MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 22, 2008

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lew C. Bauman  
County Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: County Administrative Officer’s Weekly Report for December 22, 2008

This is the weekly report by the County Administrative Officer to the Board of Supervisors. This report provides information on issues affecting the County and the progress of County activities.

Library

Give a Gift to Monterey County Residents: Monterey County Free Libraries (MCFL) regularly receives gifts from the public. Any gift to the library is a gift to the community that benefits a large number of people throughout the County.

This year MCFL has reduced its materials budget by $60,000 and any gift means more than ever to the community. Consider purchasing a book or DVD for MCFL from our wish list on Amazon.com, or from any local book retailer. The book or DVD you select will be sent to the requesting branch library and made available to users anywhere in the system.

Simply go to montereycountyfreelibraries.org and look for the gift icon, or go directly to amazon.com, click on “Gifts and wish lists,” and type in “Monterey County Free Libraries.” Browse through the list and select an item that catches your eye and order it for the library. Or you may contact any MCFL branch to find out about their specific needs and requests.

For more information, contact your local branch of Monterey County Free Libraries or call 831 883-7564.
RMA - Public Works

On December 18th, 23 employees from the Resource Management Agency participated in a Web-based training session to learn more about storm water pollution prevention. This training, initiated by the Department of Public Works (DPW), was conducted by the American Public Works Association and involved over 20 organizations across the United States and Canada. Three subject matter experts presented topics as varied as spill prevention, treatment of storm drain waste and proper use of pesticides. Attendees included staff from DPW’s Roads, Signs, Parks, Facilities, Engineering, Fleet Services and Architectural Services divisions. Additionally staff from other RMA departments including Building Department’s Building Inspection and Grading Inspection divisions also attended. Consensus among participants was that while most of the information presented was for review purposes, there were some new and valuable ideas presented, such as use of biofilters and settling basins. Use of Web-based training kept the cost to $150 and eliminated lost productivity as no travel time was required. The training was coordinated by Steve Leiker of DPW’s Engineering division.

This concludes the CAO report.