

Board of Supervisors

Veterans Day will move Board meeting to Wednesday, November 12th – Under County policy when a federal holiday falls on a scheduled Board day, the Board meeting is moved to the next day. In this case, the Board meeting which would have been on Tuesday November 11th will be on Wednesday, November 12th starting at the usual 9:00am start time.

June Lake Evening Board meeting being rescheduled - The next in the series of Community based evening Board meetings is being re-scheduled. The 11/12 evening Special Board meeting, a part of the Board's ongoing outreach efforts, will be re-scheduled and not happening that evening. The morning Board meeting will occur in Bridgeport though!

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Clerk-Recorder's Office

Reminder – November 4th is Election Day – The Clerk's Office will be working to ensure your votes are counted and will be busy late into Tuesday night. Thank you to Bob Musil, Renn Nolan, Dorothy Cummins, Shannon Kendall, Nate Greenberg, Jami Peterson, Joe Blanchard, Cameron Cary and Stacie Klemm in advance for their efforts to ensure the administration of our democracy happens on Tuesday!

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County Administrator's Office

Public Meetings Announced for Forest Plan Revision - The U.S. Forest Service announces a series of public meetings for Forest Plan Revision for the Sierra, Sequoia and Inyo National Forests. The meetings are scheduled for the following dates and locations:

- 6:00-8:00pm Monday, November 17, Sierra National Forest, Holiday Inn, 5090 East Clinton Way, Fresno, CA
- 6:00-8:00pm Tuesday, November 18, Sequoia National Forest,
 Supervisor's Office, 1839 South Newcomb Street, Porterville, CA
- 6:00-8:00pm Thursday, November 20, Inyo National Forest, Tri-County Fairgrounds, Tallman Pavilion, Sierra Street & Fair Drive, Bishop, CA

These "open house" styled meetings are primarily informational to share the issues and concerns the agency heard during the recently completed scoping phase. The meetings are an opportunity for the public to hear discussion how those issues and concerns are being



used to frame a preliminary range of alternatives. There is no formal comment period associated with these meetings. As always, the Forest Service welcomes opportunities for thoughtful dialogue.

In September, the Forest Service announced its intent to develop an environmental impact statement (EIS) that, when completed, will revise forest plans for the Inyo, Sequoia, and Sierra National Forests. The Sierra, Sequoia and Inyo are three of eight national forests that were selected as "early adopters," meaning they will be the first forests to revise their land management plans using the new 2012 National Forest System Planning Rule. The planning rule provides the framework for Forest Service land management plans across the nation.

The final EIS will result in three separate plans with three Records of Decision following the revised forest plans. Forest Supervisors will remain the "responsible official" for making decisions on their specific forest plans.

There will be an opportunity for formal comment when the draft EIS (DEIS) is released. The Forest Service expects to publish a "Notice of Availability of DEIS" in April 2015, which begins a 90-day public comment period.

Additional information regarding these forest plan revisions is available at:

http://tinyurl.com/r5earlyadopters.

For forest-specific information, please contact that forest directly:

- Inyo NF: Deb Schweizer at 760-873-2427 or debraaschweizer@fs.fed.us
- Sequoia NF: Alicia Embrey at 559-784-1500 or aliciamembrey@fs.fed.us
- Sierra NF: Dirk Charley at 559-297-0706 x4805 or dcharley@fs.fed.us

CONTACT: Deb Schweizer at 760-873-2427

Today CSAC wraps up our exploration of the concept of Prevention and Early Intervention with a blog

and video that profile Orange County's Gang Reduction and Intervention Partnership, as well as environmental programs in Napa, Sonoma and Riverside Counties Please <u>click here to see the video</u>, and <u>click here to read the blog posting</u>. Environmental Video at this link.

Through the month of October, we produced a series of videos that highlight either individual programs, or compilations of programs that we have honored with CSAC Challenge Awards. All of the videos are available on this <u>YouTube playlist</u>.

