



APPENDIX C

Agricultural and Conservation Easement Interest Letter and Responses



Meridian

March 30, 2026

Mr. Duane Young

WD Young & Sons / Jewel Date/Shields/Cocopal -

81910 Arus Ave

Indio, CA 92201

RE: Agricultural Conservation Easement Survey

On behalf of a developer planning a project in the Thermal area, Meridian Consultants is conducting a survey to see if there is any interest in Agricultural Landowners permanently conserving their Agricultural Land into an Agricultural Conservation Easement ("A.C.E.").

Are you interested in permanently placing your
Agricultural Land in an A.C.E. (Y/N):

No

Approx. # of Acres Farmed:

1,800 Acres

of Acres Willing to Place in A.C.E.:

/

At what price?:

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Please feel free to add any additional information or comments.

Additional Comments:

*It is counterproductive for the government to
imped the sale of farm ground by requiring developer to buy up ACE's.
We are in no way significantly depleting farmable land. Please do not imped development
with the idea farmers and/or farmable land needs government protection. The ability
to sell portions of our farmed ground helps farmers capital & often in tough*

Please contact Tony Locacciatto at Meridian Consultants at (805) 444-7896 or via email
below if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tony Locacciatto
Principal Consultant

Please return
completed survey
to:

Trinity
Consultants

Meridian

Tel: (805) 444-7896

tlocacciatto@meridianconsultantsllc.com

*Sincerely,
Duane Young
WD Young & Sons
The Jewel Date Co
Shields Date Gardens
Cocopal Nar Series*

March 30, 2026

Mr. John Powell, Jr.
Peter Rabbit Farms
85810 Peter Rabbit Ln
Coachella, CA 92236

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Are you interested in permanently placing your
Agricultural Land in an A.C.E. (Y/N): N

Approx. # of Acres Farmed: 4000

of Acres Willing to Place in A.C.E.: 0

At what price?: NA

Please feel free to add any additional information or comments.

Additional Comments:

Price would have to exceed \$200,000
per acre in order to consider this.

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Sincerely,
Tony Locacciatto
Principal Consultant

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to:



March 30, 2026

Mr. Albert P. Keck, II
Hadley Date Gardens
~~47382 Madison Street~~
~~Indio, CA 92201~~

83-555 Airport Blvd.
Thermal, CA 92274

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Approx. # of Acres Farmed: 1000

of Acres Willing to Place in A.C.E.: _____

At what price?: _____

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Additional Comments:

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