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Yolo County Releases 2013 Crop Report

(Woodland, CA) – This week, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors received the 2013 Yolo County Agricultural Report – an annual report which summarizes the acreage, production and gross valuation of all agricultural commodities produced in Yolo County in 2013. The total gross valuation for all agricultural commodities in 2013 was \$721,636,091; an all-time high and an increase of 12.89% from 2012.

"These production figures reflect an overall higher price per unit for commodities and increases in acreage," said Yolo County Agricultural Commissioner John Young. "Field labor, processing, transporting, marketing and other farm-related services significantly multiply the value agriculture has to our county."

Processing tomatoes remain Yolo County's leading commodity with a gross value of \$107,880,514, down from \$111,566,739 in 2012. Although harvested acres were fewer than in 2012, the commodity increased in value due to a slightly increased price for the 2013 cropping season.

Wine grapes, almonds, rice and walnuts are in the top five commodities according to gross value, with wine grapes holding the number two position ahead of almonds. Almonds edged into third position in gross value ahead of rice. The gross value of organic production increased to just over \$60,000,000 keeping it in sixth place for 2013. Alfalfa hay, sunflower seed, field corn and wheat round out the top ten commodities for 2013.

For more information on the acreage, production and gross valuation of agricultural commodities produced in Yolo County in 2013, visit: www.yolocounty.org/ag or contact the Yolo County Agriculture Department at (530) 666-8140.

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