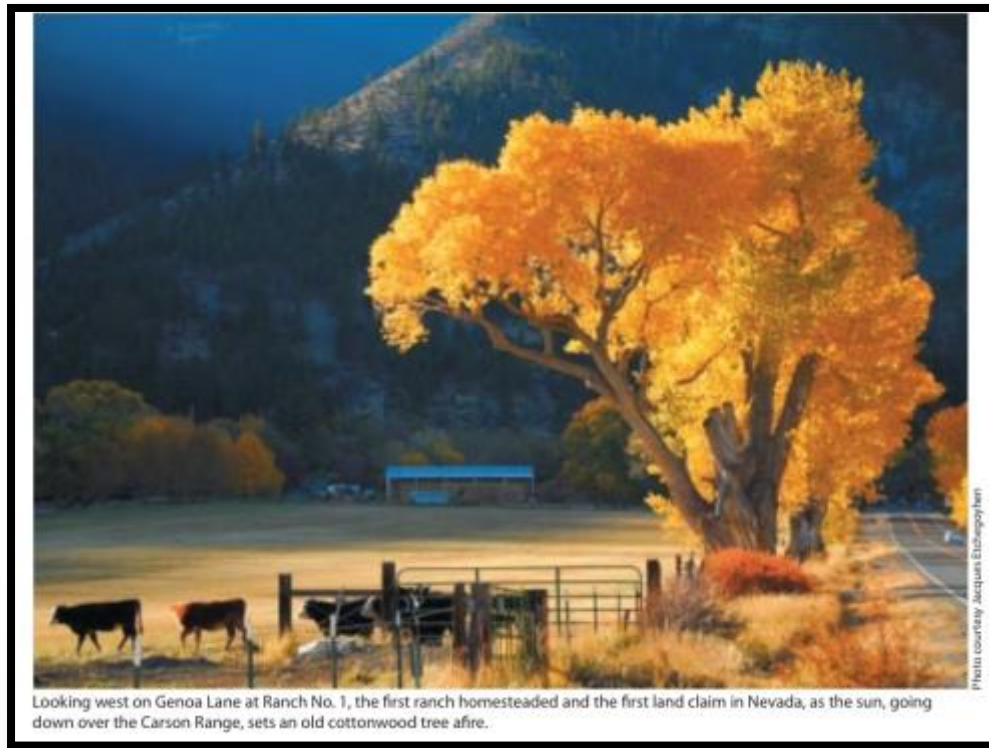


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What is the Douglas County Agricultural Lands and Open Space Measure?



It is an effort to help preserve the rural character of Douglas County.

Vote Yes on Q-3



Fragmentation of ranch lands threatens the preservation of agriculture and open space

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The group includes

- Maureen Casey
- Mark Neddenriep
- Jacques Etchegoyhen
- Jim Slade
- Juan F Guzman
- Ann Bollinger
- Bryce Clutts
- Douglas Reynolds



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Douglas County Planning Commission

The Planning Commission unanimously adopted a Resolution in March 2020 requesting that the Board of County Commissioners incorporate an advisory question asking the voters to approve a 1/4 of a cent sales tax increase on the November General Election Ballot.



A Canada goose sits on its nest in the pond at Centerville Lane and State Route 88.

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Board of County Commissioners

On June 18, 2020 the Board of County Commissioners unanimously adopted Resolution 2020R-43 placing the advisory question on the November General Election Ballot.

The actions were based on two state laws:

- NRS 295.230 and NRS 376A.

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The Resolution defined open space as:

- Land devoted to open space
- Natural shoreline
- Agricultural land
- Stream corridors
- Scenic areas
- View sheds
- Ridges



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Resolution 2020R-041, implementation:

- Open Space will be preserved through the purchase of development rights / conservation easements
- In accordance with the Douglas County Open Space Plan
- Through September 30, 2029 unless extended by the Legislature

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Process envisioned for Easement Purchase

- Landowner contacts Director
- Application completed – reviewed and rated for qualities/criteria
- Costs are estimated
- Grants are researched
- Application presented to the Acquisition Committee

