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## **New Agricultural Commissioner Appointed**

(Woodland, CA) – This week, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors announced their intent to appoint John Young as Agricultural Commissioner Sealer of Weights and Measures. Mr. Young will replace Agricultural Commissioner Rick Landon upon his retirement. Mr. Young has been with Yolo County for the past 18 years, most recently serving as Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner Sealer of Weights and Measures.

"Rick Landon has served us well as Agricultural Commissioner for the past eight years, including preparing his successor, John Young, for this position," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mike McGowan. "We welcome Mr. Young's optimism, enthusiasm and good ideas, and thank him for volunteering to take on this new challenge."

Mr. Young holds a bachelors of science degree in business administration from Sacramento State University. He has served as chair, vice-chair, secretary and a member of the Board of Directors for the Deputy Sealers Association and is currently a member of that organization and a member of the Deputy Agricultural Commissioners Association and the California Association of Standards and Agricultural Professionals. During his tenure with Yolo County, Mr. Young has received a number of awards and recognitions from peers and leaders within the organization.

"I have really enjoyed working with the ag community, the Board of Supervisors, staff and the residents of Yolo County," said Yolo County Agricultural Commissioner Rick Landon. "Yolo County is truly unique in its desire to preserve its agricultural heritage and it has been very rewarding to be a part of that commitment. I feel confident passing the baton to John Young and know he will carry on Yolo County's rich agricultural tradition."

"Yolo County is truly a great place to work and live," said John Young. "Even in these difficult economic times Yolo County Agriculture is a bright spot and I am enthusiastic about my opportunity to serve the constituents of Yolo County in this new role. The future will bring us many challenges but by working collectively we will be able to secure a vibrant local agricultural economy."

John Young will assume his new duties upon the retirement of Rick Landon.