



Date January 12, 2021

Keene Simonds  
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Via Email to: [Keene.simonds@sdcountry.ca.gov](mailto:Keene.simonds@sdcountry.ca.gov)

Re: Planning Grant Application for Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program Funding

Dear Mr. Simonds:

Thank you for your planning grant application to the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Program solicitation. The Department of Conservation received over \$2.4 million in planning grant applications. We are pleased to have received so many quality proposals demonstrating a strong commitment to local and regional planning efforts that protect and restore agricultural lands at risk of conversion to other uses.

It is my pleasure to inform you that your proposal has been awarded \$250,000 in project funding. The Project will need to ensure that the resulting plan supports the infill development goals of the program.

Department of Conservation staff will work with you to complete the draft grant agreement. Staff will also work with you to update the budget, work plan, or other elements of your grant proposal as appropriate. The grant agreement must be fully executed before expenses can be incurred.

We look forward to working with you and wish you success in implementing your work plan. Should you have any questions, please contact David Dodds, grant manager, via email at [david.dodds@conservation.ca.gov](mailto:david.dodds@conservation.ca.gov).

Thank you for your interest in our program!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keali'i Bright".

Keali'i Bright  
Director, Division of Land Resource Protection

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