

## BABY LAFCO

In March 2016, the Thomas Family welcomed a new calf to its Ranch and named it "LAFCO," after the LAFCO of Santa Clara County – in celebration of the agency's ongoing efforts to preserve agricultural lands and open space.



Santa Clara County has nearly 223,000 acres of active rangeland, where livestock production thrives — contributing significantly to the local economy and providing important ecosystem services. By directing growth to areas within existing urban areas, LAFCO of Santa Clara County ensures the continued existence of these lands.