



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
DRIVE, ROOM 102A
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 3/26/2024

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures

Staff Name and Phone Number: Gina Lehl, (707) 565-2371

Vote Requirement: 4/5th

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:

Consolidated Fee Hearings - FY 2024-25 for the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures

Recommended Action:

Adopt a resolution introducing, reading the title, and waiving further reading of the proposed ordinance establishing and amending fees for services provided by the Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures and making minor related amendments to Sonoma County Code Chapter 30 Article 1. The new fees will become effective on July 1, 2024.

Executive Summary:

The County of Sonoma engaged with a consultant, NBS (Consultant) to perform a User Fee Study (Fee Study) in FY 2019-20. The goal of the Study was to present findings regarding maximum allowable cost recovery amounts from the various fee analyses performed as part of the Study, and to provide the County with the information needed to update and establish user and regulatory fees for services. It was determined through that Study that most of the fees collected by the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures (Department) were significantly under the cost recovery amount. During the FY 2022-23 consolidated fee hearings, the Board directed staff to implement a phased approach to reaching full cost recovery. The Consolidated Fee Hearings for FY 2024-25 would be the third year of that phased approach.

Discussion:

California cities, counties, and special districts may impose user and regulatory fees for services and activities they provide through provisions set forth in the State Constitution, Article XIII C §1(e)(1)-(3). Under this legal framework, a fee may not exceed the reasonable cost of providing the service or performing the activity. For a fee to qualify as such, it must relate to a service or activity performed at the request of an individual or entity, or their actions specifically cause the local government agency to perform additional activities.

The methods applied by the Consultant to develop the 100% full cost of service calculations presented in the Fee Study rely on industry standard approaches to fee analysis that are quantitative in nature. The Consultant provided the 100% full cost of service calculation, in FY 2019-20 dollars, for each fee as well as the policy making framework the County may consider when adjusting the amount of cost recovery in accordance with its broader goal as they pertain to code compliance, cost recovery, economic development, and social values.

However, given that the full cost recovery amount used in the Fee Study was based on FY 2019-20 costs, and once operational cost escalations for FY 2020-21 through FY 2022-23 were factored and estimated at approximately 12%, the Board approved an average increase of 15% in fees in FY 2023-24 to keep up with the increased costs. Using the cost-of-service calculations from the 2019-20 report is still applicable because of the time studies source data. There have been no significant changes to process that would warrant amendments to that data at this time.

Prior to FY 2024-25, Department fee increases were based on the San Francisco Bay Area’s consumer price index or increased labor costs. Through the Fee Study, the Department learned that it was recovering 54% of total estimated costs associated with providing user and regulator fee-related services. There were other local policy considerations that supported adopting some fees at less than the calculated full cost recovery amount. The Department adopted the approach to incrementally increase fees over a three-year period (through FY 2024-25) where reaching full cost recovery was desired. Where there were other considerations to maintain a fee subsidy for the benefit to the community or to encourage compliance, a more modest incremental increase was planned over the same three-year period. The Department is now in year three of these incremental increases. The incremental approach varied for each division and is described in the following sections below. The FY 2024-25 proposed rate increases above current fees are as follows:

Operational Division	FY 2024-25 Proposed Rate Increase (average %)
Agriculture	9%
Land Stewardship	16%
Weights & Measures	16%

The Department was impacted by increases to salaries & benefits costs under the labor agreements that were signed during 2023.

Over two years, the total increase, including adjustments to bring salaries in line with comparator counties and cost of living adjustments have totaled 17.9% within the Agriculture and Weights & Measures divisions, and 16% within the Land Stewardship division. These rates are higher than for the County as a whole because salaries for many positions in these divisions were well below those in other jurisdictions. Because the negotiations were not completed at the time of fee development last year, only a modest 4% cost of living adjustment was included in calculations. The proposed fee increase is an average of 9% for the Agriculture division and 16% for the Weights & Measures division. These increases will continue to bring fees closer to cost recovery as adopted during the Fee Hearings for FY 2022-23.

