9,462</b>	<b>24,073</b>	<b>33,535</b>	<b>14,611</b>	
Grazing Land	1,076,031	1,060,630	17,921	2,520	20,441	-15,401	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,300,755</b>	<b>1,299,965</b>	<b>27,383</b>	<b>26,593</b>	<b>53,976</b>	<b>-790</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	50,030	52,487	2,008	4,465	6,473	2,457	
Other Land	764,098	762,430	6,074	4,406	10,480	-1,668	
Water Area	6,245	6,246	0	1	1	1	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>2,121,128</b>	<b>2,121,128</b>	<b>35,465</b>	<b>35,465</b>	<b>70,930</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	855
Farmland of Statewide Importance	20
Unique Farmland	42
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>917</b>
Grazing Land	77
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>994</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	304
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,298</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000\***

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	821	624	1,445	658	2,103	47	288	0	2,438	
Unique Farmland (1)	to:	308	316	624	379	1,003	12	354	0	1,369	
Farmland of Local Importance	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>1,405</b>	<b>4,585</b>	<b>2,148</b>	<b>6,733</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>1,939</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,462</b>	
Grazing Land (3)	to:	5,911	4,547	16,074	--	16,074	919	927	1	17,921	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>7,040</b>	<b>5,952</b>	<b>5,952</b>	<b>20,659</b>	<b>2,148</b>	<b>22,807</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>2,866</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>27,383</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land (4)	to:	187	31	234	234	468	--	1,540	0	2,008	
Other Land (5)	to:	1,805	606	3,180	138	3,318	2,756	--	0	6,074	
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>9,032</b>	<b>8,304</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>24,073</b>	<b>2,520</b>	<b>26,593</b>	<b>4,465</b>	<b>4,406</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>35,465</b>	

\* A complete set of detailed digital imagery used in the 2000 map update resulted in historically large or anomalous conversions among some categories, as described below.  
 (1) Conversions between Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance and Unique Farmland primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
 (2) Conversion to Grazing Land and Other Land primarily due to agricultural boundary adjustments.  
 (3) Conversion to Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance and Unique Farmland primarily due to newly identified irrigated agriculture, particularly vineyards, in the Salinas and Hames Valleys.  
 (4) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary (-800 acres) and redesignation of the San Ardo oil field to Other Land (~1200 acres) to provide consistency with other counties.  
 (5) Conversion to Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance and Unique Farmland primarily due to agricultural boundary adjustments.

TABLE A-18  
NAPA COUNTY  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	29,934	31,158	730	1,954	2,684	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	8,064	8,990	319	1,245	1,564	926	
Unique Farmland	15,752	17,136	357	1,741	2,098	1,384	
Farmland of Local Importance	20,653	18,004	3,041	392	3,433	-2,649	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>74,403</b>	<b>75,288</b>	<b>4,447</b>	<b>5,332</b>	<b>9,779</b>	<b>885</b>	
Grazing Land	185,644	184,409	1,367	132	1,499	-1,235	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>260,047</b>	<b>259,697</b>	<b>5,814</b>	<b>5,464</b>	<b>11,278</b>	<b>-350</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	20,599	21,110	110	621	731	511	
Other Land	202,678	202,621	1,140	1,083	2,223	-57	
Water Area	22,535	22,431	104	0	104	-104	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>505,859</b>	<b>505,859</b>	<b>7,168</b>	<b>7,168</b>	<b>14,336</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	73
Farmland of Statewide Importance	24
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	1,817
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,914</b>
Grazing Land	128
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,042</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	131
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>2,173</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	31	131	88	250	8	258	34	27	0	319
Unique Farmland (1)	to:	21	9	4	34	77	111	66	180	0	357
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	to:	1,657	779	250	2,686	44	2,730	249	62	0	3,041
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>3,523</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>3,655</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,447</b>
Grazing Land	to:	51	88	21	736	--	736	21	610	0	1,367
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>4,259</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>4,391</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>930</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,814</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	to:	24	25	3	61	0	61	--	49	0	110
Other Land	to:	170	252	586	1,012	0	1,012	128	--	0	1,140
Water Area (3)	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	--	104
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1,954</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>5,332</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>5,464</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,168</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
 (2) Conversion to Prime Farmland primarily due to new vineyards planted throughout the county with the largest conversion in the Napa Junction and Pope Valley areas.  
 (3) Conversion from Water Area due to reclassification of Edgerly Island in the Napa-Sonoma Marsh.

**TABLE A-19**  
**NEVADA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	374	375	0	1	1	1	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	988	987	4	3	7	-1	
Unique Farmland	304	285	19	0	19	-19	
Farmland of Local Importance	20,278	20,325	341	388	729	47	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>21,944</b>	<b>21,972</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>28</b>	
Grazing Land	129,890	129,760	452	322	774	-130	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>151,834</b>	<b>151,732</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>-102</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	14,648	14,727	0	79	79	79	
Other Land	122,761	122,784	43	66	109	23	
Water Area	2,145	2,145	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>291,388</b>	<b>291,388</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>1,718</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	124
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	244
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>368</b>
Grazing Land	622
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>990</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	40
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,030</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	4
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	0	0	19	19	0	0	0	19
Farmland of Local Importance	1	0	0	--	1	299	300	41	0	0	341
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>364</b>
Grazing Land	0	3	0	364	367	--	367	19	66	0	452
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>816</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0	0	0
Other Land	0	0	0	24	24	0	24	19	--	0	43
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>859</b>



**TABLE A-20**  
**ORANGE COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	11,099	10,127	985	13	998	-972	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	842	763	83	4	87	-79	
Unique Farmland	6,259	6,063	264	68	332	-196	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>18,200</b>	<b>16,953</b>	<b>1,332</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>1,417</b>	<b>-1,247</b>	
Grazing Land	38,518	37,964	660	106	766	-554	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>56,718</b>	<b>54,917</b>	<b>1,992</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>2,183</b>	<b>-1,801</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	269,986	273,383	592	3,989	4,581	3,397	
Other Land	181,770	180,174	2,351	755	3,106	-1,596	
Water Area	986	986	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>509,460</b>	<b>509,460</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>4,935</b>	<b>9,870</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	518
Farmland of Statewide Importance	12
Unique Farmland	217
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>747</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>747</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	2,034
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>2,781</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	1	0	1	103	104	870	11	0	985
Farmland of Statewide Importance	4	--	0	0	4	0	4	32	47	0	83
Unique Farmland	0	4	--	0	4	0	4	111	149	0	264
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,332</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	15	0	15	--	15	645	0	0	660
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>1,658</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,992</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (1)	9	0	32	0	41	3	44	--	548	0	592
Other Land	0	0	20	0	20	0	20	2,331	--	0	2,351
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>3,989</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,935</b>

(1) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary, as well as the identification of the Wilderness Glen Park in El Toro.

**TABLE A-21**  
**PLACER COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	9,750	9,901	696	847	1,543	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	5,195	5,312	769	886	1,655	117	
Unique Farmland	22,727	23,616	1,679	2,568	4,247	889	
Farmland of Local Importance	114,452	111,987	4,920	2,455	7,375	-2,465	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>152,124</b>	<b>150,816</b>	<b>8,064</b>	<b>6,756</b>	<b>14,820</b>	<b>-1,308</b>	
Grazing Land	31,695	29,656	3,996	1,957	5,953	-2,039	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>183,819</b>	<b>180,472</b>	<b>12,060</b>	<b>8,713</b>	<b>20,773</b>	<b>-3,347</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	37,608	41,448	2,633	6,473	9,106	3,840	
Other Land	185,057	184,585	3,163	2,691	5,854	-472	
Water Area	5,047	5,026	69	48	117	-21	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>411,531</b>	<b>411,531</b>	<b>17,925</b>	<b>17,925</b>	<b>35,850</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	26
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>
Grazing Land	3,557
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,583</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	295
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,878</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	99	213	162	447	48	495	4	270	0	769
Unique Farmland (1) (2)	to:	560	--	1,100	1,458	2	1,460	12	207	0	1,679
Farmland of Local Importance (3)	to:	731	337	1,965	2,862	205	3,067	1,253	600	0	4,920
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>2,308</b>	<b>5,372</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>5,627</b>	<b>1,321</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,064</b>
Grazing Land	to:	31	8	181	220	--	220	3,387	376	13	3,996
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>2,316</b>	<b>5,592</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>5,847</b>	<b>4,708</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12,060</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (4)	to:	4	10	23	159	1,281	1,440	--	1,193	0	2,633
Other Land	to:	112	221	443	1,005	358	1,363	1,765	--	35	3,163
Water Area (5)	to:	0	0	0	0	63	63	0	6	--	69
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>2,568</b>	<b>6,756</b>	<b>1,957</b>	<b>8,713</b>	<b>6,473</b>	<b>2,691</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>17,925</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(2) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles and refinements to agricultural boundaries.  
(3) Conversion to Unique Farmland primarily due to new irrigated agriculture and refinements to agricultural boundaries.  
(4) Conversion from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary around Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln.  
(5) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to refinements made to North Fork Lake and Rock Creek Lake.

**TABLE A-22**  
**RIVERSIDE COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
	Prime Farmland	159,459	150,984	11,874	3,399	15,273	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	53,767	49,431	4,890	554	5,444	-4,336	
Unique Farmland	41,674	40,950	1,328	604	1,932	-724	
Farmland of Local Importance	246,838	243,456	14,898	11,516	26,414	-3,382	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>501,738</b>	<b>484,821</b>	<b>32,990</b>	<b>16,073</b>	<b>49,063</b>	<b>-16,917</b>	
Grazing Land	134,599	124,769	9,949	119	10,068	-9,830	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>636,337</b>	<b>609,590</b>	<b>42,939</b>	<b>16,192</b>	<b>59,131</b>	<b>-26,747</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	240,888	254,968	340	14,420	14,760	14,080	
Other Land	1,000,442	1,007,256	9,586	16,400	25,986	6,814	
Water Area	56,948	62,801	0	5,853	5,853	5,853	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,934,615</b>	<b>1,934,615</b>	<b>52,865</b>	<b>52,865</b>	<b>105,730</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	3,732
Farmland of Statewide Importance	514
Unique Farmland	1,205
Farmland of Local Importance	16,766
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>22,217</b>
Grazing Land	4,440
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>26,657</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	20,325
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>46,982</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)(2)(3)	to:	62	16	3,812	3,890	0	3,890	73	119	808	4,890
Unique Farmland (1)(3)	to:	1	104	1	106	77	183	225	899	21	1,328
Farmland of Local Importance (3)(4)(5)	to:	3,012	233	212	3,457	32	3,489	3,330	6,900	1,179	14,898
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,075</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>11,200</b>	<b>14,910</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>15,019</b>	<b>5,948</b>	<b>8,040</b>	<b>4,083</b>	<b>32,990</b>
Grazing Land (3)(5)	to:	1	39	85	144	--	144	268	8,214	1,323	9,949
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,076</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>11,285</b>	<b>15,054</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>15,163</b>	<b>6,116</b>	<b>16,254</b>	<b>5,406</b>	<b>42,939</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (6)	to:	8	8	168	184	10	194	--	146	0	340
Other Land (3)	to:	315	107	63	835	0	835	8,304	--	447	9,586
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>3,399</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>11,516</b>	<b>16,073</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>16,192</b>	<b>14,420</b>	<b>16,400</b>	<b>5,853</b>	<b>52,865</b>

(1) Conversion between Important Farmland Categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.

(2) Conversions to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.

(3) Conversions to Water Area due to the completion of the Diamond Valley Reservoir near Hemet and the addition of Mystic Lake in San Jacinto Wildlife Area.

(4) Conversions to Prime Farmland due to newly irrigated agricultural land, primarily in the Blythe, Coachella, Perris and Moreno Valley areas, the largest component a 1000+ acres citrus orchard southwest of the Blythe airport.

(5) Conversion to Other Land primarily due to the establishment of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area, the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve, and the Southwestern Riverside County Multi-Species Reserve.

(6) Conversion from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-23**  
**SACRAMENTO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	121,979	116,116	5,990	127	6,117	-5,863	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	67,712	62,650	5,314	252	5,566	-5,062	
Unique Farmland	13,521	15,609	505	2,593	3,098	2,088	
Farmland of Local Importance	33,731	39,745	3,354	9,368	12,722	6,014	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>236,943</b>	<b>234,120</b>	<b>15,163</b>	<b>12,340</b>	<b>27,503</b>	<b>-2,823</b>	
Grazing Land	165,250	162,344	3,291	385	3,676	-2,906	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>402,193</b>	<b>396,464</b>	<b>18,454</b>	<b>12,725</b>	<b>31,179</b>	<b>-5,729</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	150,727	157,157	21	6,451	6,472	6,430	
Other Land	64,910	64,209	1,269	568	1,837	-701	
Water Area	18,253	18,253	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>636,083</b>	<b>636,083</b>	<b>19,744</b>	<b>19,744</b>	<b>39,488</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	202
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	623
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>825</b>
Grazing Land	2,411
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,236</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	179
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,415</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	to: --	10	17	4,590	4,617	0	4,617	1,340	33	0	5,990
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to: 8	--	25	4,656	4,689	8	4,697	519	98	0	5,314
Unique Farmland	to: 0	16	--	29	45	336	381	15	109	0	505
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	to: 61	50	1,538	--	1,649	39	1,688	1,599	67	0	3,354
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>9,275</b>	<b>11,000</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>11,383</b>	<b>3,473</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,163</b>
Grazing Land	to: 56	146	982	70	1,254	--	1,254	1,786	251	0	3,291
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>2,562</b>	<b>9,345</b>	<b>12,254</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>12,637</b>	<b>5,259</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,454</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	to: 0	11	0	0	11	0	11	--	10	0	21
Other Land	to: 2	19	31	23	75	2	77	1,192	--	0	1,269
Water Area	to: 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>9,368</b>	<b>12,340</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>12,725</b>	<b>6,451</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19,744</b>

(1) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three or more update cycles.  
(2) Conversion to Unique Farmland primarily due to new vineyards and corn in the southeastern portion of the county.

