



# **OVERVIEW OF THE MARIN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

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# DEPARTMENT MISSION AND HISTORY

**The mission of the  
Agriculture, Weights and Measures Department  
is to serve the public's interest by  
ensuring equity in the marketplace,  
promoting and protecting agriculture,  
protecting environmental quality  
and the health and welfare  
of Marin County's residents.**

**Brief history of Agricultural Commissioner system**



# A PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND COLLABORATION



# PRIMARY PROGRAM AREAS

- Consumer Protection
- Environmental Protection
- Sustainable Agriculture



# CONSUMER PROTECTION

- Your Shopping Rights – scanners
  - Price verification
- Gas Pumps, meters, and other measuring devices



- Marin Organic Certified Agriculture (MOCA)

- Farmers' Markets





# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

- Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
- Pesticide Use Enforcement
- Sudden Oak death (SOD)
- Glassy-winged Sharpshooter and other pests



# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION CONTINUED...

- Vineyard Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (VESCO)
- Nursery and Seed Inspection
- Livestock Protection





# SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



- Marin Organic Certified Agriculture (MOCA)
- Farmers' Markets
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM)





# The Future of Agriculture in Marin

- Challenges of staying viable
- Combined support of many partners to promote and protect agriculture
- Always looking for opportunities

PLEASE ENTER ANY  
QUESTIONS IN THE Q&A  
AND THEY WILL BE  
ADDRESSED LATER

