



OFF-SITE AGRICULTURAL OFFSET CLEARANCE

This application is for an off-site Agricultural Offset Clearance as required in Title 22 Section 22.30.204. An Off-site Offset Clearance involves multiple sites where one site will reduce water use through removal of existing agriculture or replacement of existing agriculture with a less water intensive crop. Please refer to the ordinance text for full eligibility information and requirements, which is available online at www.sloplanning.org or available at the front counter.

Receiving Parcel Information (Site of Proposed New or Expanded Agriculture)

Note: receiving parcel cannot be located in the area of severe decline

APN (s) _____ Size of Site (acres): _____

Owner/Applicant Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

List any adjacent parcels that are under the same ownership: _____

Existing Crops on Site (If any)			
Crop Type	Acreage	Water Duty (From Table 2 and 3)	Water Demand
Total Existing Water Demand on Site:			
Proposed Crops on Site			
Crop Type	Acreage	Water Duty (From Table 2 and 3)	Water Demand
Total Proposed Water Demand on Site:			

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Source Parcel Information (site where water use will be reduced)

APN (s) _____ Size of Site (acres): _____

Owner/Applicant Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

List any adjacent parcels that are under the same ownership: _____

Existing Crops on Site (If any)			
Crop Type	Acreage	Water Duty (From Table 2 and 3)	Water Demand
Total Existing Water Demand on Site:			
Proposed Crops on Site			
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Attachments Required Prior to Issuance:

- Current title report or lot book guarantee for both parcels
- Site plan(s) for both parcels showing locations and acreages of existing and proposed crops
- Copy of signed landowner agreement(s)
- Vicinity map showing source and receiving site
- Draft of deed restrictions for both parcels limiting the type and area of planting

Fees:

- A fee of \$1877.24 will be due at time of application

What to expect after your application is accepted as complete:

- Schedule a site inspection
- Submit any corrections based on the initial review and site inspection
- Receive a conditional offset clearance once corrections are completed
- Apply for a well permit with Environmental Health (if needed)
- Install a well meter pursuant to Public Works directions
- Schedule a well meter inspection with Public Works
- Schedule a final site inspection
- Receive a Final Offset Clearance
- A site inspection will be conducted annually

Tables are attached for convenience. Please refer to Ordinance 3308 for full program requirements.

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Table 2: Crop Group and Commodities Used for the Agricultural Demand Analysis

Crop Group	Primary Commodities
Alfalfa	Alfalfa
Nursery	Christmas trees, miscellaneous nursery plants, flowers
Pasture	Miscellaneous grasses, mixed pastures, sod/turf, sudangrass
Citrus	Avocados, grapefruits, lemons, oranges, olives, kiwis, pomegranates (non-deciduous)
Deciduous	Apples, apricots, berries, peaches, nectarines, plums, figs, pistachios, persimmons, pears, quinces
Strawberries	Strawberries
Vegetables	Artichokes, beans, miscellaneous vegetables, mushrooms, onions, peas, peppers, tomatoes
Vineyard	Wine grapes, table grapes

Source: Table 3 of the Agricultural Water Offset Program, Paso Robles Groundwater Basin, October 2014.

Table 3: Existing Crop-Specific Applied Water by Crop Type

Crop Group	Applied Water (AF/Ac/Yr)
Alfalfa	4.5
Citrus	2.3
Deciduous	3.5
Strawberries	2.3 ⁽¹⁾
Nursery	2.5
Pasture	4.8
Vegetables	1.9
Vineyard	1.25 ⁽¹⁾

1. Information obtained from RCD Program, UCCE, UC Davis (Strawberries 2011 data) Source: Table 9 of the Agricultural Water Offset Program, Paso Robles Groundwater Basin, October 2014.

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Action (Staff Only):

- Approved: Applicant may apply for a well permit through Environmental Health
 - Additional information requested (describe):
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- Denied

Processed By: _____ Date: _____