**TABLE A-24**  
**SAN BENITO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	34,278	33,789	566	77	643	-489	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	9,766	9,598	189	21	210	-168	
Unique Farmland	901	1,118	12	229	241	217	
Farmland of Local Importance	39,381	37,195	2,601	415	3,016	-2,186	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>84,326</b>	<b>81,700</b>	<b>3,368</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>4,110</b>	<b>-2,626</b>	
Grazing Land	593,629	595,538	526	2,435	2,961	1,909	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>677,955</b>	<b>677,238</b>	<b>3,894</b>	<b>3,177</b>	<b>7,071</b>	<b>-717</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	6,748	7,031	44	327	371	283	
Other Land	203,665	203,977	114	426	540	312	
Water Area	1,019	1,141	50	172	222	122	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>889,387</b>	<b>889,387</b>	<b>4,102</b>	<b>4,102</b>	<b>8,204</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Statewide Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Unique Farmland	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Farmland of Local Importance	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	
Other Land	
Water Area	
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	--	7	138	145	290	6	296	208	62	0	566
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	162	162	0	162	8	19	0	189
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	0	0	10	10	2	0	0	12
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	44	0	33	--	77	2,364	2,441	80	80	0	2,601
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>2,380</b>	<b>2,909</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,368</b>
Grazing Land (3)	19	0	58	30	107	--	107	14	233	172	526
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>2,380</b>	<b>3,016</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>3,894</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	12	0	0	0	12	0	12	--	32	0	44
Other Land	2	14	0	78	94	5	99	15	--	0	114
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	--	50
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>2,435</b>	<b>3,177</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>4,102</b>

(1) Conversion between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.

(2) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle during the last four update cycles.

(3) Conversion to water area due to the refinement of the boundary of San Justo Reservoir.

**TABLE A-25**  
**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES					NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	29,975	25,665	4,474	164	4,638	-4,310		
Farmland of Statewide Importance	12,026	10,616	1,500	90	1,590	-1,410		
Unique Farmland	3,888	3,644	323	79	402	-244		
Farmland of Local Importance	5,036	4,816	231	11	242	-220		
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>50,925</b>	<b>44,741</b>	<b>6,528</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>6,872</b>	<b>-6,184</b>		
Grazing Land	954,225	957,214	1,684	4,673	6,357	2,989		
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,005,150</b>	<b>1,001,955</b>	<b>8,212</b>	<b>5,017</b>	<b>13,229</b>	<b>-3,195</b>		
Urban and Built-Up Land	234,980	237,898	266	3,184	3,450	2,918		
Other Land	234,839	235,116	1,401	1,678	3,079	277		
Water Area	1,015	1,015	0	0	0	0		
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,475,984</b>	<b>1,475,984</b>	<b>9,879</b>	<b>9,879</b>	<b>19,758</b>	<b>0</b>		

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	363
Farmland of Statewide Importance	224
Unique Farmland	32
Farmland of Local Importance	869
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,488</b>
Grazing Land	13,899
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15,387</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	920
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>16,307</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	to: --	3	0	0	3	2,945	2,948	756	770	0	4,474
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to: 0	--	4	0	4	1,242	1,246	148	106	0	1,500
Unique Farmland	to: 4	0	--	4	8	208	216	73	34	0	323
Farmland of Local Importance	to: 24	0	0	--	24	126	150	81	0	0	231
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>4,521</b>	<b>4,560</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,528</b>
Grazing Land	to: 35	19	62	0	116	--	116	872	696	0	1,684
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>4,521</b>	<b>4,676</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>1,606</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,212</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (2) (3)	to: 6	18	13	7	44	150	194	--	72	0	266
Other Land	to: 95	50	0	0	145	2	147	1,254	--	0	1,401
Water Area	to: 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>5,017</b>	<b>3,184</b>	<b>1,678</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,879</b>

(1) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.

(2) Conversion to Grazing Land due to urban boundary adjustments on the Prado Dam quad.

(3) Conversion to Other Land due to urban boundary adjustments on the Devore and Guasti quads.

**TABLE A-26**  
**SAN DIEGO COUNTY**  
**1998-2000 Land Use Conversion\***

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	10,660	10,109	2,298	1,747	4,045	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	13,617	13,286	3,512	3,181	6,693	-331	
Unique Farmland	67,508	57,298	19,075	8,865	27,940	-10,210	
Farmland of Local Importance	105,067	112,397	9,800	17,130	26,930	7,330	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>196,852</b>	<b>193,090</b>	<b>34,685</b>	<b>30,923</b>	<b>65,608</b>	<b>-3,762</b>	
Grazing Land	142,335	137,618	7,705	2,988	10,693	-4,717	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>339,187</b>	<b>330,708</b>	<b>42,390</b>	<b>33,911</b>	<b>76,301</b>	<b>-8,479</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	311,490	323,927	17,390	29,827	47,217	12,437	
Other Land	1,502,927	1,498,965	32,322	28,360	60,682	-3,962	
Water Area	13,087	13,091	0	4	4	4	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>2,166,691</b>	<b>2,166,691</b>	<b>92,102</b>	<b>92,102</b>	<b>184,204</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	202
Farmland of Statewide Importance	214
Unique Farmland	98
Farmland of Local Importance	3,197
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,711</b>
Grazing Land	2,721
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>6,432</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	2,575
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>9,007</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (2) (3)	to:	123	363	1,100	1,586	19	1,605	516	1,391	0	3,512
Unique Farmland (2) (3)	to:	178	722	10,002	10,902	113	11,015	963	7,097	0	19,075
Farmland of Local Importance (4) (5)	to:	359	454	--	3,325	159	3,484	3,626	2,690	0	9,800
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>2,938</b>	<b>11,788</b>	<b>16,748</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>17,107</b>	<b>5,511</b>	<b>12,067</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,685</b>
Grazing Land (5)	to:	182	103	305	742	--	742	4,131	2,832	0	7,705
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>1,465</b>	<b>12,093</b>	<b>17,490</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>17,849</b>	<b>9,642</b>	<b>14,899</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42,390</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (6)	to:	96	112	240	2,007	1,921	3,928	--	13,461	1	17,390
Other Land (4)	to:	809	1,604	5,535	11,426	708	12,134	20,185	--	3	32,322
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>1,747</b>	<b>3,181</b>	<b>8,865</b>	<b>30,923</b>	<b>2,988</b>	<b>33,911</b>	<b>29,827</b>	<b>28,360</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>92,102</b>

\* A complete set of detailed digital imagery used in the 2000 map update resulted in historically large or anomalous conversions among some categories, as described below.

- (1) Changes made to lake boundaries may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.
- (2) Conversions between Important Farmland categories due to corrections made to soil unit identification. Conversions to Farmland of Local Importance due to boundary adjustments and land left idle for three or more update cycles.
- (3) Conversions to Other Land primarily due to boundary adjustments, as well as development of low density housing (ranchettes) occurring mainly in the north county area.
- (4) Conversions to Important Farmland categories due to boundary adjustments and additional irrigated agriculture located mainly in the north county area.
- (5) Conversions to Other Land primarily due to boundary adjustments throughout the county.
- (6) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary. Adjustments to the urban line along canyons and other native landscapes caused most of the change.

**TABLE A-27**  
**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	429,173	423,158	6,267	252	6,519	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	96,800	93,846	3,206	252	3,458	-2,954	
Unique Farmland	52,719	57,977	955	6,213	7,168	5,258	
Farmland of Local Importance	53,677	56,009	4,837	7,169	12,006	2,332	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>632,369</b>	<b>630,990</b>	<b>15,265</b>	<b>13,886</b>	<b>29,151</b>	<b>-1,379</b>	
Grazing Land	152,699	150,332	2,377	10	2,387	-2,367	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>785,068</b>	<b>781,322</b>	<b>17,642</b>	<b>13,896</b>	<b>31,538</b>	<b>-3,746</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	71,595	74,150	10	2,565	2,575	2,555	
Other Land	44,289	45,480	333	1,524	1,857	1,191	
Water Area	11,648	11,648	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>912,600</b>	<b>912,600</b>	<b>17,985</b>	<b>17,985</b>	<b>35,970</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	5,433
Farmland of Statewide Importance	1,573
Unique Farmland	381
Farmland of Local Importance	1,346
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>8,733</b>
Grazing Land	60
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>8,793</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	207
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>9,000</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	33	37	2,185	2,255	0	2,255	511	440	0	3,206
Unique Farmland	to:	26	8	872	906	2	908	0	47	0	955
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	to:	75	183	4,165	4,423	8	4,431	302	104	0	4,837
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>6,900</b>	<b>11,492</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11,502</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>1,418</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,265</b>
Grazing Land (2)	to:	76	0	1,957	2,259	--	2,259	13	105	0	2,377
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>6,192</b>	<b>13,751</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13,761</b>	<b>2,358</b>	<b>1,523</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,642</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	to:	3	3	0	9	0	9	--	1	0	10
Other Land	to:	39	26	21	126	0	126	207	--	0	333
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>6,213</b>	<b>13,886</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13,896</b>	<b>2,565</b>	<b>1,524</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,985</b>

(1) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance is primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.

(2) Conversion to Unique Farmland is due to new irrigated agriculture, primarily vineyards and orchards, being planted in the eastern portion of the county.



**TABLE A-28**  
**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	39,895	41,386	1,263	2,754	4,017	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	13,912	17,264	695	4,047	4,742	3,352	
Unique Farmland	30,098	34,979	2,035	6,916	8,951	4,881	
Farmland of Local Importance	273,867	261,912	14,066	2,111	16,177	-11,955	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>357,772</b>	<b>355,541</b>	<b>18,059</b>	<b>15,828</b>	<b>33,887</b>	<b>-2,231</b>	
Grazing Land	661,939	662,021	3,406	3,488	6,894	82	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,019,711</b>	<b>1,017,562</b>	<b>21,465</b>	<b>19,316</b>	<b>40,781</b>	<b>-2,149</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	37,184	39,383	1,071	3,270	4,341	2,199	
Other Land	234,888	234,903	1,290	1,305	2,595	15	
Water Area	10,389	10,324	65	0	65	-65	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,302,172</b>	<b>1,302,172</b>	<b>23,891</b>	<b>23,891</b>	<b>47,782</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	7
Farmland of Local Importance	131
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>138</b>
Grazing Land	362
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>500</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	138
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>638</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	36	106	388	530	101	631	64	0	0	695
Unique Farmland (1) (2)	to:	134	172	257	563	1,371	1,934	40	61	0	2,035
Farmland of Local Importance (3) (4)	to:	2,307	3,562	5,136	11,005	1,367	12,372	1,366	328	0	14,066
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,477</b>	<b>3,864</b>	<b>5,316</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>13,019</b>	<b>3,064</b>	<b>16,083</b>	<b>1,564</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,059</b>
Grazing Land (3)	to:	138	121	470	2,050	--	2,050	862	494	0	3,406
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>3,985</b>	<b>6,637</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>15,069</b>	<b>3,064</b>	<b>18,133</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,465</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5)	to:	30	41	221	304	368	672	--	399	0	1,071
Other Land	to:	50	21	54	392	56	448	842	--	0	1,290
Water Area (6)	to:	59	0	4	63	0	63	2	0	--	65
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>2,754</b>	<b>4,047</b>	<b>6,916</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>15,828</b>	<b>3,488</b>	<b>19,316</b>	<b>3,270</b>	<b>1,305</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23,891</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(2) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles and agricultural boundary adjustments.  
(3) Conversion to Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance and Unique Farmland primarily due to new vineyards in the Paso Robles area.  
(4) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for four update cycles and agricultural boundary adjustments.  
(5) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of the ability to obtain a more distinct urban boundary.  
(6) Conversion to Prime Farmland due to new agriculture mapped in the dry reaches of Twitchell Reservoir along the Huasna River and Alamo Creek channels.

**TABLE A-29**  
**SAN MATEO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	2,644	2,668	0	24	24	24	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	177	177	0	0	0	0	
Unique Farmland	2,963	3,066	77	180	257	103	
Farmland of Local Importance	3,933	3,969	0	36	36	36	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>9,717</b>	<b>9,880</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>163</b>	
Grazing Land	45,750	45,716	36	2	38	-34	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>55,467</b>	<b>55,596</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>129</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	70,830	71,134	24	328	352	304	
Other Land	161,418	160,985	469	36	505	-433	
Water Area	65,735	65,735	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>353,450</b>	<b>353,450</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	263
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>263</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	383
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>646</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	36	36	0	36	41	0	0	77
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>77</b>
Grazing Land	12	0	12	0	24	--	24	0	12	0	36
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>113</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	24	0	24
Other Land	12	0	168	0	180	2	182	287	--	0	469
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>606</b>

**TABLE A-30**  
**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	72,115	74,105	2,543	4,533	7,076	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	6,761	8,009	396	1,644	2,040	1,248	
Unique Farmland	29,331	32,297	1,287	4,253	5,540	2,966	
Farmland of Local Importance	26,199	25,399	2,883	2,083	4,966	-800	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>134,406</b>	<b>139,810</b>	<b>7,109</b>	<b>12,513</b>	<b>19,622</b>	<b>5,404</b>	
Grazing Land	589,641	583,710	8,585	2,654	11,239	-5,931	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>724,047</b>	<b>723,520</b>	<b>15,694</b>	<b>15,167</b>	<b>30,861</b>	<b>-527</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	59,532	61,023	515	2,006	2,521	1,491	
Other Land	251,973	251,009	2,086	1,122	3,208	-964	
Water Area	4,264	4,264	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,039,816</b>	<b>1,039,816</b>	<b>18,295</b>	<b>18,295</b>	<b>36,590</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	516
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	241
Farmland of Local Importance	18
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>775</b>
Grazing Land	125
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>900</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	162
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,062</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to:	17	46	15	78	284	362	9	25	0	396
Unique Farmland (1)	to:	57	49	49	155	757	912	150	225	0	1,287
Farmland of Local Importance (3)	to:	1,389	318	664	2,371	384	2,755	44	84	0	2,883
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>1,463</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>3,377</b>	<b>2,515</b>	<b>5,892</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,109</b>
Grazing Land (3) (4)	to:	2,434	1,224	1,553	7,988	--	7,988	313	284	0	8,585
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>3,897</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>3,821</b>	<b>11,365</b>	<b>2,515</b>	<b>13,880</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,694</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5) (6)	to:	129	4	22	203	102	305	--	210	0	515
Other Land	to:	507	31	384	945	37	982	1,104	--	0	2,086
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>4,533</b>	<b>1,644</b>	<b>4,253</b>	<b>12,513</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>15,167</b>	<b>2,006</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,295</b>

