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I am pleased to submit the Agricultural Production Report for 1998, which provides information on acreages, yields, and value of Placer County agricultural products.

Rice was the major leading agricultural industry for Placer County, followed by the nursery industry and the cattle-calves industry.

This report reflects the gross value of agricultural products and not the net income to the growers. Gross agricultural production in 1998 was \$45,831,000, a decrease of \$3,809,700 from 1997. The weather pattern caused by El Niño was the influencing factor affecting production. The timber industry brought in an additional \$19,628,000, for a total value of \$65,459,000. Also included is a report on the sustainable agricultural activities in the County.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the cooperation of all growers, organizations and individuals who provided the information necessary for this report, and to my staff, who coordinated and compiled this report.

Respectfully submitted,



Griffith H. Yamamoto
 Acting Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Hay, Grain	1998	2,800	1.75	4,900	Ton	\$ 85.00	\$ 417,000
	1997	2,900	1.50	4,350	Ton	90.00	392,000
Hay, Other	1998	3,300	2.50	8,250	Ton	75.00	619,000
	1997	3,500	2.25	7,880	Ton	80.00	630,000
Pasture, Irrigated	1998	26,600			Acre	105.00	2,793,000
	1997	26,900			Acre	100.00	2,690,000
Pasture, Other	1998	193,000			Acre	8.00	1,544,000
	1997	194,000			Acre	8.00	1,552,000
Rice	1998	15,300	3.50	53,600	Ton	217.00	11,631,000
	1997	17,900	3.94	70,500	Ton	170.00	11,985,000
Wheat	1998						Under Miscellaneous Field Crops
	1997						Under Miscellaneous Field Crops
Miscellaneous Field Crops*	1998						788,000
	1997						968,000
TOTAL	1998						\$17,792,000
TOTAL	1997						\$18,217,000

*Miscellaneous Field Crops include alfalfa hay, clover seed, corn silage, straw, suday hay, sudan seed, and wheat.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

ITEM	YEAR	BEARING ACREAGE	PRODUCTION		VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL TONS	PER TON	TOTAL
Apples	1998	80	3.85	308	\$677	\$ 209,000
	1997	76	4.51	343	741	254,000
Grapes	1998	83	2.45	203	670	136,000
	1997	80	2.88	230	406	93,400
Kiwi	1998	15	6.87	103	672	69,200
	1997	15	4.80	72	1,000	72,000
Oranges, Mandarins	1998	55	4.33	238	955	227,000
	1997	50	5.12	256	1,200	307,000
Peaches	1998	75	2.76	207	1,120	232,000
	1997	75	2.49	187	1,480	277,000
Pears, Bartlett	1998	40	2.45	98	435	42,600
	1997	40	1.73	69	693	47,800
Pears, Other Varieties	1998					Under Miscellaneous Fruit and Nut Crops
	1997					Under Miscellaneous Fruit and Nut Crops
Persimmons	1998	14	.64	9	1,652	15,000
	1997	14	3.43	48	1,240	59,500
Plums	1998	505	.21	106	1,185	126,000
	1997	550	.39	215	800	172,000
Walnuts	1998	1,091	1.11	1,210	1,090	1,319,000
	1997	1,091	1.55	1,690	1,320	2,231,000
Miscellaneous Fruits & Nuts*	1998					540,000
	1997					1,569,000
TOTAL	1998					\$2,915,800
TOTAL	1997					\$5,082,700

*Miscellaneous Fruit and Nut Crops include bushberries, cherries, nectarines, pears (other varieties), pistachios, prunes and strawberries.

COMPARISON SUMMARY

INDUSTRY	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994
Fruit & Nut Crops	\$ 2,915,800	\$ 5,082,700	\$ 5,405,800	\$ 5,154,700	\$ 5,149,400
Field Crops	\$17,792,000	\$18,217,000	\$19,192,000	\$18,965,000	\$21,076,000
Livestock/Poultry	\$11,798,200	\$12,682,000	\$11,062,000	\$11,982,000	\$13,933,000
Livestock/Poultry Products	\$ 1,983,000	\$ 2,994,000	\$ 2,459,200	\$ 3,084,500	\$ 3,077,200
Nursery Products	\$10,797,000	\$10,245,000	\$ 9,513,000	\$ 8,856,000	\$ 8,427,000
Apiary Products	\$ 545,000	\$ 420,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 241,000	\$ 382,300
Subtotals	\$45,831,000	\$49,640,700	\$47,887,000	\$48,283,200	\$52,044,900
Gross Timber Harvest	\$19,628,000	\$16,381,000	\$16,508,000	\$20,822,000	\$25,030,000
GRAND TOTALS	\$65,459,000	\$66,021,700	\$64,395,000	\$69,105,200	\$77,074,900

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
		NO. OF HEAD	TOTAL LIVEWEIGHT		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cattle and Calves	1998	32,000	209,000	cwt.	\$47.80	\$ 9,990,000
	1997	33,000	215,000	cwt.	48.80	10,492,000
Sheep	1998	14,200	16,300	cwt.	74.80	1,219,000
	1997	14,200	16,300	cwt.	91.60	1,493,000
Swine	1998	1,300	2,860	cwt.	34.00	97,200
	1997	1,300	2,860	cwt.	54.70	156,000
Other Livestock*	1998					492,000
	1997					541,000
TOTAL	1998					\$11,798,200
TOTAL	1997					\$12,682,000

*Other Livestock includes chickens, game birds, goats, goat milk, rabbits, turkeys, and worms.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE	
				PER UNIT	TOTAL
Wool	1998	57,800	lb.	\$0.45	\$ 26,000
	1997	57,800	lb.	0.85	49,000
Miscellaneous Livestock and Poultry Products*	1998				1,957,000
	1997				2,945,000
TOTAL	1998				\$1,983,000
TOTAL	1997				\$2,994,000

*Miscellaneous Livestock and Poultry Products include chicken eggs, market milk, and turkey eggs.

NURSERY PRODUCTS

ITEM	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
Nursery Stock, General	1998	\$10,797,000
	1997	\$10,245,000

GROSS TIMBER HARVEST

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
Timber	1998	65,320,000	bd. ft.	\$19,628,000
	1997	51,211,000	bd. ft.	\$16,381,000

APIARY PRODUCTS

ITEM	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
Apiary Products*	1998	\$545,000
	1997	\$420,000

*Apiary Products include honey, package bees, queens, pollination, and wax

TOP FIVE CROPS FOR 1998

1. Rice \$11,631,000
2. Nursery \$10,797,000
3. Cattle and Calves \$ 9,990,000
4. Walnuts \$ 1,319,000
5. Sheep \$ 1,219,000



Placer County Agricultural Crop Report 1998

ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE REPORT

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL MEASURES

<u>Pest</u>	<u>Control Agent</u>	<u>Scope of Program</u>
Ash Whitefly	Parasitic Wasp	Numerous
Grapeleaf Skeletonizer	Parasitic Fly	Numerous
Italian Thistle	Seed Head Weevil	Numerous
Klamath Weed	Beetle	Numerous
Puncture Vine	Seed and Stem Weevil	Numerous
Skeleton Weed	Gall Mite	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Gallfly	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Hairy Weevil	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Seed Head Weevil	Numerous

PEST EXCLUSION

Shipments Inspected for 1998

20,300 shipments inspected 284 shipments rejected

DETECTION TRAPPING

There were 5 different types of insect traps totaling 475 traps deployed within the County.

REGISTERED ORGANIC FARMS

<u>Crops</u>	<u>Number of Farms</u>	<u>Estimated Acres</u>
Various	18	339

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