Should the Board approve proposed FY 2024-25 rate increases, cost recovery by operational division is estimated to be as follows:



County of Sonoma
State of California

Date: March 26, 2024

Item Number: 2024-0160

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California,
Introducing, Reading the Title of and Waiving Further Reading of a Proposed Ordinance
Establishing and Amending Fees For Services Provided By the Department of
Agriculture/Weights and Measures and Making Minor Related Amendments to Sonoma
County Code Chapter 30 Article 1**

Whereas, a proposed ordinance titled “An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, Establishing and Amending Fees for Services Provided by the Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures and Making Minor Related Amendments to Sonoma County Code Chapter 30 Article 1” has been introduced and the title read at a duly noticed public hearing ; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that further reading of the ordinance is waived.

Be It Further Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors will consider adoption of the proposed ordinance on consent calendar on April 16, 2024, in the board of Supervisor Chambers, 575 Administration Drive, Room 102A, Santa Rosa, California.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Rabbitt:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.

ORDINANCE NO. ()

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTBLISHING AND AMENDING FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE / WEIGHTS AND MEASURES AND MAKING MINOR RELATED AMENDMENTS TO SONOMA COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 30 ARTICLE 1

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, ordains as follows:

Section I. The California Constitution, Health and Safety Code, Business and Professions Code, Food and Agriculture Code, Government Code, and related regulations, and Sonoma County Code Chapters 11, 26, 29, 30, 36, and 37 authorize the establishment of fees to recover the estimated reasonable cost of services provided by the Department of Agriculture / Weights and Measures (“Agricultural Commissioner Services”).

Section II. To recover the reasonable costs of providing the Agricultural Commissioner Services, as documented by the NBS Consulting Fee Study dated August 21, 2021, it is necessary to adjust certain Agricultural Commissioner Fees as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, commencing July 1, 2024.

Section III (CODIFIED). For consistency among fees and ease of administration, it is desirable to list current fees solely within the Department’s fee schedule and not within the Sonoma County Code (“SCC”). Thus, the Board makes the following changes to the SCC.

A. SCC Section 30-6(c) is amended to read as follows:

Should Section 12240 sunset or otherwise become ineffective, the sealer shall submit and the board of supervisors shall adopt by ordinance a schedule of registration fees for weighing and measuring devices consistent with the provisions of applicable law and sufficient to cover the costs of carrying out Division 5, California Business and Professions Code.

B. SCC Section 30-14 is amended to read as follows:

Section 30-14 Annual Registration Fee

An annual registration fee is required of each business location in the county that operates a point-of-sale system for commercial purposes. The annual registration fees are established and modified by ordinance of the Board of Supervisors.

C. Section 30-16.1 of the Sonoma County Code is deleted.

Section VI. Based on information presented to this Board, this Board finds that the proposed Agricultural Commissioner Fees comply with all legal requirements, including Art. XIII C of the California Constitution.

Section VII. In all other respects, previous fee resolutions and ordinances setting Agricultural Commissioner Fees and hourly rates shall remain in full force and effect.

Section VIII. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and every section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section IX. This Ordinance shall be and the same is hereby declared to be in full force and effect from and after sixty (60) days after the date of its passage or July 1, 2024, whichever is greater, and shall be published once before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after said passage, with the names of the Supervisors voting for or against the same, in *The Press Democrat*, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

In regular session of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, introduced on the 26th day of March 2024, and finally passed and adopted this 16th day of April 2024, on regular roll call of the members of said Board by the following vote:

SUPERVISORS:

Gorin: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins: Rabbitt:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared the above and foregoing Ordinance duly adopted and

SO ORDERED.

Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Sonoma

ATTEST:

M. Christina Rivera,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Sonoma County Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures

**Attachment 3
FEE CHANGE SCHEDULE**

AGRICULTURE DIVISION		
	Current	Proposed
Hourly Rate - ¼ hour minimum	\$225.00	\$261.00
Direct Marketing Program		
Certified Producer's Certificate	\$78.00	\$81.00
Amendment	\$40.00	\$42.00
Application/Certificate	\$112.00	\$116.00
Farm Labor Contractor		
Registration	\$43.00	\$45.00
Hazardous Materials		
Hazardous Materials Range 6	\$199.00	\$231.00
Hazardous Materials Range 7	\$327.00	\$379.00
Hazardous Waste <325 gals waste/year	\$190.00	\$220.00
Hazardous Waste >325 gals waste/year	\$261.00	\$303.00
Pest Control Operators		
Registration	\$92.00	\$96.00
Phytosanitary Certificate / Certificate of Compliance		
State Phyto Certificate - Individual	\$18.00	\$19.00
State Phyto Certificate - Add'l cert for same visit	\$13.00	\$14.00
Federal Phyto Certificate - Individual	\$68.00	\$71.00
Federal Phyto Certificate - Individual in SR Office	\$34.00	\$35.00
Certificate of Quarantine Compliance - Individual	\$18.00	\$19.00
Certificate of Quarantine Compliance - Add'l cert for same visit	\$13.00	\$14.00
Cannabis		
Cottage Outdoor	\$1,923.00	\$2,086.00
Specialty Outdoor	\$1,923.00	\$2,086.00
Small Outdoor	\$2,633.00	\$2,871.00
Renewals - Hourly (¼ hour minimum) ¹	\$225.00	\$261.00
Cannabis Monitoring²		
Indoor/Mixed Light Cultivation, Indoor Nursery	\$674.00	\$782.00
Outdoor Cultivation / Cottage, Specialty	\$674.00	\$782.00
Outdoor Cultivation / Small, Medium	\$899.00	\$1,043.00
Hemp		
Registration	\$1,009.00	\$1,170.00
Male Field Walk Inspections - Hourly (¼ hour minimum)	\$225.00	\$261.00
¹ Cannabis Monitoring fee charged in addition to hourly rate		
² Cannabis Monitoring fee charged annually for multi-tenant and multi-year sites		

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LAND STEWARDSHIP DIVISION			Current	Proposed
Hourly Rate - ¼ hour minimum			\$292	\$339
Frost Protection Ordinance				
Registration			\$88	\$102
Project Review Advisory Committee / Environmental Review Committee				
Review of Permit Sonoma Projects - Hourly Rate (¼ hour minimum)			\$292	\$339
Vineyard Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (VESCO) Level 1				
No Grading or Drainage	<10 acres ¹		\$1,083	\$1,256
No Grading or Drainage	10 - <50 acres ¹		\$2,046	\$2,373
No Grading or Drainage	50 - <100 acres ¹		\$2,654	\$3,079
No Grading or Drainage	>100 acres ¹		\$3,420	\$3,967
With Grading or Drainage	<10 acres ²		\$1,590	\$1,844
With Grading or Drainage	10 - <50 acres ²		\$2,543	\$2,950
With Grading or Drainage	50 - <100 acres ²		\$3,226	\$3,742
With Grading or Drainage	>100 acres ²		\$4,113	\$4,771
Vineyard Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (VESCO) Level 2				
No Grading or Drainage	<10 acres ³		\$6,741	\$7,820
No Grading or Drainage	10 - <50 acres ³		\$7,700	\$8,778
No Grading or Drainage	50 - <100 acres ³		\$8,706	\$10,099
No Grading or Drainage	>100 acres ³		\$9,910	\$11,496
With Grading or Drainage	<10 acres ⁴		\$6,616	\$7,675
With Grading or Drainage	10 - <50 acres ⁴		\$9,813	\$11,383
With Grading or Drainage	50 - <100 acres ⁴		\$11,413	\$13,239
With Grading or Drainage	>100 acres ⁴		\$11,948	\$13,860
Vineyard Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (VESCO) Level 2 w/Tree Removal				
No Grading or Drainage w/TR	<10 acres ³		\$6,677	\$7,745
No Grading or Drainage w/TR	10 - <50 acres ³		\$9,304	\$10,793
No Grading or Drainage w/TR	50 - <100 acres ³		\$10,179	\$11,808
No Grading or Drainage w/TR	>100 acres ³		\$10,374	\$12,034
With Grading or Drainage w/TR	<10 acres ⁴		\$8,261	\$9,583
With Grading or Drainage w/TR	10 - <50 acres ⁴		\$8,536	\$9,902
With Grading or Drainage w/TR	50 - <100 acres ⁴		\$11,488	\$13,326
With Grading or Drainage w/TR	>100 acres ⁴		\$14,050	\$16,298
Vineyard Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (VESCO) Grading and/or Drainage Only				
Grading and/or Drainage Only	<10 acres ¹		\$1,173	\$1,361
Grading and/or Drainage Only	10 - <50 acres ¹		\$1,325	\$1,537
Grading and/or Drainage Only	50 - <100 acres ¹		\$1,549	\$1,787
Grading and/or Drainage Only	>100 acres ¹		\$1,776	\$2,060
¹ Includes 1 plan review and 1 site visit. Frost protection fee of \$106 may be applicable and is not included in fees above. ² Includes 1 plan review and 2 site visits. Frost protection fee of \$106 may be applicable and is not included in fees above. ³ Includes 2 plan reviews and 2 site visits. Frost protection fee of \$106 may be applicable and is not included in fees above. ⁴ Includes 2 plan reviews and 3 site visits. Frost protection fee of \$106 may be applicable and is not included in fees above.				