(1) Conversions between Prime Farmland and Unique Farmland primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(2) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.  
(3) Conversion to Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance and Unique Farmland primarily due to new vineyards, row crops and irrigated pasture throughout the county.  
(4) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to the identification of irrigated pasture and sudan grass.  
(5) Conversion to Prime Farmland due to the identification of an irrigated pasture in Hope Ranch and urban boundary adjustments throughout the county.  
(6) Conversions to Grazing Land and Other Land primarily due to refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-31**  
**SANTA CLARA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	32,008	30,050	2,064	106	2,170	-1,958	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	4,900	4,597	351	48	399	-303	
Unique Farmland	1,412	1,169	255	12	267	-243	
Farmland of Local Importance	8,687	8,207	592	112	704	-480	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>47,007</b>	<b>44,023</b>	<b>3,262</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>3,540</b>	<b>-2,984</b>	
Grazing Land	390,678	389,210	1,841	373	2,214	-1,468	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>437,685</b>	<b>433,233</b>	<b>5,103</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>5,754</b>	<b>-4,452</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	179,482	184,183	315	5,016	5,331	4,701	
Other Land	209,601	209,357	1,006	762	1,768	-244	
Water Area	8,457	8,452	21	16	37	-5	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>835,225</b>	<b>835,225</b>	<b>6,445</b>	<b>6,445</b>	<b>12,890</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	1,005
Farmland of Statewide Importance	442
Unique Farmland	9
Farmland of Local Importance	138
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,594</b>
Grazing Land	1,461
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,055</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	166
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,221</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	4	0	13	17	56	73	1,747	244	0	2,064
Farmland of Statewide Importance	11	--	0	34	45	25	70	227	54	0	351
Unique Farmland	0	0	--	63	63	167	230	0	25	0	255
Farmland of Local Importance	38	0	0	--	38	16	54	398	140	0	592
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>2,372</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,262</b>
Grazing Land	0	36	0	0	36	--	36	1,677	128	0	1,841
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>4,049</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,103</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (1)	50	8	12	2	72	85	157	--	150	8	315
Other Land	7	0	0	0	7	24	31	967	--	8	1,006
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	--	21
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>5,016</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6,445</b>

(1) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are the result of the addition of the Mountain View and Stevens Creek Tidal Marshes and refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-32**  
**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	17,179	17,031	269	121	390	-148	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	3,057	3,214	106	263	369	157	
Unique Farmland	4,393	4,394	73	74	147	1	
Farmland of Local Importance	869	869	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>25,498</b>	<b>25,508</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>10</b>	
Grazing Land	16,718	16,587	131	0	131	-131	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>42,216</b>	<b>42,095</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>-121</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	28,587	29,293	34	740	774	706	
Other Land	214,548	213,963	744	159	903	-585	
Water Area	357	357	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>285,708</b>	<b>285,708</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>2,714</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	59
Farmland of Statewide Importance	16
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>75</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>75</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	47
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>122</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	--	134	22	0	156	0	156	50	63	0	269
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	63	--	0	0	63	0	63	25	18	0	106
Unique Farmland (1)	32	2	--	0	34	0	34	29	10	0	73
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>448</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	18	0	18	--	18	45	68	0	131
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>579</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	12	22	0	0	34	0	34	--	0	0	34
Other Land	14	105	34	0	153	0	153	591	--	0	744
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,357</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.

**TABLE A-33**  
**SHASTA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	20,218	19,815	1,099	696	1,795	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	4,583	4,716	99	232	331	133	
Unique Farmland	358	405	40	87	127	47	
Farmland of Local Importance	10,172	10,416	383	627	1,010	244	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>35,331</b>	<b>35,352</b>	<b>1,621</b>	<b>1,642</b>	<b>3,263</b>	<b>21</b>	
Grazing Land	409,926	409,477	1,277	828	2,105	-449	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>445,257</b>	<b>444,829</b>	<b>2,898</b>	<b>2,470</b>	<b>5,368</b>	<b>-428</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	31,252	32,657	580	1,985	2,565	1,405	
Other Land	538,829	537,852	2,061	1,084	3,145	-977	
Water Area	5,875	5,875	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>1,021,213</b>	<b>1,021,213</b>	<b>5,539</b>	<b>5,539</b>	<b>11,078</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	237
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>237</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	2,980
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,217</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to:	4	0	0	4	33	37	8	54	0	99
Unique Farmland	to:	0	0	40	40	0	40	0	0	0	40
Farmland of Local Importance	to:	60	48	12	120	119	239	48	96	0	383
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>1,790</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,277</b>
Grazing Land	to:	525	161	51	366	687	1,790	423	685	0	2,898
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>580</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (3)	to:	133	69	22	453	46	499	1,562	0	0	2,061
Other Land	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water Area	to:	696	232	87	627	828	2,470	1,985	1,084	0	5,539
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>				<b>1,642</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>2,470</b>	<b>1,985</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,539</b>

(1) Refinements made to the Sacramento River and reservoirs on the Pit River may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.  
(2) Conversions between Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(3) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of the ability to obtain a more distinct urban boundary.

**TABLE A-34**  
**SIERRA VALLEY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	9,693	9,014	850	171	1,021	-679	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	4,670	4,814	644	788	1,432	144	
Unique Farmland	2,645	2,640	555	550	1,105	-5	
Farmland of Local Importance	91,833	92,494	1,425	2,086	3,511	661	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>108,841</b>	<b>108,962</b>	<b>3,474</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>7,069</b>	<b>121</b>	
Grazing Land	80,705	80,100	616	11	627	-605	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>189,546</b>	<b>189,062</b>	<b>4,090</b>	<b>3,606</b>	<b>7,696</b>	<b>-484</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	745	832	36	123	159	87	
Other Land	7,406	7,803	15	412	427	397	
Water Area	75	75	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>197,772</b>	<b>197,772</b>	<b>4,141</b>	<b>4,141</b>	<b>8,282</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	7
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	1,648
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,655</b>
Grazing Land	1,706
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,361</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	136
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,497</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	--	148	15	648	811	11	822	26	2	0	850
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	17	--	34	593	644	0	644	0	0	0	644
Unique Farmland (1)	0	59	--	496	555	0	555	0	0	0	555
Farmland of Local Importance	142	581	501	--	1,224	0	1,224	56	145	0	1,425
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>1,737</b>	<b>3,234</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3,245</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,474</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	0	317	317	--	317	34	265	0	616
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>2,054</b>	<b>3,551</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3,562</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,090</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	12	0	0	24	36	0	36	--	0	0	36
Other Land	0	0	0	8	8	0	8	7	--	0	15
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>2,086</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3,606</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,141</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.

**TABLE A-35**  
**SISKIYOU COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	92,890	92,983	105	198	303	93	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	30,619	30,587	145	113	258	-32	
Unique Farmland	34,148	35,033	88	973	1,061	885	
Farmland of Local Importance	653,331	652,039	1,600	308	1,908	-1,292	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>810,988</b>	<b>810,642</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>1,592</b>	<b>3,530</b>	<b>-346</b>	
Grazing Land	376,289	376,205	94	10	104	-84	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,187,277</b>	<b>1,186,847</b>	<b>2,032</b>	<b>1,602</b>	<b>3,634</b>	<b>-430</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	12,890	13,167	0	277	277	277	
Other Land	62,726	62,879	40	193	233	153	
Water Area	18,399	18,399	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>1,281,292</b>	<b>1,281,292</b>	<b>2,072</b>	<b>2,072</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	0
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	27
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>
Grazing Land	36
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>63</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	11	0	94	105	0	105	0	0	0	105
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	145	145	0	145	0	0	0	145
Unique Farmland	17	0	--	65	82	6	88	0	0	0	88
Farmland of Local Importance	181	101	846	--	1,128	4	1,132	275	193	0	1,600
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>1,460</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,938</b>
Grazing Land	0	0	94	0	94	--	94	0	0	0	94
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>1,564</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1,564</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,032</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0	0	0
Other Land	0	1	33	4	38	0	38	2	--	0	40
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>973</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>1,592</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1,602</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,072</b>

(1) Refinements made to lake boundaries from 1:24,000-scale quadrangles may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.



**TABLE A-36**  
**SOLANO COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	150,356	148,119	2,314	77	2,391	-2,237	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	11,088	10,597	508	17	525	-491	
Unique Farmland	13,969	13,860	236	127	363	-109	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>175,413</b>	<b>172,576</b>	<b>3,058</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>-2,837</b>	
Grazing Land	199,270	198,826	834	390	1,224	-444	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>374,683</b>	<b>371,402</b>	<b>3,892</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>4,503</b>	<b>-3,281</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	53,130	53,809	1	680	681	679	
Other Land	102,375	104,977	105	2,707	2,812	2,602	
Water Area	52,182	52,182	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>582,370</b>	<b>582,370</b>	<b>3,998</b>	<b>3,998</b>	<b>7,996</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	386
Farmland of Statewide Importance	66
Unique Farmland	122
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>574</b>
Grazing Land	4,182
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>4,756</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	1,118
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>5,874</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	--	0	13	0	13	354	367	131	1,816	0	2,314
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	2	506	0	508
Unique Farmland	3	2	--	0	5	35	40	16	180	0	236
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>2,502</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,058</b>
Grazing Land	59	0	114	0	173	--	173	456	205	0	834
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,892</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	--	0	0	1
Other Land	15	15	0	0	30	0	30	75	--	0	105
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,998</b>

(1) Conversion of Prime Farmland to Other Land is primarily due to the designation of natural reserves, wetlands, and recreational land in the southeastern part of the county.

TABLE A-37

SONOMA COUNTY

1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	35,689	37,029	1,828	3,168	4,996	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	16,790	18,914	959	3,083	4,042	2,124	
Unique Farmland	25,052	30,290	3,540	8,778	12,318	5,238	
Farmland of Local Importance	92,867	87,634	7,134	1,901	9,035	-5,233	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>170,398</b>	<b>173,867</b>	<b>13,461</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>30,391</b>	<b>3,469</b>	
Grazing Land	438,637	432,684	7,875	1,922	9,797	-5,953	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>609,035</b>	<b>606,551</b>	<b>21,336</b>	<b>18,852</b>	<b>40,188</b>	<b>-2,484</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	66,178	70,804	1,133	5,759	6,892	4,626	
Other Land	333,632	331,629	5,193	3,190	8,383	-2,003	
Water Area	17,215	17,076	170	31	201	-139	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>1,026,060</b>	<b>1,026,060</b>	<b>27,832</b>	<b>27,832</b>	<b>55,664</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	51
Farmland of Statewide Importance	0
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	171
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>222</b>
Grazing Land	791
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,013</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	58
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>1,071</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	to:	65	149	210	424	289	713	68	178	0	959
Unique Farmland (1) (2)	to:	588	113	456	1,157	1,052	2,209	399	932	0	3,540
Farmland of Local Importance (3)	to:	1,205	2,129	1,229	4,563	119	4,682	1,563	873	16	7,134
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,858</b>	<b>2,279</b>	<b>1,558</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>6,781</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>2,433</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13,461</b>
Grazing Land (4)	to:	543	557	5,294	6,519	--	6,519	1,002	354	0	7,875
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,401</b>	<b>2,836</b>	<b>6,852</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>13,300</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>15,021</b>	<b>3,512</b>	<b>2,787</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>21,336</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5)	to:	140	34	438	722	136	858	--	273	2	1,133
Other Land (4)	to:	627	213	1,816	2,886	65	2,951	2,229	--	13	5,193
Water Area (6)	to:	0	0	0	22	0	22	18	130	--	170
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>3,168</b>	<b>3,083</b>	<b>8,778</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>1,922</b>	<b>18,852</b>	<b>5,759</b>	<b>3,190</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27,832</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories due to adjustments made to boundaries and corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
 (2) Conversions from Unique Farmland to Grazing Land due to improved boundaries around irrigated agriculture throughout the county.  
 (3) Conversions from Farmland of Local Importance to Important Farmland categories primarily due to vineyard additions and boundary refinements throughout the county.  
 (4) Conversions to Unique Farmland primarily due to vineyard additions throughout the county.  
 (5) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land to Important Farmland categories and Other Land primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.  
 (6) Conversion from Water to Other Land due to additional delta land between the Hudemman and Napa Sloughs that has not been flooded since 1995.

**TABLE A-38**  
**STANISLAUS COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
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Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	<i>section historically mapped</i>						2000 ACREAGE Western Stanislaus (1)
	ACREAGE TOTALS INVENTORIED		ACRES GAINED (+)	ACRES LOST (-)	NET ACREAGE CHANGED	2000 ACREAGE Western Stanislaus (1)	
	1998	2000					
Prime Farmland	166,558	165,364	641	1,835	-1,194	100,976	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	27,398	27,753	734	379	355	1,347	
Unique Farmland	48,994	53,305	4,550	239	4,311	2,964	
Farmland of Local Importance	37,650	34,328	63	3,385	-3,322	523	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>280,600</b>	<b>280,750</b>	<b>5,988</b>	<b>5,838</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>105,810</b>	
Grazing Land	116,645	114,314	176	2,507	-2,331	260,833	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>397,245</b>	<b>395,064</b>	<b>6,164</b>	<b>8,345</b>	<b>-2,181</b>	<b>366,643</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	50,482	51,380	1,056	158	898	3,956	
Other Land	24,973	26,256	1,785	502	1,283	20,497	
Water Area	5,542	5,542	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>478,242</b>	<b>478,242</b>	<b>9,005</b>	<b>9,005</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>391,096</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	1,398
Farmland of Statewide Importance	43
Unique Farmland	630
Farmland of Local Importance	452
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,523</b>
Grazing Land	0
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,523</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	484
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,007</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	to: 5	5	14	15	34	128	162	703	970	0	1,835
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to: 15	15	10	0	25	34	59	17	303	0	379
Unique Farmland	to: 1	9	--	11	21	9	30	38	171	0	239
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	to: 81	18	2,995	--	3,094	5	3,099	64	222	0	3,385
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3,019</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3,174</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>3,350</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,838</b>
Grazing Land (2)	to: 279	656	1,517	22	2,474	--	2,474	0	33	0	2,507
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>4,536</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>5,648</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>5,824</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>1,699</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,345</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (3)	to: 67	0	1	4	72	0	72	--	86	0	158
Other Land	to: 198	46	13	11	268	0	268	234	--	0	502
Water Area	to: 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>4,550</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>5,988</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>6,164</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,005</b>
<b>Western Stanislaus soil survey addition (1)</b>	<b>100,976</b>	<b>1,347</b>	<b>2,964</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>105,810</b>	<b>260,833</b>	<b>366,643</b>	<b>3,956</b>	<b>20,497</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>391,096</b>

(1) Addition of the Western Stanislaus soil survey area increases total mapped area to 869,338 acres, or 90% of the County.

