

**Sonoma County Measure F Government Code Section 50075.3 Reporting  
Open Space Special Tax Account  
Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District  
Summary Report of Revenue, Expenditures and Project Status  
June 30, 2023 Financial Reports**

California Government Code Section 50075.3 (reporting requirements for a voter approved special tax) states that the levying local agency shall file a report with its governing body, at least once a year, that includes the amount of funds collected and expended in that fiscal year, and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by that special tax. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, \$32,284,901 in Measure F sales tax revenue was recorded by the County of Sonoma (County) and expenditures of \$14,730,900 were incurred by the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District (Ag + Open Space) to further the mission defined in the Measure F expenditure plan.

The Measure F tax is shown in the County’s Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) as a Major Special Revenue Fund titled Open Space Special Tax Account (OSSTA). OSSTA transfers funds to Ag + Open Space for use in achieving the Measure F Expenditure Plan and those expenditures are recorded in the ACFR in a non-major special revenue fund titled Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District. Further details on the expenditures are available in Ag + Open Space’s fiscal year 2022-2023 audited basic financial statements (accessible online at <http://www.sonomaopenspace.org>).

In regards to the current status of projects, Ag + Open Space provides a periodic project status chart to their Advisory Committee and Fiscal Oversight Commission. Following is the project status report as of October 20, 2023 regarding current acquisition and matching grant projects. The most recent map available illustrating the lands protected by Ag + Open Space is included as an informational item in appendix A.

Transfer Project Name	Acreage (approx)	Sup. District	Transaction Type	Project Status								Comments	
				Step 1	Step 2			Step 3		Step 4			
				Project Evaluation	Initiating Project	Due Dilligence	Project Structure	CE Negotiations + Transfer Agreement	Appraisal Process	FOC	BOD	Escrow/ Closing	
Saddle Mountain Open Space Preserve	960	1	Transfer										Initiating project
Tierra Vegetables	15	4	Resale										CE and Covenant negotiation
Young-Armos	56	5	Transfer/Sale										Initiating project
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>1,031</b>												

Conservation Easement Project Name	Acreage (approx)	Sup. District	Project Phases								Status	Comments
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4						
Abril Ranch	1,929	4									On-Hold	Stalled due to federal mineral rights ownership
Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve - Ayers Addition	320	5									Approvals/Baseline	Anticipated BOD date: 12/5
Baumert Springs	372	5									Negotiating CE	FOC date 11/2 anticipated BOD date 12/12
Bavarian Lion Vineyards	1,858	4									Initiating Project	Initiating Project
Blanchi Family	633	5									Initiating Project	Initiating Project
Big Sulphur Creek (Krasilsa)	507	4									Initiating Project	Initiating Project
Blucher Creek Headwaters	212	5									Initiating Project	Project back to active - initiating project structure
Chanslor Ranch (fee acquisition)	378	5								+	Approvals/Baseline	Final negotiation
Crawford Gulch	92	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Deniz Ernest & Beverly Trust	217	2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Deniz Family Farm	315	2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Denner Ranches	489	5									Approvals/Baseline	Finalizing baseline and escrow instructions
Diamond W Ranch	849	2									Negotiating CE	Project Structure - CE drafting
Gillis Ranch Preserve	139	2 & 5									Escrow/Closing	Estimated closing date: 10/20
Hood Mountain Regional Park & Open Space Preserve - Salt Creek Addition	989	1									Appraisal Process	FOC date 11/2 anticipated BOD date 12/12
Lafranchi (Laguna)	127	5									Approvals/Baseline	Anticipated BOD date: 12/5
Limping Turkey Ranch	158	2									Initiating Project	Initiating project
Lobban - Creekside Addition	3	1									Appraisal Process	Working on project structure
Lobban - Mark West Creek	266	1									Appraisal Process	Working on project structure
Lobban - Miyashiro Addition	5	1									Appraisal Process	Appraisal phase - appraisal under review
Mark West Wikiup Preserve	31	4									Negotiating CE	Draft Purchase and Sale (PSA) out, CE out negotiations +
McClelland Dairy	348	2									Negotiating CE	Project Structure -- negotiating CE language
McCormick Ranch - Regional Parks	253	1								+	Approvals/Baseline	FOC date 11/2 anticipated BOD date 12/12
Nolan Creek 1	317	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Nolan Creek 2	171	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Nolan Creek 3	49	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Peters Ranch	278	2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Preston Farm	133	4									Negotiating CE	Project Structure - development and CE negotiations
Rincon Hills	218	1									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Rowland Mack	168	1									Negotiating CE	Project Structure - development and CE negotiations
Russian River Redwoods	394	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Spring Hill Ranch	579	2									Appraisal Process	Appraisal update. Landowner seeking ACCs.
Starrett Hill	319	5									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
South Sonoma Mountain - Grove	369	2									Initiating Project	Initiating project

