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## COMMUNITY ALLIANCE WITH FAMILY FARMERS RECEIVES \$25K FROM TRIBAL MITIGATION FUND

### ***Capay Valley Regional Farmers' Market Is Promoted As a Community Enhancement for Capay Valley Residents***

(Woodland, CA) - The Yolo County Advisory Committee on Tribal Matters presented a check for \$25,000 to Community Alliance With Family Farmers (CAFF) at the October 22 Board meeting of CAFF, which is located at the T.S. Glide Ranch, on Russell Blvd., west of Davis.

Judith Redmond, CAFF Board Chair, accepted the check from County Tribal Coordinator David Shoemaker and Val Dolcini, of Davis, a member of the Advisory Committee.

The amount comprises a yearlong contract with CAFF to promote the newly launched Capay Valley Regional Farmers' Market, held in the Esparto Community Park. This project will provide that extra support that is needed to make the weekly market grow and prosper and at the same time help teach Future Farmers of America students about marketing. The weekly market is a program that has long been desired by many community members, and this contribution will help realize their vision.

The Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians signed an historic intergovernmental agreement with the County of Yolo in 2002. The agreement provides mitigation funds for off-reservation impacts resulting from the expansion of the Tribe's Cache Creek Casino Resort and Hotel. This is the second year of 18 years of mitigation funding. The Casino Resort is located in the Capay Valley town of Brooks. Of the \$3.5 million in funds coming to Yolo County, 60% goes to organizations impacted by the Casino expansion, such as law enforcement, public safety, fire protection, and other basic services along with individuals, groups and community enhancement projects.

The Advisory Committee on Tribal Matters approved nine community enhancement projects, including that proposed by CAFF. Other projects recommended for funding

include the local community newspaper, a computer upgrade for the public library, a ball diamond for Guinda, a community-wide master planning initiative, an upgrade of the public high school auditorium, building repair and staffing for the community medical center, as well as a weather station. This year's total projects are expected to exceed \$2.3 million, an amount approved by the Board of Supervisors on September 14th.

CAFF is a nonprofit organization that builds bridges between rural and urban people to foster family-style agriculture that cares for the land, sustains local economies and promotes social justice.

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