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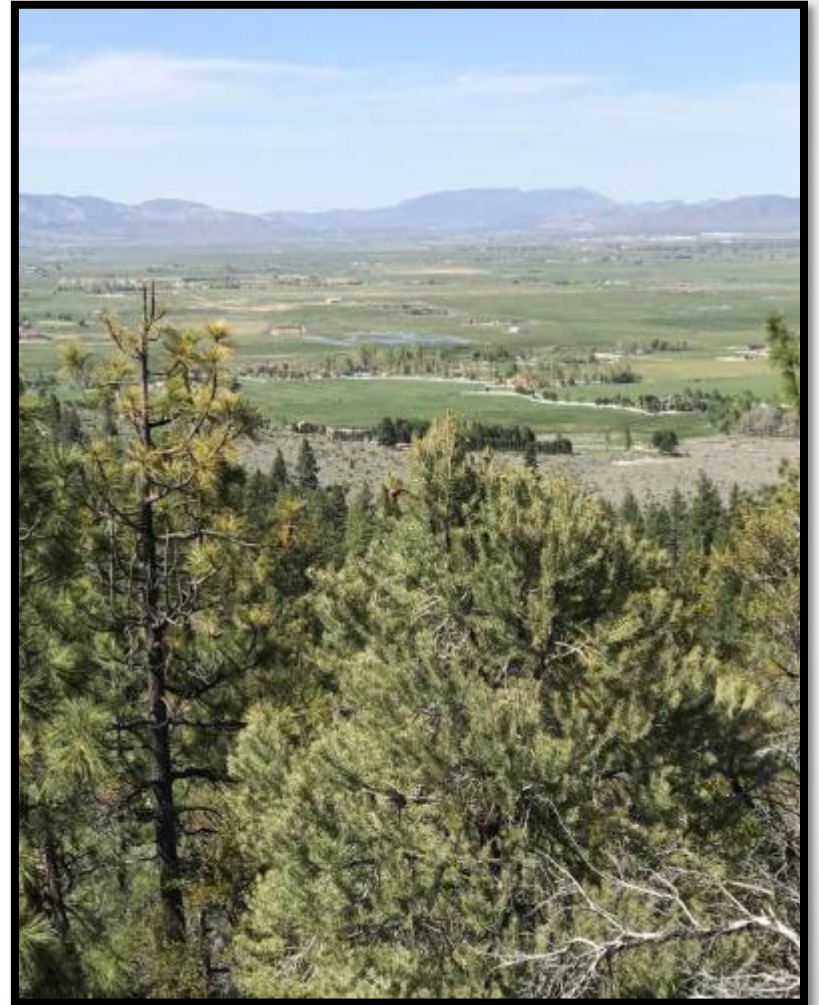
Process envisioned for Easement Purchase, continued

- If approved – negotiations begin
- If successful – contract approved
- Formal appraisal process
- Contract reviewed by Counsel
- Signed document forwarded to BOCC for final approval
- Closing process – easement recorded with property deed

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Endorsements

- **Business Council**
- **Town of Minden**
- **Town of Gardnerville**
- **Town of Genoa**
- **Sustainable Growth Committee**
- **Carson Valley Trails Association**
- **CV Conservation District**
- **Douglas-Carson Farm Bureau**
- **Senator Settlemeier**
- **Assemblyman Wheeler**



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Financial Effect:

If the $\frac{1}{4}$ of a cent sales and use tax increase is implemented:

- 1) the tax is expected to generate approximately \$1.52 million per year for the program.
- 2) no revenue bonds will be sold using the tax proceeds as a funding source.
- 3) The County will not incur additional expenses outside of the program.
- 4) The funds are exclusively for open space acquisition and cannot be used to back-fill the general fund.

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- Sales tax will not be imposed on food, prescription medicines, utilities, and services.
- Visitors and other non-county residents will pay their share of the sales tax raised.
- The average cost per Douglas County family would be around \$30 per year.
- This is a small price to pay to protect and preserve the beauty, culture, lifestyle, open space, and rural character that we love.

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Tax totals

- Douglas 7.35%
- Carson 7.6%
- Washoe 8.26%

County	Total Sales	Tax Rate
Carson City, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.600%
Churchill County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.600%
Clark County, NV Sales Tax Rate		8.375%
Douglas County, NV Sales Tax Rate	7.100%	Plus .25% = After tax increase 7.35%
Elko County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.100%
Esmeralda County, NV Sales Tax Rate		6.850%
Eureka County, NV Sales Tax Rate		6.850%
Humboldt County, NV Sales Tax Rate		6.850%
Lander County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.100%
Lincoln County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.100%
Lyon County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.100%
Mineral County, NV Sales Tax Rate		6.850%
Nye County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.600%
Pershing County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.100%
Storey County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.600%
Washoe County, NV Sales Tax Rate		8.265%
White Pine County, NV Sales Tax Rate		7.725%

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The results are worth it.

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What is a conservation easement?

A conservation easement is a voluntary, legal agreement that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values.



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Vote YES on Question 3!

Help us preserve our rural character and ranching lands which provide open space and ecological services

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