

**Siting Agriculture Support Uses**

- AG 4.12 Support Uses:** Facilitate agricultural production by allowing agriculture related support uses, such as processing, storage, packaging, and soil preparation services, to be conveniently and accessibly located in agricultural production areas when related to the primary agricultural production in the area. Such uses shall be allowed by discretionary permit approval, subject to all of the following criteria:
- a. The use shall provide a service to the surrounding agricultural area which cannot be provided more efficiently within urban areas or which requires location in a non-urban area because of unusual site requirements or operation characteristics;
  - b. The use should not be sited on productive agricultural land if less productive land is available in the immediate vicinity;
  - c. The operational or physical characteristics of the use shall not have a significant adverse impact on water resources or the use or management of surrounding agricultural properties (New)

**Promote Visitor Services (Agri-tourism)**

**GOAL AG 5**

**Promote visitor services and attractions to enhance and support Sutter County's agricultural industries. (New)**

**Policies:**

**AG 5.1 Promotional Activities:** Encourage a wide variety of promotional and marketing activities that support Sutter County's unique agricultural heritage. These may include agricultural related festivals and farmers' markets. (Existing/Modified B-6)

**AG 5.2 Visitor Serving Uses:** Allow visitor-serving uses in agricultural designated areas through discretionary permit approval, subject to all of the following criteria:

- a. The use shall promote and market agricultural related products the majority of which should be grown or processed in the local area;
- b. The use is compatible with and secondary and incidental to agricultural production activities in the area;
- c. The use will not require the extension of municipal sewer or water services;
- d. The use is compatible with existing adjacent uses in the area; and

- e. The use is not a hotel, motel, resort or similar scale lodging, which is not permitted. (New)

**AG 5.3**      **Marketing Coordination:** Collaborate with economic development organizations to increase the marketing of Sutter County and coordinate with neighboring jurisdictions to support a regional approach to agri-tourism. (New)

**AG 5.4**      **Recreational Uses:** Support recreational uses on privately-owned lands where such uses are compatible with on and off-site agriculture and with scenic and environmentally sensitive resources. (New)

**AG 5.5**      **Special Events:** Allow for farm home-stays, bed and breakfasts, and special events such as weddings in agricultural areas, subject to discretionary permit approval. (New)

**AG 5.6**      **Agricultural Organizations:** Promote events sponsored by organizations such as school districts, colleges, UC Cooperative Extension, UC Small Farm Center, the Agricultural Commissioner, 4-H, the Farm Bureau, or other programs which expose the public to agricultural activities and issues. (Existing/Modified 6 B-7)