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WEIGHTS & MEASURES DIVISION		
	Current	Proposed
Hourly Rate - ¼ hour minimum	\$228	\$264
Automated Point of Sale Scanners		
1 - 3 Scanners	\$228	\$264
4 - 9 Scanners	\$395	\$458
10 or greater scanners	\$544	\$631
Reinspecton - Point of Sale Scanners - Equal to annual POS Registration		
Reinspection - All Other (Device, POS Display, Out of County) Hourly Rate - ¼ hour minimum		
Device Registration		
Computing Scale ²	\$23	\$25
Counter Scale ²	\$20	\$25
Fabric / Cord / Wire Meter ²	\$20	\$26
Grease & Lube Meter ²	\$20	\$26
Hanging Scale ²	\$20	\$26
Hydrogen Fuel ²	\$20	\$26
Miscellaneous Scale ²	\$20	\$26
Railway Scale ^{2, 5}	\$20	\$26
Retail Meter ^{2, 5}	\$20	\$26
Retail Motor Fuel Meter ²	\$20	\$26
Taxi Meter ^{2, 5}	\$20	\$26
Vapor Submeter ¹	\$4	\$10
Vapor Submeter - Other ¹	\$4	\$10
Water Dispenser ²	\$20	\$26
Water Submeter ¹	\$2	\$6
Water Submeter - Other ¹	\$2	\$6
¹ State Admin Fee of \$0.50 to be added to fee		
² State Admin Fee of \$2.20 to be added to fee		
³ State Admin Fee of \$16.00 to be added to fee		
⁴ State Admin Fee of \$24.00 to be added to fee		
⁵ State Business Location Fee of \$120.00 to be added to fee		

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Attachment 4 - FY24-25 Fee Summary

