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Board of Supervisors
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800 South Victoria Avenue
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SUBJECT: 2nd Annual Countywide Climate Change Action Awards Presentation

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Acknowledge nominees in all award categories and present winners with Climate Change Action Awards.

DISCUSSION:

The Board of Supervisors took action on Earth Day April 22nd, 2008 to adopt a Countywide Climate Action Awards Program and to have the presentation take place at the Board meeting closest to Earth Day of that year. The Second Annual Awards program is scheduled to take place at the meeting of April 20th 2010.

In keeping with the spirit of the awards the solicitation of nominees was accomplished by electronic mailing to numerous individuals, groups and organization throughout Ventura County. These solicitations ran the gamut from environmental organizations, business and development associations to agriculture and Public Agency interests. The nomination period ran from December 4th to March 26th with a selection committee meeting March 31st to decide the top nominees in each category along with the Climate Action Award winners.

The selection committees' recommendation was to invite the top nominees in each category to the board meeting on April 20th for special recognition and to announce the category winners at the same time. Listed below are the categories along with the top nominees.



Planning or Research Project

1. Ojai Valley Green Coalition
2. Ventura County Community College District

Sustainable Business Practices

1. Granite Construction
2. Earth Safe Finishes
3. Nature by Design
4. Naval Base Ventura County

Large, Medium and Small Organization Carbon Footprint Reduction

1. Ceres Inc.
2. City of Thousand Oaks
3. City of San Buenaventura
4. Naval Base Ventura County
5. County of Ventura General Services Agency

Youth Leadership

1. Stephanie Garcia
2. Students for Solar Schools

School Districts

1. Oak Park
2. Ventura Unified

Public Outreach/ Education

1. Ojai Valley Green Coalition
2. United Way's Young Leaders Society
3. Ashley Cooper-Thousand Oaks High School
4. Jeri Edwards

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Bennett".

Steve Bennett
Supervisor, First District