(2) Conversions to Unique Farmland primarily due to expansions to irrigated orchards in the eastern portion of the county, along with conversions of irrigated pasture to irrigated crops throughout the county.

(3) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily due to refinements made to urban boundaries throughout the county.

**TABLE A-39**  
**SUTTER COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	170,253	169,782	2,159	1,688	3,847	-471	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	113,680	111,296	2,956	572	3,528	-2,384	
Unique Farmland	22,234	20,213	2,376	355	2,731	-2,021	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>306,167</b>	<b>301,291</b>	<b>7,491</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>10,106</b>	<b>-4,876</b>	
Grazing Land	49,753	50,896	2,229	3,372	5,601	1,143	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>355,920</b>	<b>352,187</b>	<b>9,720</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>15,707</b>	<b>-3,733</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	10,668	11,360	226	918	1,144	692	
Other Land	21,003	24,044	538	3,579	4,117	3,041	
Water Area	1,848	1,848	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>389,439</b>	<b>389,439</b>	<b>10,484</b>	<b>10,484</b>	<b>20,968</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	10
Farmland of Statewide Importance	216
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>226</b>
Grazing Land	114
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>340</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	0
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>340</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland	--	43	21	0	64	901	965	235	959	0	2,159
Farmland of Statewide Importance (2)	39	--	6	0	45	1,707	1,752	312	892	0	2,956
Unique Farmland (3) (4)	222	0	--	0	222	602	824	0	1,552	0	2,376
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>3,210</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>3,403</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,491</b>
Grazing Land (5)	1,228	349	232	0	1,809	--	1,809	253	167	0	2,229
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,140</b>	<b>3,210</b>	<b>5,350</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>3,570</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,720</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (6)	56	50	0	0	106	111	217	--	9	0	226
Other Land	143	130	96	0	369	51	420	118	--	0	538
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>3,372</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>3,579</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,484</b>

(1) Refinements made to the Feather River boundary may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.

(2) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for three or more update cycles.

(3) Conversions between Prime Farmland and Unique Farmland primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification on the Yuba City quadrangle.

(4) Conversion to Other Land primarily due to wetland areas, ranchettes and agricultural processing facilities identified throughout the county.

(5) Conversion to Prime Farmland primarily due to new orchards, irrigated pasture and alfalfa near the Sutter Buttes and in the southeastern portion of the county.

(6) Conversion from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily due to urban line corrections and newly identified orchards.

**TABLE A-40**  
**TEHAMA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Prime Farmland	77,463	73,772	6,626	2,935	9,561	-3,691	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	19,431	19,760	1,919	2,248	4,167	329	
Unique Farmland	19,447	18,486	1,599	638	2,237	-961	
Farmland of Local Importance	129,633	132,763	3,027	6,157	9,184	3,130	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>245,974</b>	<b>244,781</b>	<b>13,171</b>	<b>11,978</b>	<b>25,149</b>	<b>-1,193</b>	
Grazing Land	706,309	706,026	1,285	1,002	2,287	-283	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>952,283</b>	<b>950,807</b>	<b>14,456</b>	<b>12,980</b>	<b>27,436</b>	<b>-1,476</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	10,784	11,459	846	1,521	2,367	675	
Other Land	870,206	871,007	1,877	2,678	4,555	801	
Water Area	6,221	6,221	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>1,839,494</b>	<b>1,839,494</b>	<b>17,179</b>	<b>17,179</b>	<b>34,358</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	144
Farmland of Statewide Importance	5
Unique Farmland	2
Farmland of Local Importance	1,086
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,237</b>
Grazing Land	1,064
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,301</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	1,576
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>3,877</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (2) (3)	--	1,502	25	3,990	5,517	71	5,588	277	761	0	6,626
Farmland of Statewide Importance (2) (3)	54	--	0	1,620	1,674	4	1,678	14	227	0	1,919
Unique Farmland (2)	148	81	--	292	521	697	1,218	8	373	0	1,599
Farmland of Local Importance (4)	1,903	478	101	--	2,482	69	2,551	203	273	0	3,027
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>2,061</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>5,902</b>	<b>10,194</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>11,035</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,171</b>
Grazing Land	324	43	361	161	889	--	889	39	357	0	1,285
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,429</b>	<b>2,104</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>6,063</b>	<b>11,083</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>11,924</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>1,991</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14,456</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5)	88	12	0	23	123	36	159	--	687	0	846
Other Land	418	132	151	71	772	125	897	980	--	0	1,877
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>2,248</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>6,157</b>	<b>11,978</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>12,980</b>	<b>1,521</b>	<b>2,678</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,179</b>

(1) Refinements made to the Sacramento River boundary may result in different acreage totals for Water and adjacent land use categories than those in the 1996-98 report.  
(2) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(3) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle for three or more update cycles.  
(4) Conversion to Prime Farmland primarily due to newly irrigated agricultural land (predominately orchards) and boundary adjustments throughout the county.  
(5) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.

**TABLE A-41**  
**TULARE COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
	Prime Farmland	396,125	393,036	4,180	1,091	5,271	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	357,221	351,689	6,562	1,030	7,592	-5,532	
Unique Farmland	11,792	11,749	183	140	323	-43	
Farmland of Local Importance	110,042	117,741	1,856	9,555	11,411	7,699	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>875,180</b>	<b>874,215</b>	<b>12,781</b>	<b>11,816</b>	<b>24,597</b>	<b>-965</b>	
Grazing Land	439,955	439,933	153	131	284	-22	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,315,135</b>	<b>1,314,148</b>	<b>12,934</b>	<b>11,947</b>	<b>24,881</b>	<b>-987</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	48,500	49,378	103	981	1,084	878	
Other Land	217,607	217,694	487	574	1,061	87	
Water Area	4,629	4,651	0	22	22	22	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED (1)</b>	<b>1,585,871</b>	<b>1,585,871</b>	<b>13,524</b>	<b>13,524</b>	<b>27,048</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	1,354
Farmland of Statewide Importance	544
Unique Farmland	53
Farmland of Local Importance	449
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,400</b>
Grazing Land	184
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,584</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	161
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>2,745</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (2)	to:	8	1	6,154	6,163	1	6,164	178	220	0	6,562
Unique Farmland	to:	1	4	6	11	120	131	1	51	0	183
Farmland of Local Importance	to:	903	861	1	1,765	5	1,770	41	45	0	1,856
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9,533</b>	<b>11,313</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>11,441</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,781</b>
Grazing Land	to:	1	0	87	89	--	89	21	43	0	153
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>9,534</b>	<b>11,402</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>11,530</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,934</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	to:	45	34	0	100	0	100	--	3	0	103
Other Land	to:	133	131	50	314	3	317	148	--	22	487
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>11,816</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>11,947</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>13,524</b>

(1) Total area inventoried represents information for the new Western Tulare soil survey area (780,415 acres) as well as the Central Tulare area (805,452 acres). Prior reports classified farmland use in Western Tulare County with the Interim mapping categories of Irrigated and Nonirrigated. The County's Farmland of Local Importance definition contains more land use types than Nonirrigated Farmland, thus some Grazing and Other Land in Western Tulare was reclassified into Local.

(2) Conversion to Farmland of Local Importance primarily due to land left idle or utilized for dry grains for three or more update cycles.

**TABLE A-42**  
**VENTURA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	51,818	51,624	498	304	802	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	37,700	37,613	178	91	269	-87	
Unique Farmland	22,643	22,608	426	391	817	-35	
Farmland of Local Importance	11,076	11,097	25	46	71	21	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>123,237</b>	<b>122,942</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>1,959</b>	<b>-295</b>	
Grazing Land	207,852	206,693	1,342	183	1,525	-1,159	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>331,089</b>	<b>329,635</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>3,484</b>	<b>-1,454</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	95,522	97,235	802	2,515	3,317	1,713	
Other Land	125,403	125,144	1,025	766	1,791	-259	
Water Area	3,939	3,939	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>555,953</b>	<b>555,953</b>	<b>4,296</b>	<b>4,296</b>	<b>8,592</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	790
Farmland of Statewide Importance	164
Unique Farmland	155
Farmland of Local Importance	973
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,082</b>
Grazing Land	5,070
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>7,152</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	1,131
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>8,283</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	to:	-	3	0	14	3	17	142	19	0	178
Unique Farmland	to:	1	-	0	17	7	24	326	76	0	426
Farmland of Local Importance	to:	0	0	-	0	7	7	5	13	0	25
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,127</b>
Grazing Land	to:	42	218	46	372	-	372	737	233	0	1,342
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>1,628</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,469</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (2) (3)	to:	203	1	20	224	161	385	-	417	0	802
Other Land	to:	32	14	88	134	4	138	887	-	0	1,025
Water Area	to:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>to:</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>2,515</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,296</b>

(1) Conversion to Unique Farmland primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(2) Conversion to Prime Farmland due primarily to the addition of two agricultural fields adjacent to a gravel pit north of the city of Oxnard.  
(3) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.

TABLE A-43  
YOLO COUNTY  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	265,915	264,452	2,467	1,004	3,471	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	18,202	18,072	351	221	572	-130	
Unique Farmland	55,243	54,390	1,390	537	1,927	-853	
Farmland of Local Importance	74,303	71,927	3,835	1,459	5,294	-2,376	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>413,663</b>	<b>408,841</b>	<b>8,043</b>	<b>3,221</b>	<b>11,264</b>	<b>-4,822</b>	
Grazing Land	143,385	144,695	763	2,073	2,836	1,310	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>557,048</b>	<b>553,536</b>	<b>8,806</b>	<b>5,294</b>	<b>14,100</b>	<b>-3,512</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	25,586	25,939	381	734	1,115	353	
Other Land	63,446	66,577	624	3,755	4,379	3,131	
Water Area	7,371	7,399	2	30	32	28	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>653,451</b>	<b>653,451</b>	<b>9,813</b>	<b>9,813</b>	<b>19,626</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	633
Farmland of Statewide Importance	545
Unique Farmland	51
Farmland of Local Importance	1,028
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,257</b>
Grazing Land	215
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,472</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	57
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>2,529</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance	11	--	0	161	172	7	179	51	121	0	351
Unique Farmland (1)	60	8	--	108	176	865	1,041	0	349	0	1,390
Farmland of Local Importance (2)	612	165	313	--	1,090	617	1,707	186	1,942	0	3,835
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>1,187</b>	<b>2,361</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>4,065</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>3,316</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,043</b>
Grazing Land	45	27	205	83	360	--	360	29	344	30	763
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>2,721</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>4,425</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8,806</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (3)	93	8	4	121	226	60	286	--	95	0	381
Other Land	183	13	10	68	274	307	581	43	--	0	624
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	--	2
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>1,459</b>	<b>3,221</b>	<b>2,073</b>	<b>5,294</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>3,755</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9,813</b>

(1) Conversion to Prime Farmland primarily due to a correction made to soil unit identification on the Rumsey quadrangle.  
(2) Conversion to Other Land due to lands left idle for four or more update cycles, primarily adjacent to the Sacramento River deep water channel.  
(3) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land primarily the result of the ability to obtain a more distinct urban boundary.



**TABLE A-44**  
**YUBA COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**  
**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACRES INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
	Prime Farmland	45,785	44,486	1,892	593	2,485	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	11,032	10,991	187	146	333	-41	
Unique Farmland	36,928	34,699	2,517	288	2,805	-2,229	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>93,745</b>	<b>90,176</b>	<b>4,596</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>5,623</b>	<b>-3,569</b>	
Grazing Land	143,224	144,551	1,474	2,801	4,275	1,327	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>236,969</b>	<b>234,727</b>	<b>6,070</b>	<b>3,828</b>	<b>9,898</b>	<b>-2,242</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	11,180	11,542	6	368	374	362	
Other Land	157,476	159,310	309	2,143	2,452	1,834	
Water Area	6,192	6,238	0	46	46	46	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>411,817</b>	<b>411,817</b>	<b>6,385</b>	<b>6,385</b>	<b>12,770</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**  
**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	DATA
Farmland of Statewide Importance	NOT
Unique Farmland	AVAILABLE
Farmland of Local Importance	AVAILABLE
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	
Other Land	
Water Area	
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1)	15	--	6	0	21	90	111	32	44	0	187
Unique Farmland (1) (2)	154	0	--	0	154	1,530	1,684	15	818	0	2,517
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>2,741</b>	<b>3,089</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>1,421</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,596</b>
Grazing Land	356	0	186	0	542	--	542	210	722	0	1,474
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>2,741</b>	<b>3,631</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>2,143</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,070</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	5	0	0	0	5	1	6	--	0	0	6
Other Land	63	17	52	0	132	59	191	72	--	46	309
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>2,801</b>	<b>3,828</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>2,143</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>6,385</b>

(1) Conversions between Important Farmland categories primarily due to corrections made to soil unit identification throughout the county.  
(2) Conversion to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles.

**TABLE A-45**  
**BUTTE COUNTY**  
1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART II**

**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES			TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Irrigated Farmland	9,000	3,315	12,315	-5,685
Nonirrigated Farmland	1,664	193	1,857	-1,471
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>10,664</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>14,172</b>	<b>-7,156</b>
Grazing Land	3,090	3,294	6,384	204
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13,754</b>	<b>6,802</b>	<b>20,556</b>	<b>-6,952</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	1,147	2,089	3,236	942
Other Land	2,029	8,039	10,068	6,010
Water Area	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>33,860</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART I**

**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES			NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Irrigated Farmland	255,099	249,414	9,000	3,315	12,315	-5,685
Nonirrigated Farmland	9,372	7,901	1,664	193	1,857	-1,471
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>264,471</b>	<b>257,315</b>	<b>10,664</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>14,172</b>	<b>-7,156</b>
Grazing Land	264,778	264,982	3,090	3,294	6,384	204
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>529,249</b>	<b>522,297</b>	<b>13,754</b>	<b>6,802</b>	<b>20,556</b>	<b>-6,952</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	39,243	40,185	1,147	2,089	3,236	942
Other Land	327,774	333,784	2,029	8,039	10,068	6,010
Water Area	21,643	21,643	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>917,909</b>	<b>917,909</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>33,860</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Irrigated Farmland	Nonirrigated Farmland	Subtotal Interim Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Irrigated Farmland (1)	208	157	365	1,940	2,097	817	6,086	0	9,000
Nonirrigated Farmland	208	--	208	643	851	2	811	0	1,664
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>2,583</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>6,897</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,664</b>
Grazing Land (2)	1,642	15	1,657	--	1,657	604	829	0	3,090
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>2,022</b>	<b>2,583</b>	<b>4,605</b>	<b>1,423</b>	<b>7,726</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,754</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (3)	407	6	413	421	834	--	313	0	1,147
Other Land (2)	1,058	15	1,073	290	1,363	666	--	0	2,029
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>3,315</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>3,294</b>	<b>6,802</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>8,039</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,930</b>

- (1) Conversion to Grazing Land and Other Land due to land left idle for three or more update cycles, newly identified ranchettes throughout the county, and expansion of the Llano Seco Rancho, Sacramento River and Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Areas.
- (2) Conversion to Irrigated Farmland due to new orchards, rice fields, and irrigated pasture primarily in the western portion of the county.
- (3) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of refinements made to the urban boundary.