Department	Division/unit	Type of change (Increase, decrease, new fee, replacement of fee, deletion of fee, other change)	Fee Description (short)	Fee Subcategory	Legal basis for fee	Requirement to adjust fee (resolution or ordinance)	FY 2023-24 Units	Anticipated units, FY 2024-25	Current fee amount	Proposed fee amount	Change in fee (%)	Proposed effective date	Additional revenue expected*	Last date fee changed	Amount prior to last change	Amount fee is subsidized by other funding (per unit), if any
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Tow truck inspection fee	GW under 2 ton	(Code Citation)	Ordinance	79	80	\$ 100.00	\$ 105.00	5%	7/1/2023	\$400.00	7/1/2022	\$95.00	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Tow truck inspection fee	GW > 2 tons	(Code Citation)	Ordinance	12	10	\$ 125.00	\$ 130.00	4%	7/1/2023	\$50.00	7/1/2022	\$95.00	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hourly Rate	¼ hour minimum	CA GC §54985	Resolution	10	10	\$ 225	\$ 261	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 360.00	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Direct Marketing	Certified Producer's Certificate	3 CCR §1392.8	Resolution	45	60	\$ 78	\$ 81	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 187	7/1/2023	\$ 69	\$ 861
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Direct Marketing	Certified Producer's Certificate Amendment	3 CCR §1392.8	Resolution	10	20	\$ 40	\$ 42	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 32	7/1/2023	\$ 35	\$ 161
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Direct Marketing	Certified Farmers' Market Application/Certificate	3 CCR §1392.8	Resolution	5	8	\$ 112	\$ 116	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 36	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ 19
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Farm Labor Contract	Farm Labor Contractor Registration	CA LC §1695(b)	Resolution	100	110	\$ 43	\$ 45	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 189	7/1/2023	\$ 35	\$ 82
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hazardous Materials	Hazardous Materials Range 6	29 SCC §29-8	Resolution	258	256	\$ 199	\$ 231	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 8,151	7/1/2023	\$ 155	\$ 274
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hazardous Materials	Hazardous Materials Range 7	29 SCC §29-8	Resolution	99	96	\$ 327	\$ 379	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 5,023	7/1/2023	\$ 247	\$ 193
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hazardous Materials	Hazardous Waste (<325 gals waste/year)	29 SCC §29-8	Resolution	45	47	\$ 190	\$ 220	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,429	7/1/2023	\$ 145	\$ 104
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hazardous Materials	Hazardous Waste (>325 gals waste/year)	29 SCC §29-8	Resolution	15	13	\$ 261	\$ 303	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 543	7/1/2023	\$ 225	\$ 43
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Miscellaneous	Grower Workshop: Pre-Registration	CA GC §54985	Resolution	153	175	\$ 18	\$ 19	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 126	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ 3
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Miscellaneous	Grower Workshop: At the Door	CA GC §54985	Resolution	55	60	\$ 25	\$ 26	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 60	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ 12
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Pest Control Operators	Pest Control Operator Registration	CA FAC §11734	Resolution	80	85	\$ 92	\$ 96	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 313	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ 31
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	State Phyto Certificate - Individual	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	8	20	\$ 18	\$ 19	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 14	7/1/2023	\$ 15	\$ 116
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	State Phyto Certificate (Individual) - in Santa Rosa Office	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 10	\$ 10	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 8	\$ 57
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	State Phyto Certificate (additional cert for the same visit)	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	1	7	\$ 13	\$ 14	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 4	7/1/2023	\$ 10	\$ 76
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	State Phyto Certificate (additional cert for the same visit) - in Santa Rosa Office	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 7	\$ 7	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 5	\$ 47
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Federal Phyto Certificate (Individual)	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	98	110	\$ 68	\$ 71	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 299	7/1/2023	\$ 57	\$ 739
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Federal Phyto Certificate (Individual) - in Santa Rosa Office	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	20	25	\$ 34	\$ 35	4%	7/1/2024	\$ 34	7/1/2023	\$ 29	\$ 640
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Certificate of Quarantine Compliance (Individual)	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 18	\$ 19	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 15	\$ 116
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Certificate of Quarantine Compliance (Individual) - in Santa Rosa Office	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 10	\$ 10	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 8	\$ 57