The programs offer a look at best practices in a variety of disciplines. Taken as a whole, these videos point out the value of prevention and early

intervention as a standard mode of operation. We titled this series "An Ounce of Prevention..." a nod to Benjamin Franklin who said "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." His wisdom stands the test of time.

CONTACT: Gregg Fishman, CSAC Communications Coordinator, (916) 327-7500 ext. 516

The Strategic Plan moving forward! – Ambassadors are reaching out to each Department for feedback. They kicked this process off today, with two meetings at the Sheriff's Department with attendance from a majority of the employee's.

They had great interaction and awesome insight. Thank you to the Sheriff Department and employees who attended, for taking part in this process and welcoming our ambassadors to your department.



Other Departments/programs not yet scheduled:

- Paramedics
- Information technology
- District Attorney's Office
- Probation
- Solid Waste
- Clerk's Office

Next Strategic Plan Steering Committee meeting will be Thursday November 13th at 4:00pm at the Lee Vining Community Center. We will be reviewing feedback and integrating into the Draft.

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Probation

Probation cracking down on juvenile crime – Even Raggedy Ann isn't safe from being a scofflaw!

Public Works

Facilities Staff beta tests Goat Head control - As discussed at the Chalfant Special Board meeting the facilities staff completed on 10-22-14 a 5000 sq. ft. test area that was weeded, roto-tilled, topsoil was installed, and seeded. Staff also completed another test area of similar size as they were on a roll. Facilities staff will continue to focus on these weeds moving forward.



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Sheriff's Office

 Staff attended a meeting with Dr. Johnson regarding emergency / first responders on how to respond to possible Ebola incidents in Mono County.

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2. Our PSO applicant took her psychological evaluation this week, but results are not known as of yet. We still have several applicants for Court Screener continuing their backgrounds

3. The Law Enforcement community lost (4) officers this week in various deadly encounters around the State of California. We ask that everyone keep the Law Enforcement family in your thoughts and prayers. It is always a dangerous profession each and every day..!!

4. The Bridgeport Elementary came by and visited the Sheriff's Office for the annual Trick or Treat visit!

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Social Services

Mono County Social Services continues to need Foster Parents and we are hosting an orientation meeting coming up on:



<u>Tuesday, November 18, 2014 5:30pm- 7:00pm at the Benton</u> <u>Community Center.</u>

Many prospective foster parents are interested in becoming a parent, but can't commit to providing long term care or adoption. That's okay! Mono County needs foster parents of all types; those who can care for a child short-term, on an emergency only basis, as well as those who can provide long-term care. Children come into foster care when their birth families are unable to care for them for a variety of reasons. We provide support & training for you to be a successful foster parent.

Learn more by attending the upcoming Foster Parent Orientation Meeting, November 18, 2014 5:30pm – 7:00pm at the Benton Community Center.



If you can, please forward the attached flyers to someone you think might be interested; or post the flyers so others may have a chance to see it. Thank you so much for considering this opportunity to help children and families in Mono County!

CONTACT: Marlo Preis, (760) 924-1793 or mpreis@mono.ca.gov to RSVP.

County launches new Job Training Programs thanks to Social Services Initiative - The Job Skills Placement program involves providing work experience for low income parents in Mono County. These

individuals are able to work at a business while the CalWORKs program pays all of their wages and worker's compensation.

The initial step in making these programs a success requires developing relationships with businesses throughout the county. If you would like to know more about these programs and have input on the best ways to make connections with businesses in northern Mono County, please contact me. I can be available to speak more with you over the phone or in person.

CONTACT: Jay Sloane, (760) 924-1788

Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action is now accepting applications for the 2014 Holiday Food Basket program available to low income households throughout Inyo and Mono Counties Applications are available online or at the Lone Pine, Bishop or Mammoth Lakes office. All applications are due to the IMACA main office in Bishop by Friday Nov 14. Faxed application we be accepted.

CONTACT: Ashley Diaz, (760) 873-8557 or stop by the IMACA office, 224 S. Main St., Bishop

CA 93514 or the IMACA website, www.imaca.net