TABLE A-46

KERN COUNTY - IMPORTANT FARMLAND AREA

1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

PART I

County Summary and Change by Land Use Category

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED		
Prime Farmland	537,043	531,205	12,458	6,620	19,078	-5,838	
Farmland of Statewide Importance	112,258	109,622	4,117	1,481	5,598	-2,636	
Unique Farmland	54,103	51,076	4,119	1,092	5,211	-3,027	
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>703,404</b>	<b>691,903</b>	<b>20,694</b>	<b>9,193</b>	<b>29,887</b>	<b>-11,501</b>	
Grazing Land	895,146	903,243	3,907	12,004	15,911	8,097	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,598,550</b>	<b>1,595,146</b>	<b>24,601</b>	<b>21,197</b>	<b>45,798</b>	<b>-3,404</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	80,028	82,149	2,919	5,040	7,959	2,121	
Other Land	871,068	872,351	9,300	10,583	19,883	1,283	
Water Area	973	973	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>2,550,619</b>	<b>2,550,619</b>	<b>36,820</b>	<b>36,820</b>	<b>73,640</b>	<b>0</b>	

PART II

Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Prime Farmland	3,653
Farmland of Statewide Importance	69
Unique Farmland	0
Farmland of Local Importance	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,722</b>
Grazing Land	129
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,851</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	492
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>4,343</b>

PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000

LAND USE CATEGORY	Prime Farmland	Farmland of Statewide Importance	Unique Farmland	Farmland of Local Importance	Subtotal Important Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Prime Farmland (1)	--	24	1	0	25	7,973	7,998	1,300	3,160	0	12,458
Farmland of Statewide Importance (1) (2)	92	--	14	0	106	1,226	1,332	138	2,647	0	4,117
Unique Farmland (1) (2)	1,248	0	--	0	1,248	1,635	2,883	0	1,236	0	4,119
Farmland of Local Importance	0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,379</b>	<b>10,834</b>	<b>12,213</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>7,043</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,694</b>
Grazing Land (3) (4)	1,217	176	427	0	1,820	--	1,820	487	1,600	0	3,907
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,557</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,199</b>	<b>10,834</b>	<b>14,033</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>8,643</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,601</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5)	559	34	3	0	596	383	979	--	1,940	0	2,919
Other Land (6)	3,504	1,247	647	0	5,398	787	6,185	3,115	--	0	9,300
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>6,620</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,193</b>	<b>12,004</b>	<b>21,197</b>	<b>5,040</b>	<b>10,583</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36,820</b>

(1) Conversion to Grazing Land and Other Land primarily due to land left idle for three update cycles and agricultural boundary adjustments. A portion of the Kern Water Bank accounted for ~3100 acres on the Tupman quadrangle.

(2) Conversions between Important Farmland categories due to corrections made to soil unit identification primarily on the Keene, Cummings Mountain and Tehachapi South quadrangles.

(3) Conversion to Prime Farmland due to new irrigated agriculture and agricultural boundary adjustments made throughout the county.

(4) Conversion to Other Land primarily due to oil field, mine and rancho boundary adjustments made throughout the county.

(5) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of the ability to obtain a more distinct urban boundary.

(6) Conversion to Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance primarily due to newly irrigated agriculture in the Antelope Valley area and agricultural boundary adjustments.

**TABLE A-47**  
**KERN COUNTY - INTERIM FARMLAND AREA**  
 1998-2000 Land Use Conversion

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
 Division of Land Resource Protection

Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program

**PART I**

**County Summary and Change by Land Use Category**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE INVENTORIED		1998-00 ACREAGE CHANGES				NET ACREAGE CHANGED
	1998	2000	ACRES LOST (-)	ACRES GAINED (+)	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	TOTAL ACREAGE CHANGED	
Irrigated Farmland	295,971	295,181	4,241	3,451	7,692	-790	
Nonirrigated Farmland	6,389	3,342	3,090	43	3,133	-3,047	
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>302,360</b>	<b>298,523</b>	<b>7,331</b>	<b>3,494</b>	<b>10,825</b>	<b>-3,837</b>	
Grazing Land	872,372	874,399	3,119	5,146	8,265	2,027	
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,174,732</b>	<b>1,172,922</b>	<b>10,450</b>	<b>8,640</b>	<b>19,090</b>	<b>-1,810</b>	
Urban and Built-Up Land	24,655	24,806	1,056	1,207	2,263	151	
Other Land	1,462,510	1,464,169	3,124	4,783	7,907	1,659	
Water Area	8,868	8,868	0	0	0	0	
<b>TOTAL AREA INVENTORIED</b>	<b>2,670,765</b>	<b>2,670,765</b>	<b>14,630</b>	<b>14,630</b>	<b>29,260</b>	<b>0</b>	

**PART II**

**Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use**

LAND USE CATEGORY	TOTAL ACREAGE 2000
Irrigated Farmland	0
Nonirrigated Farmland	0
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>
Grazing Land	631
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>631</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land	0
Other Land	32
Water Area	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE REPORTED</b>	<b>663</b>

**PART III Land Use Conversion from 1998 to 2000**

LAND USE CATEGORY	Irrigated Farmland	Nonirrigated Farmland	Subtotal Interim Farmland	Grazing Land	Total Agricultural Land	Urban and Built-Up Land	Other Land	Water Area	Total Converted To Another Use
Irrigated Farmland (1)	-	26	26	1,675	1,701	158	2,382	0	4,241
Nonirrigated Farmland (2)	206	--	206	2,884	3,090	0	0	0	3,090
<b>INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>4,559</b>	<b>4,791</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>2,382</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,331</b>
Grazing Land (3) (4)	1,031	14	1,045	--	1,045	154	1,920	0	3,119
<b>AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,237</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>4,559</b>	<b>5,836</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>4,302</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,450</b>
Urban and Built-Up Land (5)	222	0	222	353	575	--	481	0	1,056
Other Land (6)	1,992	3	1,995	234	2,229	895	--	0	3,124
Water Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	0
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE CONVERTED</b>	<b>3,451</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3,494</b>	<b>5,146</b>	<b>8,640</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>4,783</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14,630</b>

(1) Conversions to Grazing Land and Other Land primarily due to land left idle for three or more update cycles and agricultural boundary adjustments.

(2) Conversions to Grazing Land primarily due to land left idle for four update cycles.

(3) Conversion to Irrigated Farmland primarily due to newly identified center-pivot irrigated agriculture on the Grapevine quadrangle.

(4) Conversion to Other Land primarily due to oil field, mine and ranche boundary adjustments made throughout the county.

(5) Conversions from Urban and Built-Up Land are primarily the result of the ability to obtain a more distinct urban boundary.

(6) Conversion to Irrigated Farmland primarily due to new irrigated agriculture on the Saltdale SE, Conner SW, Pearsonville and Inyokern quadrangles and boundary adjustments made to irrigated agriculture.

**Appendix B**  
**1998 and 2000**  
**County Acreage Tallies**

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**TABLE B-1  
IMPORTANT FARMLAND ACREAGE SUMMARY 1998**

COUNTY	IMPORTANT FARMLAND					IMPOR- TANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL	GRAZING LAND	AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL	URBAN & BUILT-UP LAND	OTHER LAND	WATER AREA	COUNTY AREA INVENTORIED	PERCENT MAPED (1)	COUNTY AREA NOT INVENTORIED	TOTAL COUNTY AREA (2)
	PRIME	STATEWIDE		LOCAL											
		UNIQUE	STATEWIDE	UNIQUE	LOCAL										
Alameda	7,560	1,359	1,600	0	10,519	248,355	258,874	139,998	73,939	52,528	525,339	100%	0	525,339	
Amador	3,766	1,738	2,775	2,957	11,236	191,369	202,605	7,312	85,134	5,323	300,374	77%	87,451	387,825	
Colusa	201,910	1,746	125,083	239,966	568,705	7,684	576,389	4,293	157,872	1,838	740,392	100%	0	740,392	
Contra Costa	39,587	12,242	6,650	47,836	106,315	173,041	279,356	137,517	43,895	53,255	514,020	100%	0	514,020	
El Dorado	1,201	1,042	6,621	81,282	88,146	185,283	273,429	25,691	230,404	6,880	536,404	47%	608,519	1,144,923	
Fresno	367,196	141,046	95,212	42,135	645,589	319,814	965,403	93,309	60,594	3,891	1,123,197	29%	2,727,315	3,850,512	
Glenn	168,217	88,648	11,073	140,078	408,016	176,296	584,312	5,378	253,678	5,759	849,127	100%	0	849,127	
Imperial	199,708	319,371	592	35,218	554,889	0	554,889	23,952	448,742	985	1,028,568	100%	1,839,858	2,868,426	
Kern	537,043	112,258	54,103	0	703,404	895,146	1,598,550	80,028	871,068	973	2,550,619	49%	2,670,765	5,221,384	
Kings	142,529	429,172	24,494	6,511	602,706	244,175	846,881	28,244	15,595	66	890,786	100%	0	890,786	
Lake	16,720	1,408	9,216	18,951	46,295	243,171	289,466	13,451	501,273	46,793	850,983	100%	0	850,983	
Los Angeles	24,632	991	932	30,736	57,291	218,118	275,409	159,534	639,104	3,457	1,077,504	43%	1,451,966	2,529,470	
Madera	102,122	85,397	160,892	30,571	378,982	399,228	778,210	22,241	54,671	5,918	861,040	63%	516,495	1,377,535	
Marin	14	376	56	67,029	67,475	91,847	159,322	40,240	134,424	44,675	378,661	100%	0	378,661	
Mariposa	29	98	131	0	258	408,330	408,588	2,226	71,585	6,047	488,446	52%	447,151	935,597	
Merced	289,056	160,065	96,585	47,932	593,638	580,942	1,174,580	30,556	39,306	16,978	1,261,420	100%	0	1,261,420	
Modoc	73,167	48,481	8,486	99,436	229,570	601,271	830,841	3,167	17,433	56,225	907,666	34%	1,782,015	2,689,681	
Monterey	170,774	38,714	15,236	0	224,720	1,076,031	1,300,755	50,030	764,098	6,245	2,121,128	100%	0	2,121,128	
Napa	29,934	8,064	15,252	20,653	74,403	185,644	260,047	20,599	202,678	22,535	505,859	100%	0	505,859	
Nevada	374	988	304	20,278	21,944	129,890	181,834	14,648	122,761	2,145	291,388	47%	332,448	623,836	
Orange	11,099	842	6,259	0	18,200	38,518	56,718	269,986	181,770	986	509,460	100%	0	509,460	
Placer	9,750	5,195	22,727	114,452	152,124	31,695	183,819	37,608	185,057	5,047	411,531	43%	548,559	960,090	
Riverside	159,459	53,767	41,674	246,838	501,738	134,599	636,337	240,888	1,000,442	56,948	1,934,615	41%	2,738,480	4,673,095	
Sacramento	121,979	67,712	13,521	33,731	236,943	165,250	402,193	150,727	64,910	18,253	636,083	100%	0	636,083	
San Benito	34,278	9,766	901	39,381	84,326	593,629	677,955	6,748	203,665	1,019	889,387	100%	0	889,387	
San Bernardino	29,975	12,026	3,888	5,036	50,925	954,225	1,005,150	234,980	234,839	1,475,984	12,867,789	11%	11,391,805	12,867,789	
San Diego	10,660	13,617	67,508	105,067	196,852	142,335	339,187	311,490	1,502,927	13,087	2,166,691	80%	545,509	2,712,200	
San Joaquin	429,173	96,800	52,719	53,677	632,369	152,699	785,068	44,289	44,289	11,648	912,600	100%	0	912,600	
San Luis Obispo	39,895	13,912	30,098	273,867	357,772	661,939	1,019,711	71,184	234,888	10,389	1,302,172	61%	822,035	2,124,207	
San Mateo	2,644	177	2,963	3,933	9,717	45,750	55,467	70,830	161,418	65,735	353,450	100%	0	353,450	
Santa Barbara	72,115	6,761	29,331	26,199	134,406	589,641	724,047	59,532	251,973	4,264	1,039,816	64%	593,774	1,633,590	
Santa Clara	32,008	4,900	1,412	8,687	47,007	390,678	437,685	179,482	209,601	8,457	835,225	100%	0	835,225	
Santa Cruz	17,179	3,057	4,393	869	25,498	16,718	42,216	28,587	214,548	357	285,708	100%	0	285,708	
Shasta	20,218	4,583	358	10,172	35,331	409,926	445,257	31,252	538,829	5,875	1,021,213	41%	1,443,960	2,465,173	
Sierra Valley (3)	9,693	4,670	2,645	91,833	108,841	80,705	189,546	745	7,406	75	197,772	4%	5,111,594	5,309,366	
Siskiyou	92,890	30,619	34,148	653,331	810,988	376,289	1,187,277	12,890	62,726	18,399	1,281,292	32%	2,780,933	4,062,225	
Solano	150,356	11,088	13,969	0	175,413	199,270	374,683	53,130	102,375	52,182	582,370	100%	0	582,370	
Sonoma	35,689	16,790	25,052	92,867	170,398	438,637	609,035	66,178	333,632	17,215	1,026,060	100%	0	1,026,060	
Stanislaus	166,558	27,398	48,994	37,650	280,600	116,645	397,245	50,482	24,973	5,542	478,242	49%	491,927	970,169	
Sutter	170,253	113,660	22,234	0	306,167	49,753	355,920	10,668	21,003	1,848	389,439	100%	0	389,439	
Tehama	77,463	19,431	19,447	129,633	245,974	706,309	952,283	10,784	870,206	6,221	1,839,494	97%	53,406	1,892,900	
Tulare	396,125	357,221	11,792	110,042	875,180	439,955	1,315,135	48,500	217,607	4,629	1,585,871	51%	1,513,405	3,099,276	
Ventura	51,818	37,700	22,643	11,076	123,237	207,852	331,089	95,522	125,403	3,939	555,953	47%	618,020	1,173,973	
Yolo	265,915	18,202	55,243	74,303	413,663	143,385	587,048	25,586	63,446	7,371	653,451	100%	0	653,451	
Yuba	45,785	11,032	36,928	0	93,745	143,224	236,969	11,180	157,476	6,192	411,817	100%	0	411,817	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,828,516</b>	<b>2,394,150</b>	<b>1,204,640</b>	<b>3,054,213</b>	<b>11,481,519</b>	<b>13,605,261</b>	<b>25,086,780</b>	<b>3,018,968</b>	<b>11,803,663</b>	<b>669,206</b>	<b>40,578,617</b>		<b>41,117,390</b>	<b>81,696,007</b>	

