



**TULARE COUNTY  
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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**DISESTABLISH  
OR DIMINISH AN  
AGRICULTURAL  
PRESERVE)**

**PROJECT TYPE**

☐ Disestablish existing Ag Preserve No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: "Disestablishment" covers an entire Agricultural Preserve.)

☐ Diminish existing Ag Preserve No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: "Diminishment" covers only a portion of a Preserve.)

**A. General Information:**

**Owner** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**B. PARCELS to be removed from Ag Preserve:**

(APN = Assessor's Parcel Number; refer to your tax statement.)

**APN(s)**

**Acreage**

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**Acreage**

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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**Project Number – PAD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Williamson Act Contract No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Agricultural Preserve No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Filing Fee(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Receipt Number(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Received By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMIT CENTER HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.**

### C. EXISTING LAND USE

Use the following spaces to identify the various land uses that are existing on the property. In addition, the general location of said land uses (including crops) shall be shown on the Assessor's Parcel Map to be submitted with this application.

#### LAND USE TYPES

Agricultural Use:	Acreage & Specific Crop	Structures:	Number & Type
Citrus Orchard _____		Dwellings _____	
Fruit Orchard (other) _____		Ag Related Bldgs. _____	
Nut Orchard _____		(note Type) _____	
Vineyard _____		Other Structures _____	
Field Crops _____		or Uses (please specify): _____	
Poultry _____		_____	_____
Dairy _____		_____	_____
Grazing Land _____		_____	_____
Open/vacant _____			
Fallow - former Crop _____		Check this space if property does <u>not</u>	
Other (specify): _____		contain Dwellings or Structures: <input type="checkbox"/>	
_____			

### D. Property Size

1. An Agricultural Preserve (all contiguous parcels) must contain a minimum of 20 acres or 1/32 of a Section of land or more.

a. Total acreage to Disestablish or Diminish: \_\_\_\_\_ acres

- b. If you are diminishing a portion of an existing Preserve, will the remaining land in the subject Preserve meet the 20 acre or 1/32 of a Section minimum size?  
Yes ☐ No ☐

If answered 'No', total size of remaining Preserve: \_\_\_\_\_ acres

2. Each individual parcel within an Agricultural Preserve must also meet the following minimum parcel size, to ensure that they can sustain their agricultural use consistent with the Williamson Act. This is true for parcels being placed into Preserve as well as those that remain in Preserve as a result of a diminishment.

If the land is considered Prime agricultural land (lands generally within the Valley floor area), the minimum parcel size is 10 acres.

If the land is considered Non-prime agricultural land (lands generally within the Foothill area), the minimum parcel size is 40 acres.

If this request is for a Diminishment, will the remaining parcels in the subject Preserve meet the minimum size for either Prime or Non-prime agricultural land, whichever is appropriate in your case? Yes ☐ No ☐

# **APPLICATION TO DISESTABLISH OR DIMINISH AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVE**

## **REQUIREMENTS, FEES AND INSTRUCTIONS** *(Please use dark blue or black ink)*

The application form to Disestablish or Diminish an Agricultural Preserve must be filled out completely and in every respect with all questions answered and all required attachments before the County can officially accept the application for filing. In the course of accepting and processing the application, the Permit Center Official or Planner may ask the applicant to clarify, correct or otherwise supplement the required information. The application may be filed with the Resource Management Agency Permit Center, at 5961 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia CA 93277. Phone is (559) 624-7105.

1. Ordinance No. 352, as amended, requires a filing fee to be paid at the time of filing an application. This fee is to cover the cost to the County for investigations and processing the application through its various stages.

Type of Application	Fee * (Effective 2019)
Disestablish or Diminish an Ag Preserve	\$476

**\*Fees are subject to change by the Board of Supervisors and/or State of California Department of Fish & Game.**

2. The document entitled "The Agricultural Preserve Program as Implemented in Tulare County" contains the Uniform Rules for agricultural preserves and other useful information about the County's Agricultural Preserve Program, and may be obtained at the RMA. An Agricultural Preserve may consist of more than one individual parcel provided that the parcels are contiguous. Applications to DISESTABLISH or DIMINISH an Ag Preserve may be filed only for properties that are no longer subject to a Land Conservation Contract.
3. Due to California's State budget crisis, Tulare County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2009-0091 on February 10, 2009, which established new policies regarding amendments to existing Williamson Act Contracts. If the State fails to pay subvention funds off-setting property tax loss required by the Open Space Subvention Act, the Board has the authority to unilaterally declare the contract terminated as null and void.
4. Applications for Disestablishments or Diminishments may be filed at any time and are not subject to the specific filing time periods for forming or enlarging Ag Preserves.

## **SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS APPLICATION**

1. Completed application
2. Contact information for each owner of property under the subject Williamson Act Contract.
3. Assessor Map Page(s) for the affected parcels. On the Assessor's map, note the present land use(s) and physical improvements on the subject preserve parcel(s).
4. A copy of the most recent deed for each parcel under the subject Williamson Act Contract, with legal description.

<b>**This Space for Office Use Only**</b>
<b>PAD APPLICATION CHECKLIST – FOR PERMIT CENTER PLANNERS</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Assessor's Parcel No(s) and acreage is listed on cover sheet.
<input type="checkbox"/> Name, address and phone number of each current owner of subject property
<input type="checkbox"/> Ownership is verified by review of attached deed(s).
<input type="checkbox"/> Signature of all owners is present on Owner's Affidavit.
<input type="checkbox"/> "Exhibit A" legal description is attached.
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Preserve number and Land Conservation Contract Number have been confirmed in PALMS or GIS.
Confirmed by Permit Center Planner _____ (Initials) Date _____

**ATTACHMENT C**  
**To Administrative Regulation 49**

**COUNTY OF TULARE**  
**CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM**

Application or Solicitation Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Application or Solicitation Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Was a campaign contribution, regardless of the dollar amount, made to any member of the Tulare County Board of Supervisors or to any County Officer, within the last 12 months, by the applicant, or, if applicable, any of the applicant's proposed subcontractors or the applicant's agent or lobbyist?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**If no**, please sign and date below.

**If yes**, please provide the following information:

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contributor(s) or Contributors Firm's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contributor(s) or Contributor Firm's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Contributor: (*check applicable boxes*)

<input type="checkbox"/>	The Applicant	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Subcontractor	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Applicant's agent/ or lobbyist	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Note:** Under California law as implemented by the Fair Political Practices Commission, campaign contributions made by the Applicant and the Applicant's agent/lobbyist who is representing the Applicant in this application or solicitation must be aggregated together to determine the total campaign contribution made by the Applicant.

Identify the Board of Supervisors Member(s) and County Agency Officer(s) to whom you, your subcontractors, and/or agent/lobbyist made campaign contributions, within the last 12 months, the name of the contributor, the dates of contribution(s) and dollar amount of the contribution. Each date must include the exact month, day, and year of the contribution.

Name of Board of Supervisors Member or County Agency Officer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Contributor(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Date(s) of Contribution(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount(s): \_\_\_\_\_

(Please add an additional sheet(s) to identify additional Board Members or County Agency Officer to whom you, your subconsultants, and/or agent/lobbyist made campaign contributions)

By signing below, I certify that the statements made herein are true and correct. I also agree to disclose to the County any future contributions made to Board Members or County Agency Officers by the applicant, or, if applicable, any of the applicant's proposed subcontractors or the applicant's agent or lobbyist after the date of signing this disclosure form, and within 12 months following the approval, renewal, or extension of the requested license, permit, or entitlement to use.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Firm Name if applicable

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Applicant