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Certificate of Quarantine Compliance (additional cert for the same visit)	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 13	\$ 14	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 10	\$ 76
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Phytosanitary Certificate/Certificate of Quarantine Compliance	Certificate of Quarantine Compliance (additional cert for the same visit) - in Santa Rosa Office	CA FAC §5851	Resolution	0	0	\$ 7	\$ 7	4%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 5	\$ 47
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Cottage Outdoor	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	1	1	\$ 1,923	\$ 2,173	13%	7/1/2024	\$ 250	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ (13)
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Specialty Outdoor	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	1	1	\$ 1,923	\$ 2,173	13%	7/1/2024	\$ 250	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ (13)
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Small Outdoor	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	1	1	\$ 2,633	\$ 2,975	13%	7/1/2024	\$ 342	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ (5)
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Renewals	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	2	2	\$ 225	\$ 261	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 72	7/1/2023	\$ -	\$ 9
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Monitoring - Indoor/Mixed Light Cultivation, Indoor Nursery	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	15	15	\$ 674	\$ 782	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,618	7/1/2023	\$ 600	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Monitoring - Outdoor Cultivation: Cottage and Specialty	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	2	2	\$ 674	\$ 782	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 216	7/1/2023	\$ 600	\$ 163
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Cannabis	Monitoring - Outdoor Cultivation: Small/Medium	SCC §26-88-250(l)	Resolution	44	39	\$ 899	\$ 1,043	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 5,610	7/1/2023	\$ 600	\$ 37
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hemp	Registration	SCC §37-12	Resolution	5	5	\$ 1,009	\$ 1,170	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 807	7/1/2023	\$ 882	\$ 180
Ag/Weights & Measures	Agriculture	Increase	Hemp	Male Field Walk Inspections	SCC §37-12	Resolution	10	10	hourly					7/1/2023	\$ 270	\$ 270
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	Hourly Rate	¼ hour minimum	CA GC §54985	Resolution			\$ 292	\$ 339	16%	7/1/2024				
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	Frost Protection Ordinance		SCC §11B.04.030	Resolution			\$ 88	\$ 102	16%	7/1/2024				\$ 1,648
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	AWM Review of PS Project	¼ hour minimum	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	1	1	\$ 88	\$ 102	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 14			\$ 598
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	No Grading or Drainage <10 acres ¹	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	20	50	\$ 1,083	\$ 1,256	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 8,664	7/1/2023	\$ 722	\$ 3,154
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	No Grading or Drainage 10 - <50 acres ¹	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	8	23	\$ 2,046	\$ 2,373	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 7,529	7/1/2023	\$ 1,364	\$ 2,341
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	No Grading or Drainage 50 - <100 acres ¹	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	2	8	\$ 2,654	\$ 3,079	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 3,397	7/1/2023	\$ 1,769	\$ 1,986
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	No Grading or Drainage >100 acres ¹	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	0	0	\$ 3,420	\$ 3,967	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 2,280	\$ 1,283
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	With Grading or Drainage <10 acres ²	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	0	5	\$ 1,590	\$ 1,844	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,272	7/1/2023	\$ 1,060	\$ 3,598
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	With Grading or Drainage 10 - <50 acres ²	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	1	3	\$ 2,543	\$ 2,950	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,221	7/1/2023	\$ 1,695	\$ 3,462
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	With Grading or Drainage 50 - <100 acres ²	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	0	0	\$ 3,226	\$ 3,742	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 2,151	\$ 3,485
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level I	With Grading or Drainage >100 acres ²	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	0	0	\$ 4,113	\$ 4,771	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 2,472	\$ 3,506
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	No Grading or Drainage <10 acres ³ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	2	5	\$ 6,741	\$ 7,820	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 5,393	7/1/2023	\$ 4,604	\$ 311
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	No Grading or Drainage 10 < 50 acres ³	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	2	3	\$ 7,700	\$ 8,778	14%	7/1/2024	\$ 3,234			\$ 25
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	No Grading or Drainage 50 < 100 acres ³ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution	1	2	\$ 8,706	\$ 10,099	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 2,786			\$ 261