COUNTY	INTERIM FARMLAND			INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL	GRAZING LAND	AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL	URBAN & BUILT-UP LAND	OTHER LAND	WATER AREA	COUNTY AREA INVENTORIED	PERCENT MAPED (1)	COUNTY AREA NOT INVENTORIED	TOTAL COUNTY AREA (2)
	IRRIGATED	NONIRRIGATED											
		STATEWIDE	LOCAL										
Butte	255,099	295,971	9,372	264,471	264,778	529,249	39,243	327,774	21,643	917,909	86%	155,344	1,073,253
Kern	295,971	6,389	0	302,360	872,372	1,174,732	24,655	1,462,510	8,868	2,670,765	51%	2,550,619	5,221,384
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>551,070</b>	<b>15,761</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>566,831</b>	<b>1,137,150</b>	<b>1,703,981</b>	<b>63,898</b>	<b>1,790,284</b>	<b>30,511</b>	<b>3,558,674</b>		<b>2,705,963</b>	<b>6,294,637</b>

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TABLE B-2  
IMPORTANT FARMLAND ACREAGE SUMMARY 2000

COUNTY	IMPORTANT FARMLAND			IMPORTANT FARMLAND SUBTOTAL	GRAZING LAND	AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL	URBAN & BUILT-UP LAND	OTHER LAND	WATER AREA	COUNTY AREA INVENTORIED	PERCENT MAPPED (1)	COUNTY AREA NOT INVENTORIED	TOTAL COUNTY AREA (2)
	PRIME	STATEWIDE	LOCAL										
Alameda	7,222	1,484	0	10,348	247,227	287,575	141,532	73,704	52,528	525,339	100%	0	525,339
Anador	3,873	1,849	2,789	11,565	190,791	202,366	7,363	85,332	5,323	300,374	77%	87,451	387,825
Colusa	202,232	1,811	236,354	565,894	7,526	573,420	4,257	160,877	1,838	740,392	100%	0	740,392
Contra Costa	38,069	11,657	47,404	103,308	171,253	274,561	142,315	43,892	53,252	514,020	100%	0	514,020
El Dorado	1,117	1,016	4,406	89,675	183,944	273,619	26,132	229,777	6,876	536,404	47%	608,519	1,144,923
Fresno	363,758	139,546	93,751	642,167	319,691	961,858	97,002	60,446	3,891	1,123,197	29%	2,727,315	3,850,512
Glenn	166,549	87,784	11,605	407,903	176,071	583,974	5,609	253,785	5,759	849,127	100%	0	849,127
Imperial	199,595	319,272	582	554,963	0	554,963	24,318	448,373	914	1,028,568	36%	1,839,858	2,868,426
Kern	531,205	109,622	51,076	691,903	903,243	1,595,146	82,149	872,351	973	2,550,619	49%	2,670,765	5,221,384
Kings	142,665	433,245	24,740	607,501	238,301	845,802	28,939	15,979	66	890,786	100%	0	890,786
Lake	16,980	1,407	18,503	47,966	241,837	289,803	13,528	500,859	46,793	850,983	100%	0	850,983
Los Angeles	28,798	994	978	60,620	216,811	277,431	162,513	634,103	3,457	1,077,504	43%	1,451,966	2,529,470
Madera	102,053	85,086	163,543	374,723	401,568	776,291	23,071	55,760	5,918	861,040	63%	516,495	1,377,535
Marin	14	392	167	67,275	91,684	188,959	40,547	134,444	44,711	378,661	100%	1,839,858	2,868,426
Mariposa	29	98	145	272	408,308	408,580	2,227	71,592	6,047	488,446	52%	447,151	935,597
Merced	286,924	158,536	98,965	590,513	581,501	1,172,014	31,596	40,832	16,978	1,261,420	100%	0	1,261,420
Modoc	73,058	49,103	9,040	228,677	602,123	830,800	3,171	17,470	56,225	907,666	34%	1,782,015	2,689,681
Monterey	174,151	44,580	20,604	239,335	1,060,630	1,299,965	52,487	762,430	6,246	2,121,128	100%	0	2,121,128
Napa	31,158	8,990	17,136	75,288	184,409	289,697	21,110	202,621	22,431	505,859	100%	0	505,859
Nevada	375	987	285	21,972	129,760	151,732	14,727	122,784	2,145	291,388	47%	332,448	623,836
Orange	10,127	763	6,063	16,953	37,964	54,917	273,383	180,174	986	509,460	100%	0	509,460
Placer	9,901	5,312	23,616	111,987	29,656	180,472	41,448	184,585	5,026	411,531	43%	548,559	960,090
Riverside	150,984	49,431	40,950	243,456	124,769	609,590	254,968	1,007,256	62,801	1,934,615	41%	2,738,480	4,673,095
Sacramento	116,116	62,650	15,609	39,745	184,409	396,464	157,157	64,209	18,253	636,083	100%	0	636,083
San Benito	33,789	9,598	1,118	81,700	595,538	677,238	7,031	203,977	1,141	889,387	100%	0	889,387
San Bernardino	25,665	10,616	3,644	44,741	987,214	1,001,955	237,898	235,116	1,015	1,475,984	11%	11,391,805	12,867,789
San Diego	10,109	13,286	57,298	193,090	112,397	330,708	323,927	1,498,965	13,091	2,166,691	80%	545,509	2,712,200
San Joaquin	423,158	93,846	57,977	630,990	150,332	781,322	74,150	45,480	11,648	912,600	100%	0	912,600
San Luis Obispo	41,386	17,264	34,979	355,541	662,021	1,017,562	39,383	234,903	10,324	1,302,172	61%	822,035	2,124,207
San Mateo	2,668	177	3,066	3,969	45,716	55,996	71,134	160,985	65,735	353,450	100%	0	353,450
Santa Barbara	74,105	8,009	32,297	139,810	583,710	723,520	61,023	251,009	4,264	1,039,816	64%	593,774	1,633,590
Santa Clara	30,050	4,597	13,860	44,023	389,210	433,233	184,183	209,325	8,452	835,225	100%	0	835,225
Santa Cruz	17,031	3,214	4,394	25,508	16,587	42,095	29,293	213,963	357	285,708	100%	0	285,708
Shasta	19,815	4,716	405	10,416	409,477	444,829	32,657	537,852	5,875	1,021,213	41%	1,443,960	2,465,173
Sierra Valley (3)	9,014	4,814	2,640	108,962	80,100	189,062	832	7,803	75	197,772	4%	5,111,594	5,309,366
Siskiyou	92,983	30,587	35,033	810,642	376,205	1,186,847	13,167	62,879	18,399	1,281,292	32%	2,780,933	4,062,225
Solano	148,119	10,597	13,860	172,576	198,826	371,402	53,809	104,977	52,182	582,370	100%	0	582,370
Sonoma	37,029	18,914	30,290	173,867	432,684	606,551	70,804	331,629	17,076	1,026,060	100%	0	1,026,060
Stanislaus	266,340	29,100	56,269	348,560	375,147	761,707	55,336	46,753	5,542	869,338	90%	100,831	970,169
Sutter	169,782	111,296	20,213	301,291	50,896	352,187	11,360	24,044	1,848	389,439	100%	0	389,439
Tehama	73,772	19,760	18,486	244,781	706,026	950,807	11,459	871,007	6,221	1,839,494	97%	53,406	1,892,900
Tulare	393,036	351,689	11,749	874,215	439,933	1,314,148	49,378	217,694	4,651	1,585,871	51%	1,513,405	3,099,276
Ventura	51,624	37,613	22,608	122,942	206,693	329,635	97,235	125,144	3,939	555,953	47%	618,020	1,173,973
Yolo	264,452	18,072	54,390	408,841	144,695	553,536	25,939	66,577	7,399	653,451	100%	0	653,451
Yuba	44,486	10,991	34,699	90,176	144,551	234,727	11,542	159,310	6,238	411,817	100%	0	411,817
TOTAL	4,885,366	2,384,371	1,227,292	11,534,066	13,814,590	25,348,656	3,113,089	11,833,059	674,909	40,969,713		40,726,294	81,696,007

COUNTY	INTERIM FARMLAND		INTERIM FARMLAND SUBTOTAL	AGRICULTURAL LAND SUBTOTAL	URBAN & BUILT-UP LAND	OTHER LAND	WATER AREA	COUNTY AREA INVENTORIED	PERCENT MAPPED (1)	COUNTY AREA NOT INVENTORIED	TOTAL COUNTY AREA (2)
	IRRIGATED	NONIRRIGATED									
Butte	249,414	7,901	257,315	522,297	40,185	333,784	21,643	917,909	86%	155,344	1,073,253
Kern	295,181	3,342	298,523	1,172,922	24,806	1,464,169	8,868	2,670,765	51%	2,550,619	5,221,384
TOTAL	544,595	11,243	555,838	1,695,219	64,991	1,797,953	30,511	3,588,674		2,705,963	6,294,637

(1) Counties that are not completely inventoried typically contain large public land holdings, such as National Forests, that are not covered by modern soil surveys.

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TABLE B-3  
**IMPORTANT FARMLAND ACREAGE SUMMARY, BY REGION, 2000**

COUNTY	IRRIGATED FARMLAND			NONIRRIGATED		FARMLAND SUBTOTAL	URBAN & BUILT-UP LAND	OTHER LAND	WATER	COUNTY AREA MAPPED	TOTAL COUNTY AREA
	PRIME	STATEWIDE	UNIQUE	LOCAL	GRAZING LAND						
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>											
Imperial	199,595	319,272	582	35,514	0	554,963	24,318	448,373	914	1,028,568	2,868,426
Los Angeles	28,798	994	978	29,850	216,811	277,431	162,513	634,103	3,457	1,077,504	2,529,470
Orange	10,127	763	6,063	0	37,964	54,917	273,383	180,174	986	509,460	509,460
Riverside	150,984	49,431	40,950	243,456	124,769	609,590	254,968	1,007,256	62,801	1,934,615	4,673,095
San Bernardino	25,665	10,616	3,644	4,816	957,214	1,001,955	237,898	235,116	1,015	1,475,984	12,867,789
San Diego	10,109	13,286	57,298	112,397	137,618	330,708	323,927	1,498,965	13,091	2,166,691	2,712,200
Ventura	51,624	37,613	22,608	11,097	206,693	329,635	97,235	125,144	3,939	555,953	1,173,973
Subtotals	476,902	431,975	132,123	437,130	1,681,069	3,159,199	1,374,242	4,129,131	86,203	8,748,775	27,334,413
<b>SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY (1)</b>											
Fresno	363,758	139,546	93,751	45,112	319,691	961,858	97,002	60,446	3,891	1,123,197	3,850,509
Kern (NW,SE)	531,205	109,622	51,076	0	903,243	1,595,146	82,149	872,351	973	2,550,619	5,221,384
Kings	142,665	433,245	24,740	6,851	238,301	845,802	28,939	15,979	66	890,786	890,786
Madera	102,053	85,086	163,543	24,041	401,568	776,291	23,071	55,760	5,918	861,040	1,377,535
Merced	286,924	158,536	98,965	46,088	581,501	1,172,014	31,596	40,832	16,978	1,261,420	1,261,420
San Joaquin	423,158	93,846	57,977	56,009	150,332	781,322	74,150	45,480	11,648	912,600	912,600
Stanislaus	266,340	29,100	56,269	34,851	375,147	761,707	55,336	46,753	5,542	869,338	970,169
Tulare	393,036	351,689	11,749	117,741	439,933	1,314,148	49,378	217,694	4,651	1,585,871	3,099,276
Subtotals	2,509,139	1,400,670	558,070	330,693	3,409,716	8,208,288	441,621	1,355,295	49,667	10,054,871	17,583,679
<b>CENTRAL COAST</b>											
Monterey	174,151	44,580	20,604	0	1,060,630	1,299,965	52,487	762,430	6,246	2,121,128	2,121,128
San Benito	33,789	9,598	1,118	37,195	595,538	677,238	7,031	203,977	1,141	889,387	889,387
San Luis Obispo	41,386	17,264	34,979	261,912	662,021	1,017,562	39,383	234,903	10,324	1,302,172	2,124,207
Santa Barbara	74,105	8,009	32,297	25,399	583,710	723,520	61,023	251,009	4,264	1,039,816	1,633,590
Subtotals	323,431	79,451	88,998	324,506	2,901,899	3,718,285	159,924	1,452,319	21,975	5,352,503	6,768,312
<b>SAN FRANCISCO BAY</b>											
Alameda	7,222	1,484	1,642	0	247,227	257,575	141,532	73,704	52,528	525,339	525,339
Contra Costa	38,069	11,657	6,178	47,404	171,253	274,561	142,315	43,892	53,252	514,020	514,020
Marin	14	392	167	66,702	91,684	158,959	40,547	134,444	44,711	378,661	378,661
Napa	31,158	8,990	17,136	18,004	184,409	259,697	21,110	202,621	22,431	505,859	505,859
San Mateo	2,668	177	3,066	3,969	45,716	55,596	71,134	160,985	65,735	353,450	353,450
Santa Clara	30,050	4,597	1,169	8,207	389,210	433,233	184,183	209,357	8,452	835,225	835,225
Santa Cruz	17,031	3,214	4,394	869	16,587	42,095	29,293	213,963	357	285,708	285,708
Solano	148,119	10,597	13,860	0	198,826	371,402	53,809	104,977	52,182	582,370	582,370
Sonoma	37,029	18,914	30,290	87,634	432,684	606,551	70,804	331,629	17,076	1,026,060	1,026,060
Subtotals	311,360	60,022	77,902	232,789	1,777,596	2,459,669	754,727	1,475,572	316,724	5,006,692	5,006,692
<b>SIERRA Foothill</b>											
Amador	3,873	1,849	3,054	2,789	190,791	202,356	7,363	85,332	5,323	300,374	387,825
El Dorado	1,117	1,016	4,406	83,136	183,944	273,619	26,132	229,777	6,876	536,404	1,144,923
Mariposa	29	98	145	0	408,308	408,580	2,227	71,592	6,047	488,446	935,597
Nevada	375	987	285	20,325	129,760	151,732	14,727	122,784	2,145	291,388	623,836
Placer	9,901	5,312	23,616	111,987	29,656	180,472	41,448	184,585	5,026	411,531	960,090
Subtotals	15,295	9,262	31,506	218,237	942,459	1,216,759	91,897	694,070	25,417	2,028,143	4,052,271
<b>SACRAMENTO VALLEY (1)</b>											
Colusa	202,232	1,811	125,497	236,354	7,526	573,420	4,257	160,877	1,838	740,392	740,393
Glenn	166,549	87,784	11,605	141,965	176,071	583,974	5,609	253,785	5,759	849,127	849,127
Sacramento	116,116	62,650	15,609	39,745	162,344	396,464	157,157	64,209	18,253	636,083	636,083
Shasta	19,815	4,716	405	10,416	409,477	444,829	32,657	537,852	5,875	1,021,213	2,465,173
Sutter	169,782	111,296	20,213	0	50,896	352,187	11,360	24,044	1,848	389,439	389,439
Tehama	73,772	19,760	18,486	132,763	706,026	950,807	11,459	871,007	6,221	1,839,494	1,892,900
Yolo	264,452	18,072	54,390	71,927	144,695	553,536	25,939	66,577	7,399	653,451	653,451
Yuba	44,486	10,991	34,699	0	144,551	234,727	11,542	159,310	6,238	411,817	411,817
Subtotals	1,057,204	317,080	280,904	633,170	1,801,586	4,089,944	259,980	2,137,661	53,431	6,541,016	8,038,383
<b>NORTH STATE (northwest &amp; northeast)</b>											
Lake	16,980	1,407	11,076	18,503	241,837	289,803	13,528	500,859	46,793	850,983	850,983
Modoc	73,058	49,103	9,040	97,476	602,123	830,800	3,171	17,470	56,225	907,666	2,689,681
Sierra Valley	9,014	4,814	2,640	92,494	80,100	189,062	832	7,803	75	197,772	5,309,366
Siskiyou	92,983	30,587	35,033	652,039	376,205	1,186,847	13,167	62,879	18,399	1,281,292	4,062,225
Subtotals	192,035	85,911	57,789	860,512	1,300,265	2,496,512	30,698	589,011	121,492	3,237,713	12,912,255
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>4,885,366</b>	<b>2,384,371</b>	<b>1,227,292</b>	<b>3,037,037</b>	<b>13,814,590</b>	<b>25,348,656</b>	<b>3,113,089</b>	<b>11,833,059</b>	<b>674,909</b>	<b>40,969,713</b>	<b>81,696,005</b>
<b>INTERIM MAPPING AREAS (1)</b>											
Butte			249,414	7,901	264,982	522,297	40,185	333,784	21,643	917,909	1,073,253
Kern (NE,SW)			295,181	3,342	874,399	1,172,922	24,806	1,464,169	8,868	2,670,765	5,221,384
<b>INTERIM TOTALS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>544,595</b>	<b>11,243</b>	<b>1,139,381</b>	<b>1,695,219</b>	<b>64,991</b>	<b>1,797,953</b>	<b>30,511</b>	<b>3,588,674</b>	<b>6,294,637</b>

