MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 11, 2010

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lew C. Bauman
County Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: County Administrative Officer’s Report for the week of October 11, 2010

This is the weekly report by the County Administrative Officer.

This Weeks Topics: Employee flu shot clinics are open for business, Elections explains how to get your voter guides online and the Ford Ord Cemetery Project will benefit from a bill now on the President’s desk.

Natividad Medical Center

Its time for flu shots! Natividad Medical Center is organizing employee flu shot clinics at various County offices in October and November. The kick off clinic is Tuesday, October 12th. See the schedule below for October times and locations.

Employees must bring their medical cards and the Registration and Consent Forms. Family members may also receive shots at these clinics at a cost of $20; they must have their insurance cards and paperwork.

- Government Center: 10/12 @ 8a-10a & 10/27 @ 10a-12p 168 West Alisal St., Building Main Lobby | contact: Donna Myers @3083
- Agriculture Dept: 10/12 @ 1p-4:30p 1428 Abbott Street, Ag Center Conference Room | contact: Lennis Arriaga | 759-7353
- DSES (King City): 10/18 @ 8:30a-11:30a 116 Broadway | Check in at front desk | contact: Jim Benavides | 385-7445
- DSES (Quad): 10/20 & 10/25 @ 1p-4:30p 1000 S. Main St., Conference Room #110 | contact: Anna Olds @4448
• Laurel Yard: 10/19 @ 7:30a-10:30a 855 Laurel, Bldg C, Training Room | contact: David Sullivan @4848
• Parks Department: 10/19 @ 1p—3:30p 855 E. Laurel Dr., Bldg G | contact: Christina Raarup @4906
• DSES (Seaside): 10/22 @ 7a-3p 1281 Broadway Ave, Orientation Rm | contact: Anna Olds @4448 | Laurel Crisan @8006
• One Stop & DCSS: 10/26 @ 8:30a-12:30p 730 La Guardia, Advanced Ace Room | contact: Rhonda Williams | 755-4786

Elections
November 2, 2010 Statewide General: As of Monday, the November General Election is 22-days away. On October 4, the Department generated the “29-day Report of Registration” for the Secretary of State. The registration information for the County of Monterey is as follows:

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Register to Vote: Monday, October 18 is the last day to register to vote, or to correct your residence or mailing address so you can receive voter materials for the November election. Did you know that state law prohibits the US Postal Service to forward your election mail if you move? This is one piece of mail that will not follow you!

Any voter, who did not yet receive any voter materials, may want to check their registration status on the Department’s website. On the homepage, select the link for “Am I registered to vote in Monterey County?” Please remember to type only numeric digits, you do not need to spell out the street name. If the result is, “No matches found”, please call the Department and allow one of the telephone operators to assist you. You may not need to reregister to vote, but they will be able to tell you for certain.

Election Mail: All state and local ballot materials are now out in the mail stream. Last week, the Department completed the mailing process for the local Monterey County Voter Guide and vote by mail ballots. In a week’s period, the US Postal Services processed nearly 256,000 pieces of mail from the Elections Department. Also, last week, the Secretary of State’s office confirmed that they have mailed the State Voter Guides throughout Monterey, also completing that mailing as of late last week.

As a reminder, state law allows the Secretary of State to mail only ONE State Voter Guide per household as long as all registrants are of the same family/have the same last name. This means if you have more than one voter in your household with the same last name, you will only receive ONE State Voter Guide. This is not the same for the local Monterey County Voter Guide – state law mandates that counties provide one for each voter.

Due to internal delays with translations and layout work, the Department was not able to mail the local Monterey Voter Guide on the exact same day as the official Vote by Mail ballots.
were mailed. This can create confusion as some voters may receive their ballot a few days before they receive their State or local voter guides. The Department does strive to mail materials in conjunction, or mail the voter guide a day or two in advance of the official ballot in an effort to allow voters to read the printed candidate and ballot measure materials before opening their ballot. While there is no state law to mandate the mailing of voter materials on the same day, even if there were, there could be no guarantee made by any election official the materials would arrive to the mailbox at the same time.

Did you know that both the state and local voter guides can be found online? Visit the websites below:

**Monterey County Voter Guide:** [http://www.montereycountyelections.us/Locator.asp](http://www.montereycountyelections.us/Locator.asp)

OR, from the Department’s home page (www.montereycountyelections.us) select the link “Where do I vote? Find your polling place here.” Then, you will be asked to provide your residence address, including street number and a copy of the bilingual Monterey County Voter Guide.

**State Voter Guide:** You can access this guide from the Secretary of State’s home page. Select the link for the official voter information that is inside the box on the left side of the page labeled, “My Voice. My Choice. My Vote.”

Corrections! Thanks to one of our fellow Monterey County employees, Winifred Chambliss, we are making a correction to last week’s CAO Weekly Report. Last week’s report indicated that Early Voting began on Monday, October 10 which is not correct. Early Voting actually began a week earlier, Monday, October 4. State law sets the first day for voting, which is always 29-days prior to any election. Thanks Wini!

This level of direct customer/voter feedback is welcomed by the Department and can only be seen as a step in the direction of future efficiencies and successes.

**RMA – Redevelopment and Housing**
The Resource Management Agency’s Redevelopment and Housing Office provides support staff for the Fort Ord Veterans’ Cemetery project, and this week, there has been an important step forward for this project.

After a lengthy process, the Veterans’ Benefit Act of 2010 is now on President Obama’s desk for signature. Included in this bill is a provision to increase the burial allowances for servicemen from $300 to $700. This aspect of the bill will have a big impact on the proposed California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery at the former Fort Ord, as it will offset monies needed for final services from the cemetery endowment fund, in order for the State to proceed with the project.

Also this week, the Director of the State Office for Veterans Affairs will attend the Cemetery Project Committee meeting Thursday, October 14th at 1:00pm at the Marina Library. For those interested in attending, there will be a review of project and design costs and how to secure design funds.