

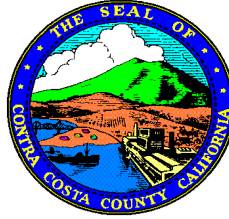
## ATTACHMENT 3

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## Urban Farm Animal Questionnaire

The purpose of this survey is to receive suggestions on the keeping and maintenance of certain urban farm animals on smaller residential lots located in Contra Costa County.

Urban farm animals are those animals that have become increasingly accepted across the country as suitable to keep on smaller residential lots, and most commonly include chickens, goats, and honeybees. The animals are kept for enjoyment by their owners and for products such as eggs, milk, and honey. Currently, livestock is allowed on lots that are about an acre or greater (40,000 square feet) in size. "Small farming" is allowed on lots that are about a half-acre or greater (20,000 square feet) in size in the R-20, R-40, R-65, and R-100 zoning districts. "Small farming" is defined in the County Code as the raising and keeping of no more than twenty-four (24) fowl, rabbits, other grain-fed rodents, or livestock. County staff is studying whether to allow the keeping of chickens, goats, and honeybees on smaller single-family residential lots, (20,000 square foot or less) including lots with duplexes, condominiums, apartments, and mobile homes.

1. Would you support allowing the following urban farm animals on residential lots smaller than a half-acre? [Check all that apply.]
  - Chickens
  - Goats
  - Honeybees

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2. Would you support a minimum size for lots on which urban farm animals are kept?

Yes

No

If yes, what would be an appropriate minimum size?

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3. Which of the following types of lots are more appropriate for keeping an urban farm animal? [Check all that apply.]

Single-Family

Duplexes

Multifamily dwellings (Apartments & Condominiums)

Mobile Homes

4. What is your preference for limiting the number of urban farm animals that can be kept on one lot?

Allow a total of ?? chickens, goats, or bee hives

Allow one chicken or goat or bee hive per ?? square feet

No limit

5. Do you have any concern or other comments related to the keeping of urban farm animals in your neighborhood or community?

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