(1) Butte County is within the Sacramento Valley and the Interim portions of Kern County are in the San Joaquin Valley. To obtain total study area figures, add the Interim area figures to their regional subtotals.



**Appendix C**  
**County and Regional Conversion**  
**Summaries**

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Table C-1  
**SOURCES OF URBAN LAND 1998-2000**  
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 LAND COMMITTED TO NONAGRICULTURAL USE

COUNTY	Shifts to Urban and Built-Up Land from (1):					Land Committed to	
	Prime	Statewide & Unique	Other Land & Water	Grazing & Local	Total	Nonagricultural Use (2)	
						Prime	Total
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>							
Imperial	54	226	165	-79	366	0	0
Los Angeles	254	20	1,044	1,661	2,979	71	10,519
Orange	861	111	1,783	642	3,397	518	2,781
Riverside	2,212	290	8,158	3,420	14,080	3,732	46,982
San Bernardino	750	190	1,182	796	2,918	363	16,307
San Diego	310	1,127	6,723	4,277	12,437	202	9,007
Ventura	215	447	470	581	1,713	790	8,283
Subtotals	4,656	2,411	19,525	11,298	37,890	5,676	93,879
<b>SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY</b>							
Fresno	1,358	793	601	941	3,693	1,885	6,629
Kern (NW,SE)	741	101	1,175	104	2,121	3,653	4,343
Kings	235	432	31	-3	695	225	318
Madera	117	66	195	452	830	532	6,475
Merced	447	427	96	70	1,040	202	1,258
San Joaquin	1,529	508	206	312	2,555	5,433	9,000
Stanislaus (3)	636	54	148	60	898	1,398	3,007
Tulare	547	145	145	41	878	1,354	2,745
Subtotals	5,610	2,526	2,597	1,977	12,710	14,682	33,775
<b>CENTRAL COAST</b>							
Monterey	544	12	1,216	685	2,457	855	1,298
San Benito	196	10	-17	94	283	0	0
San Luis Obispo	64	51	445	1,639	2,199	0	638
Santa Barbara	257	107	894	233	1,491	516	1,062
Subtotals	1,061	180	2,538	2,651	6,430	1,371	2,998
<b>SAN FRANCISCO BAY</b>							
Alameda	170	114	476	774	1,534	210	5,117
Contra Costa	1,085	244	417	3,052	4,798	1,224	4,266
Marin	0	0	157	150	307	0	48
Napa	99	72	79	261	511	73	2,173
San Mateo	0	41	263	0	304	0	646
Santa Clara	1,697	207	809	1,988	4,701	1,005	3,221
Santa Cruz	38	32	591	45	706	59	122
Solano	131	18	75	455	679	386	5,874
Sonoma	340	323	1,972	1,991	4,626	51	1,071
Subtotals	3,560	1,051	4,839	8,716	18,166	3,008	22,538
<b>SIERRA FOOTHILL</b>							
Amador	5	0	-31	77	51	0	17
El Dorado	0	0	98	343	441	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	-3	4	1	0	1,495
Nevada	0	0	19	60	79	0	1,030
Placer	48	-17	572	3,237	3,840	0	3,878
Subtotals	53	-17	655	3,721	4,412	0	6,420
<b>SACRAMENTO VALLEY</b>							
Colusa	81	4	-184	63	-36	0	0
Glenn	39	0	24	168	231	898	2,915
Sacramento	1,340	523	1,182	3,385	6,430	0	3,415
Shasta	30	-8	1,163	220	1,405	0	3,217
Sutter	179	262	109	142	692	10	340
Tehama	189	10	293	183	675	144	3,877
Yolo	332	39	-52	34	353	633	2,529
Yuba	34	47	72	209	362	0	0
Subtotals	2,224	877	2,607	4,404	10,112	1,685	16,293
<b>NORTH STATE (northwest &amp; northeast)</b>							
Lake	0	0	56	21	77	0	0
Modoc	0	0	4	0	4	0	8,384
Sierra Valley	14	0	7	66	87	7	3,497
Siskiyou	0	0	2	275	277	0	63
Subtotals	14	0	69	362	445	7	11,944
<b>INTERIM MAPPING AREAS</b>							
Butte	NA	410	353	179	942	NA	0
Kern (NE,SW)	NA	-64	414	-199	151	NA	663
Subtotals		346	767	179	1,093		663
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>17,178</b>	<b>7,374</b>	<b>33,597</b>	<b>33,308</b>	<b>91,258</b>	<b>26,429</b>	<b>188,510</b>

(1) New Urban Land acreages are net figures.

(2) Land Committed to Nonagricultural Use information is voluntarily submitted by City and County Planning Departments.

(3) Conversion figures for Stanislaus County do not include the area west of the San Joaquin River, which was added to the survey area in 2000.

Table C-2  
**IRRIGATED FARMLAND CHANGES 1998-2000 (1)**

ASIDE FROM URBANIZATION

COUNTY	<i>Land converted to Irrigated Agriculture:</i>			<i>Land removed from Irrigated Agriculture:</i>		
	Grazing, Local, Other Land & Urban to Prime	Grazing, Local, Other Land & Urban to Statewide & Unique	Total	Prime, Statewide & Unique to Other Land	Prime, Statewide & Unique to Local & Grazing	Total
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>						
Imperial	574	678	1,252	691	503	1,194
Los Angeles	5,530	194	5,724	328	866	1,194
Orange	9	67	76	207	103	310
Riverside	3,336	968	4,304	4,044	11,277	15,321
San Bernardino	160	162	322	910	4,399	5,309
San Diego	1,446	10,712	12,158	9,377	11,988	21,365
Ventura	277	407	684	103	11	114
Subtotals	11,332	13,188	24,520	15,660	29,147	44,807
<b>SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY</b>						
Fresno	169	355	524	398	4,360	4,758
Kern (NW,SE)	5,280	2,534	7,814	7,043	10,834	17,877
Kings	750	6,415	7,165	391	1,327	1,718
Madera	439	3,376	3,815	970	313	1,283
Merced	1,178	5,811	6,989	1,541	5,818	7,359
San Joaquin	193	6,355	6,548	1,314	6,902	8,216
Stanislaus (2)	625	5,246	5,871	1,444	197	1,641
Tulare	1,082	1,164	2,246	483	9,656	10,139
Subtotals	9,716	31,256	40,972	13,584	39,407	52,991
<b>CENTRAL COAST</b>						
Monterey	7,903	11,585	19,488	1,939	2,148	4,087
San Benito	77	105	182	81	323	404
San Luis Obispo	2,584	10,481	13,065	84	3,059	3,143
Santa Barbara	4,459	5,450	9,909	544	2,616	3,160
Subtotals	15,023	27,621	42,644	2,648	8,146	10,794
<b>SAN FRANCISCO BAY</b>						
Alameda	219	741	960	43	794	837
Contra Costa	0	5	5	80	1,166	1,246
Marin	0	127	127	0	0	0
Napa	1,902	2,559	4,461	258	446	704
San Mateo	24	180	204	0	36	36
Santa Clara	95	56	151	323	358	681
Santa Cruz	26	179	205	91	0	91
Solano	74	129	203	2,502	389	2,891
Sonoma	2,515	11,382	13,897	1,560	2,688	4,248
Subtotals	4,855	15,358	20,213	4,857	5,877	10,734
<b>SIERRA FOOTHILL</b>						
Amador	87	579	666	17	147	164
El Dorado	1	30	31	9	347	356
Mariposa	0	14	14	0	0	0
Nevada	1	3	4	0	23	23
Placer	676	2,824	3,500	516	1,759	2,275
Subtotals	765	3,450	4,215	542	2,276	2,818
<b>SACRAMENTO VALLEY</b>						
Colusa	2,435	3,367	5,802	4,091	651	4,742
Glenn	1,433	1,681	3,114	652	4,280	4,932
Sacramento	119	2,777	2,896	240	9,619	9,859
Shasta	692	218	910	421	636	1,057
Sutter	1,427	857	2,284	3,403	3,210	6,613
Tehama	2,733	1,278	4,011	1,361	6,674	8,035
Yolo	933	745	1,678	1,374	2,274	3,648
Yuba	424	255	679	1,421	2,741	4,162
Subtotals	10,196	11,178	21,374	12,963	30,085	43,048
<b>NORTH STATE (northwest &amp; northeast)</b>						
Lake	207	1,984	2,191	23	49	72
Modoc	710	1,744	2,454	33	1,354	1,387
Sierra Valley	154	1,082	1,236	2	1,748	1,750
Siskiyou	181	1,075	1,256	0	310	310
Subtotals	1,252	5,885	7,137	58	3,461	3,519
<b>INTERIM MAPPING AREAS</b>						
Butte	NA	3,315	3,315	6,086	2,097	8,183
Kern (NE,SW)	NA	3,451	3,451	2,382	1,701	4,083
Subtotals		6,766	6,766	8,468	3,798	12,266
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>53,139</b>	<b>114,702</b>	<b>167,841</b>	<b>58,780</b>	<b>122,197</b>	<b>180,977</b>

(1) Agricultural change data compiled from Part III of individual county tables. Figures do not include shifts among irrigated categories (soil unit revisions).

(2) Conversion figures for Stanislaus County do not include the area west of the San Joaquin River, which was added to the survey area in 2000.

Table C-3  
**NET CHANGE IN IRRIGATED LAND**

**1998-2000**

From all Factors (1)

Grouped by Region	Rank by County (3) 1998-2000
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>	
Imperial -222	Monterey 14,611
Los Angeles 4,215	San Luis Obispo 9,724
Orange -1,247	Sonoma 8,702
Riverside -13,535	Santa Barbara 6,204
San Bernardino -5,964	Kings 4,455
San Diego -11,092	Los Angeles 4,215
Ventura -316	Napa 3,534
Subtotals -28,161	Stanislaus (2) 3,472
<b>SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY</b>	
Fresno -6,399	Madera 2,271
Kern (NW,SE) -11,501	Lake 2,119
Kings 4,455	Placer 1,157
Madera 2,271	Modoc 1,067
Merced -1,281	Siskiyou 946
San Joaquin -3,711	Colusa 801
Stanislaus (2) 3,472	Amador 497
Tulare -8,664	San Mateo 127
Subtotals -21,358	Marin 127
<b>CENTRAL COAST</b>	
Monterey 14,611	Mariposa 14
San Benito -440	Santa Cruz 10
San Luis Obispo 9,724	Nevada -19
Santa Barbara 6,204	Alameda -171
Subtotals 30,099	Imperial -222
<b>SAN FRANCISCO BAY</b>	
Alameda -171	Shasta -223
Contra Costa -2,575	Ventura -316
Marin 127	El Dorado -325
Napa 3,534	San Benito -440
San Mateo 127	Sierra Valley -540
Santa Clara -2,504	Orange -1,247
Santa Cruz 10	Merced -1,281
Solano -2,837	Glenn -2,000
Sonoma 8,702	Yolo -2,446
Subtotals 4,413	Santa Clara -2,504
<b>SIERRA FOOTHILL</b>	
Amador 497	Contra Costa -2,575
El Dorado -325	Solano -2,837
Mariposa 14	Yuba -3,569
Nevada -19	San Joaquin -3,711
Placer 1,157	Tehama -4,323
Subtotals 1,324	Sutter -4,876
<b>SACRAMENTO VALLEY</b>	
Colusa 801	Butte -5,685
Glenn -2,000	San Bernardino -5,964
Sacramento -8,837	Fresno -6,399
Shasta -223	Tulare -8,664
Sutter -4,876	Sacramento -8,837
Tehama -4,323	San Diego -11,092
Yolo -2,446	Kern -12,291
Yuba -3,569	Riverside -13,535
Subtotals -25,473	
<b>NORTH STATE (northwest &amp; northeast)</b>	
Lake 2,119	
Modoc 1,067	
Sierra Valley -540	
Siskiyou 946	
Subtotals 3,592	
<b>INTERIM MAPPING AREAS</b>	
Butte -5,685	
Kern (NE,SW) -790	
Subtotals -6,475	
<b>GRAND TOTALS -42,039</b>	

(1) Data compiled from Part I of individual county tables. Net change includes the impact of urbanization, conversion to Other Land, removal from irrigated use due to idling, as well as conversions into irrigated use. The net figure also includes any soil unit reclassifications or other revisions within irrigated categories.

