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Item:

2019 Farmland Protection Advisory Board Update (30min)

Date of BOCC Meeting: April 1, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive an update from the Farmland Protection Advisory Board (FAB) regarding their activities during this past year. The report will discuss the (3) priorities set during the recent Farmland Board retreat while highlighting some of its prior year's accomplishments. It will present its involvement in farmland protection programs offered within the county and provide some data on these programs.

Additionally, it will report on the first two years of the Agriculture Economic Development Grant Program, the outcomes from participates, proposed changes to the program and how this year's weather has played a role in participates completing their contract. Finally, the report will discuss the Farmland Protection Advisory Board's 2020 program goals which include youth work experience in the agricultural community.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The program aligns with Goal 1 Community Empowerment and Enrichment, Goal 4 Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity and Goal 5 Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government.

Resource Persons: Will Wilson, Farmland Advisory Board Chair, Eddie Culberson, Director Soil and Water Conservation Department and Michael Dupree, Agribusiness and Environmental Services Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the 2019 update from the Farmland Protection Advisory Board (FAB) regarding their activities during this past year.

County Manager: _____