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Attachment 4 - FY24-25 Fee Summary

Department	Division/unit	Type of change (Increase, decrease, new fee, replacement of fee, deletion of fee, other change)	Fee Description (short)	Fee Subcategory	Legal basis for fee	Requirement to adjust fee (resolution or ordinance)	FY 2023-24 Units	Anticipated units, FY 2024-25	Current fee amount	Proposed fee amount	Change in fee (%)	Proposed effective date	Additional revenue expected*	Last date fee changed	Amount prior to last change	Amount fee is subsidized by other funding (per unit), if any
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	No Grading or Drainage >100 acres ³ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 9,910	\$ 11,496	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,586			\$ 369
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	With Grading or Drainage <10 acres ³ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 6,616	\$ 7,675	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 3,176	7/1/2023	\$ 4,936	\$ 3,875
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	With Grading or Drainage 10 < 50 acres ⁴ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 9,813	\$ 11,383	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 4,710	7/1/2023	\$ 5,330	\$ 422
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	With Grading or Drainage 50 < 100 acres ⁴ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 11,413	\$ 13,239	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 348
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II	With Grading or Drainage > 100 acres ⁴ Level II	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 11,948	\$ 13,860	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 368
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	No Grading or Drainage <10 acres ³ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 6,677	\$ 7,745	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 5,177	\$ 2,135
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	No Grading or Drainage 10 < 50 acres ³ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 9,304	\$ 10,793	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 285
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	No Grading or Drainage 50 < 100 acres ³ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 10,179	\$ 11,808	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 320
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	No Grading or Drainage > 100 acres ³ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 10,374	\$ 12,034	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 328
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	With Grading or Drainage <10 acres ³ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 8,261	\$ 9,583	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 1,322	7/1/2023	\$ 5,644	\$ 2,573
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	With Grading or Drainage 10 < 50 acres ⁴ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 8,536	\$ 9,902	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 8,133	\$ 4,266
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	With Grading or Drainage 50 < 100 acres ⁴ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 11,488	\$ 13,326	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 10,126	\$ 3,439
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO - Level II w/Tree Removal	With Grading or Drainage >100 acres ⁴ wTR	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 14,050	\$ 16,298	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 2,130
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO Grading and/or Drainage Only	<10 acres ¹ GD Only	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 1,173	\$ 1,361	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 375	7/1/2023	\$ 750	\$ 3,707
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO Grading and/or Drainage Only	10 - <50 acres ¹ GD Only	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 1,325	\$ 1,537	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 848	\$ 3,531
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO Grading and/or Drainage Only	50 - <100 acres ¹ GD Only	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 1,549	\$ 1,797	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 991	\$ 3,271
Ag/Weights & Measures	Land Stewardship	Increase	VESCO Grading and/or Drainage Only	>100 acres ¹ GD Only	SCC §36-14-040	Resolution			\$ 1,776	\$ 2,060	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -	7/1/2023	\$ 1,137	\$ 3,183
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Hourly Rate	¼ hour minimum	CA GC §54985				\$ 228	\$ 264	16%	7/1/2024	\$ -			\$ 9.52
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Automated Point of Sale	1 - 3 Point of Sale Scanners	SCC §30-15	Ordinance	527	543	\$ 228	\$ 264	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 19,802			\$ 10
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Automated Point of Sale	4 - 9 Point of Sale Scanners	SCC §30-15	Ordinance	182	187	\$ 395	\$ 458	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 11,847			\$ 16
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Automated Point of Sale	10 or greater	SCC §30-15	Ordinance	67	69	\$ 544	\$ 631	16%	7/1/2024	\$ 6,007	7/1/2023	\$ 378	\$ 281
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Reinspection	Point of Sale Scanner Reinspections	SCC §30-15	Ordinance			Equal to annual POS Scanner Registration			7/1/2024				
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Reinspection	All Other Reinspections (Device, Customer POS Display, Out of County Non/Commercial, etc.)	SCC §30-15	Ordinance			Per hour ¼ hour minimum			7/1/2024				
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Computing Scale ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	1290	1290	\$ 23	\$ 25	8%	7/1/2024	\$ 310	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Counter Scale ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	400	400	\$ 20	\$ 25	20%	7/1/2024	\$ 240	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Fabric-Cord-Wire Meter ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	57	57	\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 41	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Grease & Lube Meter ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Hanging Scale ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	16	16	\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 12	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Hydrogen Fuel ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 20	\$ 20	0%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Miscellaneous Scale ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Railway Scale ^{2,5}	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Retail Meter ^{2, 5}	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 4	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Retail Motor Fuel Meter ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	3921	3921	\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 2,823	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Taxi Meter ^{2, 5}	BPC §12240	Ordinance	20	20	\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 14	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Vapor Submeter ¹	BPC §12240	Ordinance	7216	7216	\$ 4	\$ 10	60%	7/1/2024	\$ 5,196	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Vapor Submeter - Other ¹	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 4	\$ 10	60%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Water Dispenser ²	BPC §12240	Ordinance	88	88	\$ 20	\$ 26	23%	7/1/2024	\$ 63	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Water Submeter ¹	BPC §12240	Ordinance	11171	11171	\$ 2	\$ 6	67%	7/1/2024	\$ 5,362	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Ag/Weights & Measures	Weights & Measures	Increase	Device Registration	Water Submeter - Other ¹	BPC §12240	Ordinance			\$ 2	\$ 2	0%	7/1/2024	\$ -	4/19/2011	UNK	\$ -
Agriculture:																
¹ Cannabis Monitoring fee charged in addition to hourly rate																
² Cannabis Monitoring fee charged annually for multi-tenant and multi-year sits																
Land Stewardship:																
¹ Includes 1 plan review and 1 site visit																
² Includes 1 plan review and 2 site visits																
³ Includes 2 plan reviews and 2 site visits																
⁴ Includes 2 plan reviews and 3 site visits																
Weights & Measures:																
¹ State Admin Fee of \$0.50 to be added to fee																
² State Admin Fee of \$2.20 to be added to fee																
³ State Admin Fee of \$16.00 to be added to fee																
⁴ State Admin Fee of \$24.00 to be added to fee																
⁵ State Business Location Fee of \$120.00 to be added to fee																
⁶ Department is proposing to eliminate these discounts effective July 1, 2024.																
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