(2) Conversion figures for Stanislaus County do not include the area west of the San Joaquin River, which was added to the survey area in 2000.

(3) Figures for Important and Interim sections of Kern County have been grouped for county ranking.

# **Appendix D**

## **Farmland of Local Importance**

### **Definitions**

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# Farmland of Local Importance

**F**armland of Local Importance is land of importance to the local economy, as defined by each county's local advisory committee and adopted by its Board of Supervisors. Farmland of Local Importance is either currently producing, or has the capability of production, but does not meet the criteria of Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance, or Unique Farmland. Authority to adopt or to recommend changes to the category of Farmland of Local Importance rests with the Board of Supervisors in each county.

## **ALAMEDA**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Alameda County.

## **AMADOR**

Land that is currently in agricultural production and that is providing an economic return equal to that from the prime soil types.

## **COLUSA**

The following lands are to be included in the Farmland of Local Importance category: All farmable lands within Colusa County that do not meet the definitions of Prime, Statewide, or Unique, but are currently irrigated pasture or nonirrigated crops; or nonirrigated land with soils qualifying for Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance; or lands that would have Prime or Statewide designation and have been improved for irrigation but are now idle; or lands with a General Plan Land Use designation for agricultural purposes; and lands that are legislated to be used only for agricultural (farmland) purposes.

## **CONTRA COSTA**

The lands within the Tassajara area, extending eastward to the county boundary and bordered on the north by the Black Hills, the Deer, Lone Tree and Briones Valleys, the Antioch area, and the Delta. These lands are typically used for livestock grazing. They are capable of producing dryland grain on a two year summer fallow or longer rotation with volunteer hay and pasture. The farmlands in this category are included in the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service's Land Capability Classes I, II, III, and IV, and lack some irrigation water.

## **EL DORADO**

Lands that do not qualify for the Prime, Statewide, or Unique designation but are considered Existing Agricultural Lands, or Potential Agricultural Lands, in the Agricultural Land Element of the County General Plan. Timberlands are excluded.

## **FRESNO**

All farmable lands within Fresno County that do not meet the definitions of Prime, Statewide, or Unique. This includes land that is or has been used for irrigated pasture, dryland farming, confined livestock and dairy, poultry facilities, aquaculture and grazing land.

**GLENN**

Local Importance (L): All lands not qualifying for Prime, Statewide, or Unique that are cropped on a continuing or cyclic basis (irrigation is not a consideration). All cropland within Glenn County water district boundaries not qualifying for Prime, Statewide, or Unique.

Local Potential (LP): All lands having Prime and Statewide soil mapping units which are not irrigated, regardless of cropping history or irrigation water availability.

**IMPERIAL**

Unirrigated and uncultivated lands with Prime and Statewide soils.

**KERN**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Kern County.

**KINGS**

Land that supports the following commercial agricultural activities: dairies, confined livestock, and poultry operations.

**LAKE**

Lands which do not qualify as Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance or Unique Farmland, but are currently irrigated pasture or nonirrigated crops; and unirrigated land with soils qualifying for Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance. Areas of unirrigated Prime and Statewide Importance soils overlying ground water basins may have more potential for agricultural use.

**LOS ANGELES**

Producing lands that would meet the standard criteria for Prime or Statewide but are not irrigated.

**MADERA**

Lands that are presently under cultivation for small grain crops, but are not irrigated. Also lands that are currently irrigated pasture, but have the potential to be cultivated for row/field crop use.

**MARIN**

Land which is not irrigated, but is cultivated; or has the potential for cultivation.

**MARIPOSA**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Mariposa County.

**MERCED**

Farmlands that have physical characteristics that would qualify for Prime or Statewide except for the lack of irrigation water. Also, farmlands that produce crops that are not listed under Unique but are important to the economy of the county or city.

**MODOC**

Irrigated and dry cropland classified as Class III and Class IV irrigated land if water is or becomes available.

**MONTEREY**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Monterey County.

**NAPA**

These farmlands include areas of soils that meet all the characteristics of Prime Farmland or of additional Farmland of Statewide Importance with the exception of irrigation. These farmlands include dryland grains, haylands, and dryland pasture.

**NEVADA**

Farmlands that have physical characteristics that would qualify for Prime or Statewide except for the lack of irrigation water. Farmlands that produce crops that are not listed under Unique Lands but are important to the economy of the county are: Christmas trees, Sudan grass, Meadow hay, chestnuts, poultry houses and feedlots, improved dryland pasture (not rangeland), and irrigated pasture (it is under Statewide or Prime if soils are listed as such, otherwise as Local).

Also, lands that are legislated to be used only for agricultural (farmland) purposes, such as Williamson Act land in western Nevada County.

**ORANGE**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Orange County.

**PLACER**

Farmlands not covered by the categories of Prime, Statewide, or Unique. They include lands zoned for agriculture by County Ordinance and the California Land Conservation Act as well as dry farmed lands, irrigated pasture lands, and other agricultural lands of significant economic importance to the County and include lands that have a potential for irrigation from Placer County water supplies.

**RIVERSIDE**

Soils that would be classified as Prime and Statewide but lack available irrigation water. Lands planted to dryland crops of barley, oats, and wheat.

Lands producing major crops for Riverside County but that are not listed as Unique crops. These crops are identified as returning one million or more dollars on the 1980 Riverside County Agriculture Crop Report. Crops identified are permanent pasture (irrigated), summer squash, okra, eggplant, radishes, and watermelons.

Dairylands, including corrals, pasture, milking facilities, hay and manure storage areas if accompanied with permanent pasture or hayland of 10 acres or more.

Lands identified by city or county ordinance as Agricultural Zones or Contracts, which includes Riverside City "Proposition R" lands. Lands planted to jojoba which are under cultivation and are of producing age.

**SACRAMENTO**

Lands which do not qualify as Prime, Statewide, or Unique designation but are currently irrigated crops or pasture or nonirrigated crops; lands that would be Prime or Statewide designation and



have been improved for irrigation but are now idle; and lands which currently support confined livestock, poultry operations, and aquaculture.

#### **SAN BENITO**

Land cultivated as dry cropland. Usual crops are wheat, barley, oats, safflower, and grain hay. Also, orchards affected by boron within the area specified in County Resolution Number 84-3.

#### **SAN BERNARDINO**

Farmlands which include areas of soils that meet all the characteristics of Prime, Statewide, or Unique and which are not irrigated.

Farmlands not covered by above categories but are of high economic importance to the community. These farmlands include dryland grains of wheat, barley, oats, and dryland pasture.

#### **SAN DIEGO**

Land that meets all the characteristics of Prime and Statewide, with the exception of irrigation.

Farmlands not covered by the above categories but are of significant economic importance to the county. They have a history of good production for locally adapted crops. The soils are grouped in types that are suited for truck crops (such as tomatoes, strawberries, cucumbers, potatoes, celery, squash, romaine lettuce, and cauliflower) and soils suited for orchard crops (avocados and citrus).

#### **SAN JOAQUIN**

All farmable land within San Joaquin County not meeting the definitions of "Prime Farmland," "Farmland of Statewide Importance," and "Unique Farmland." This includes land that is or has been used for irrigated pasture, dryland farming, confined livestock or dairy facilities, aquaculture, poultry facilities, and dry grazing. It also includes soils previously designated by soil characteristics as "Prime Farmland," "Farmland of Statewide Importance," and "Unique Farmland" that has since become idle.

#### **SAN LUIS OBISPO**

Local Importance (L): areas of soils that meet all the characteristics of Prime or Statewide, with the exception of irrigation. Additional farmlands include dryland field crops of wheat, barley, oats, and safflower.

Local Potential (LP): lands having the potential for farmland, which have Prime or Statewide characteristics and are not cultivated.

#### **SAN MATEO**

Lands other than Prime, Statewide, or Unique that produce the following crops: oats, Christmas trees, pumpkins, dryland pasture, other grains, and haylands. These lands are not irrigated.

#### **SANTA BARBARA**

All dryland farming areas and permanent pasture (if the soils were not eligible for either Prime or Statewide). Dryland farming includes various cereal grains (predominantly wheat, barley, and oats), sudan, and many varieties of beans. (Although beans can be high value crops the production areas are usually rotated with grain, hence the decision to include them under Local

rather than Unique. Also, bean crop yields are highly influenced by climate, so there can be a wide variance in cash value.)

#### **SANTA CLARA**

Small orchards and vineyards primarily in the foothill areas. Also land cultivated as dry cropland for grains and hay.

#### **SANTA CRUZ**

Soils used for Christmas tree farms and nurseries, and that do not meet the definition for Prime, Statewide, or Unique.

#### **SHASTA**

Dryland grain producing lands. Also included are farmlands that are presently irrigated but do not meet the soil characteristics of Prime or Statewide. The majority of these farmlands are located within the Anderson Cottonwood Irrigation District. These soils include Newton gravelly loam (8 to 15 percent slopes), Moda loam, seeped (0 to 3 percent slopes), Moda loam, shallow (0 to 5 percent slopes), and Hillgate loam.

#### **SIERRA VALLEY**

Plumas County: Lands designated as "agricultural preserve" in the 1984 Plumas County General Plan and rangelands with a carrying capacity of 8 acres/animal month, as well as irrigable lands.

Lassen and Sierra counties: Farmlands that include areas of soils that meet all the characteristics of Prime or Statewide and which are not irrigated. Also, all dry land wheat, barley, oats, hayland, and pasture.

#### **SISKIYOU**

Farmlands that include dryland or sub-irrigated hay and grain and improved pasture forage species; these dry farmed lands commonly have inclusions of uncultivated shallow, rocky, or steep soils; farmlands presently irrigated but which do not meet the soil characteristics of Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance; areas currently shown as Prime Agricultural Land in the Siskiyou County General Plan; areas under contract as Agricultural Preserves in Siskiyou County (currently mapped only for the Scott-Shasta-Butte Valley and Tule Lake soil survey areas); other agricultural land of significant importance to the county (currently mapped only for the Scott-Shasta-Butte Valley and Tule Lake soil survey areas); areas previously designated by soil characteristics as Prime Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance, Unique Farmland, and Farmland of Local Importance that have since become idle; lands enrolled in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Conservation Reserve Program.

#### **SOLANO**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Solano County.

#### **SONOMA**

The hayland producing areas of the Santa Rosa Plains, Petaluma Valley, and Tubbs Island Naval Reservation. Additional areas also include those lands which are classified as having the capability for producing locally important crops such as grapes, corn, etc., but may not be planted at the present time.

Examples of these areas include the coastal lands from Fort Ross to Stewarts Point, areas surrounding Bloomfield, Two Rock, Chileno Valley, and areas of Sonoma Valley in the vicinity of Big Bend, Vineburg, and Schellville.

**STANISLAUS**

Farmlands growing dryland pasture, dryland small grains, and irrigated pasture.

**SUTTER**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Sutter County.

**TEHAMA**

All lands which are not included in Prime, Statewide, or Unique and are cropped continuously or on a cyclic basis (irrigation is not a factor). Also, all lands included in the L category which have soil mapping units listed for Prime or Statewide and which are not irrigated.

**TULARE**

Lands that produce dryland grains (barley and wheat); lands that have physical characteristics that would qualify for "Prime" or "Statewide Important" farmlands except for the lack of irrigation water; and lands that currently support confined livestock, poultry, and/or aquaculture operations.

**VENTURA**

Soils that are listed as Prime or Statewide that are not irrigated, and soils growing dryland crops--beans, grain, dryland walnuts, or dryland apricots.

**YOLO**

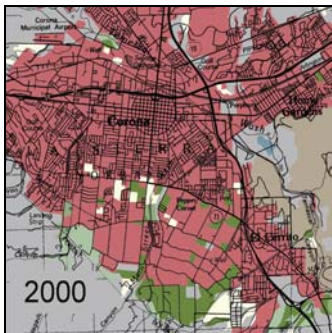
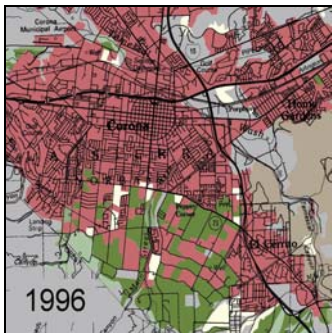
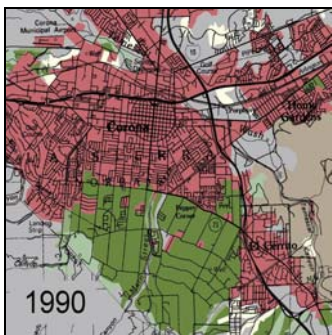
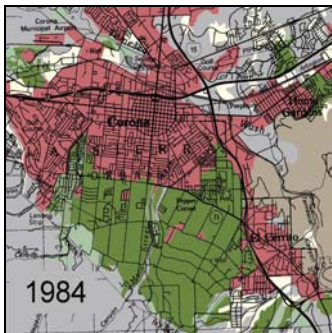
Local Importance (L): cultivated farmland having soils which meet the criteria for Prime or Statewide, except that the land is not presently irrigated, and other nonirrigated farmland.

Local Potential (LP): Prime or Statewide soils which are presently not irrigated or cultivated.

**YUBA**

The Board of Supervisors determined that there will be no Farmland of Local Importance for Yuba County.

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