

**Yes, I request to be zoned  
Agricultural in the zoning map ...**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessor's Parcel Number:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Property Address:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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### ***About Us***

*In 1917 the El Dorado County Farm Bureau (EDCFB) was formed and we joined the California Farm Bureau Federation in 1919. We formed a mutual benefit membership non-profit corporation in 1946. The purpose of Farm Bureau is to surface, analyze, and solve the problems of farmers, ranchers, and loggers — representing the needs and interests of all **El Dorado County** farming families.*

*EDCFB is a grassroots organization led by a volunteer Board of Directors who represent the commodities grown. It has an ongoing, working relationship with the U. C. Cooperative Extension and Agricultural Commissioner. It serves as a political arm of the farmer speaking out on local, state and national issues that affect the agricultural commodities we raise. We also promote education of our members and the community on agricultural-related issues. We represent 1,200 member families in the county, 300 of which are actively involved in farming.*

***For more information about  
Farm Bureau contact:***

El Dorado County Farm Bureau  
2460 Headington Road  
Placerville, CA 95667

Valerie Zentner @ 530-622-7773  
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# ***El Dorado County's Agricultural "Opt-In" Program***



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## Why would you Opt-in to Agricultural zoning?

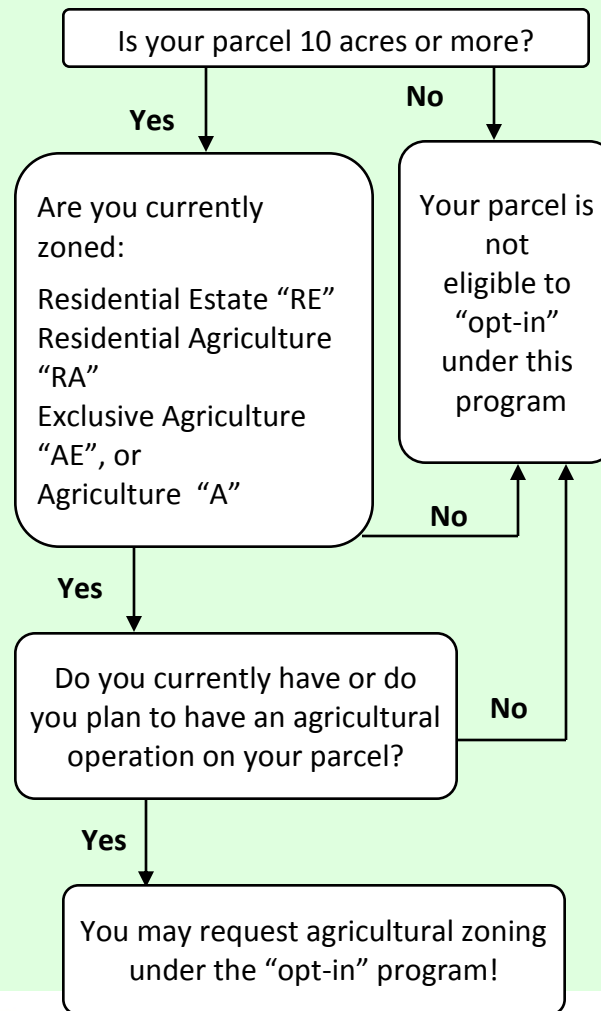
For those who are engaged in commercial agriculture, being zoned properly will ensure that you are protected from impacts associated with increasing development .

- **Right to Farm.** The farmer has the right to use normal farming practices that may make noise, dust, or cause odors *without* being at risk of nuisance complaints from neighbors.
- **Buffers and Agricultural Setbacks.** When new development is planned in your area, your agricultural operation will be protected by buffers and setbacks to make sure your farming will not be impacted by encroachment.
- **Accessory uses.** With appropriate zoning and parcel size, you are entitled to accessory uses that allow you to market your value-added products.
- **Consistency re-zone.** By taking advantage of this opportunity, you may be eligible for a “no cost” consistency re-zone.

The Board of Supervisors will consider your request for agricultural zoning when they analyze the impacts of the proposed Zoning Ordinance. To “opt-in” is to say “Yes, I want to be zoned for agriculture both now and in the future”!




## Does the Agricultural “Opt-in” Program Apply to You?



## How do I inform El Dorado County that I want to Opt-in?

There are three ways to respond to let the county know of your preferred zoning. First, **complete the form** on the reverse of this panel, then:

- **Drop off the completed form** to the Agriculture Department or Development Services Department. 
- **Mail the completed form** in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.
- **Reply via email** to the website link at: [TGPA-ZOU@edcgov.us](mailto:TGPA-ZOU@edcgov.us).

What if I’m not sure what my zoning is, am confused, or have more questions?

- **Check your zoning** at [http://gemp.edcgov.us/zoning\\_luppu/](http://gemp.edcgov.us/zoning_luppu/)
- **Contact the El Dorado County staff** members shown below.

### For More Information Contact:

El Dorado County Agriculture Department  
311 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667  
Chris Flores @ 530-621-7506  
[chris.flores@edcgov.us](mailto:chris.flores@edcgov.us)

-OR-

El Dorado County Development Services Department  
2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667  
Shawna Purvines @ 530-621-5362  
[shawna.purvines@edcgov.us](mailto:shawna.purvines@edcgov.us)