Conservation Easement Project Name	Acreage (approx)	Sup. District	Project Phases								Status	Comments
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4						
South Sonoma Mountain - Skyline	492	2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
South Sonoma Mountain - Rodgers Creek	798	1 & 2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Willow Avenue Farm	8	2									Initiating Project	Project Structure - development
Witt Home Ranch	395	2									Initiating Project	Initiating project
Wolf Creek Ranch	1,195	5									Initiating Project	Initiating project
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>16,645</b>											

+ indicates change in phase since last update (September 2023)

Matching Grant Project Name	Acreage (approx)	Sup. District	Project Evaluation					Initiating Project		Due Diligence		Project Structure		CE Negotiations		Appraisal Process		Escrow/ Closing		Status	Comments
			Step 1	Step 2		Step 3		Step 4	Step 5	Step 6		Step 7		Step 8							
A Place to Play	87	5																	Initiating Project	Initiating project	
AmeriCorps Trail	12	5																	Other	Implementation - CE/RC will be recorded following trail construction.	
Badger Park	20	4																	Initiating Project	Site Assessment in process for project documentation	
Bayer Farm Development ***	6**	3		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Completed Project & Tracking Match	Reimbursement ongoing; Grant extended	
Bodega Bay Trail	178	5																	Initiating Project	Site Assessment in process for project documentation	
Colgin Creek Phase 4 MG	4	3																	Initiating Project	Accepted into program during 2022 MGP funding cycle	
Crane Creek Regional Trail	75	1																	Negotiating CE	Negotiating CE, Rec Covenant, Mtg to align around MGA agreement	
Denman Reach	2	2																	Negotiating CE	Negotiating CE	
Geyserville Community Plaza	1	4		+															Initiating Project	Board approved 8/22/2023	
Healdsburg Montage Park	36	4			+														Initiating Project	Getting out LOI / MGA	
Heien Putnam Regional Park Extension	56	2				+													Negotiating CE	Revised LOI under review by landowner	
Heien Putnam Regional Park Extension Phase 2	47	2																	Negotiating CE	LOI under review by landowner	
Kaiser Park Expansion 2	2	4										+							Appraisal Process	Initiating appraisal review	
Mark West Community Park	1	4		+															Initiating Project	Board approved 8/22/2023	
Maxwell Farms	79	1																	Initiating Project	Drafting Documents	
Petaluma Bounty Community Farm	3	2		+															Initiating Project	Board approved 8/22/2023	
Petaluma River Park	20	2																	Initiating Project	Letter of intent in negotiation	
River Lane***	1	5																	Escrow/Closing	Moving toward close/complaintant issues; 10/25/24 extension	
Roseland Creek Community Park - Phase 1c	3	3																	Negotiating CE	Negotiating CE, Rec Covenant	
Sonoma Scheilville Trail	21	1																	Initiating Project	Board approved 8/22/2023	
Southeast Santa Rosa Greenway***	61	1																	Negotiating CE	Appraisal done. Mtg w City to align docs and timeline	
Steamer Landing Park Development (McNear Peninsula)	27**	2																	Initiating Project	Initiating project	
Tierra de Rosas Plaza	1	3		+															Initiating Project	Board approved 8/22/2023	
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>710</b>																				

\* District approved a 2-year extension  
 \*\* Restoration/Development Project on previous acquisition.  
 \*\*\* District approved 5-year extension (MGP 2 year, fire 3 year)  
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Report Certified By,  
*Sonoma County Auditor-Controller*

# Appendix A – Map of Sonoma County Protected Lands

