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Correspondence  
Napa County Farm Bureau Letter





February 12, 2019

Board of Supervisors  
County of Napa  
1195 Third Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Napa, CA 94559

Dear Board of Supervisors:

A number of community groups have asked my office what our position is on renewable energy and I have informed them that our position on renewable energy is as follows:

*We encourage both private and publicly funded research in new methods of generating power or storing power for use at a more convenient time.*

*We encourage the voluntary development of renewable energy such as hydroelectric, solar, wind, geothermal and biomass on public and private lands that is cost-effective to rate payers. Local land-use decision-making should not be usurped in the determination of suitable siting of renewable generation facilities. In the decision-making process for solar-energy projects on public land, priority should be given to those projects located on marginally productive or nonproductive land. Solar projects located on private agriculturally productive lands should be subordinate to the agricultural operation and should not permanently impede or reduce the productive agricultural capacity of the land for future uses. The Napa County Farm Bureau Board of Directors reserves the right to modify this policy based on individual cases.*

If there are any questions about this policy position, please let me know.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ryan P. Klobas', written over a horizontal line.

RYAN P. KLOBAS  
Chief Executive Officer  
Napa County Farm Bureau &  
Napa County Farm Bureau Foundation

CC: Minh Tran  
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