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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Birgitta Corsello, County Administrator  
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Subject: Biweekly Update of Significant Issues

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## 1. County Administrator's Update on Contracts

The County Administrator has signed the following contracts of significance since the last Significant Issues update.

- Treasurer-Tax Collector – County Clerk, a contract with CSG (effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012) to print and mail secured, supplemental and unsecured tax bills, \$45,000.
- Human Resources, a contract with Phase II Systems (effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012) to provide PARS trust administration services, \$48,000.

## 2. Discussion on Child Welfare Services Delayed Until September

During FY2011/12 Budget Hearings, Board discussions on Child Welfare Services prompted a commitment by Health and Social Services to bring back an agenda item in August that explored a revised operational plan for Child Welfare Services Division, including a proposal for adjustments to the staffing plan. This item will be delayed until late September. H&SS fiscal staff is working on the cost- benefit analysis of its proposal in light of the overall implications of the known and anticipated (to the degree possible) State and Federal budget reductions. When that analysis and all internal H&SS reviews are complete, the proposal will be reviewed with the County Administrator's Office before presenting it to the Board.

- Contact: Linda Orrante, H&SS Deputy Director for Child Welfare Services, 784-8400

## 3. Nut Tree Airport Obstruction Removal Project

Solano County was awarded a \$142,157 grant in 2010 by the Caltrans Division of Aeronautics to remove obstructions that pose a safety risk to aircraft at the Nut Tree Airport. The obstructions include a large grove of Eucalyptus trees and a marking pole located near the west side of the runway that constitutes a flight hazard pursuant to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations.

The obstruction removal project is located on approximately 38 acres of undeveloped property currently owned by the Vacaville Redevelopment Agency (RDA). County staff is discussing with

the City to transfer the RDA property to the County in exchange for the County removing the obstructions.

There has been significant progress on removing the obstructions since the Caltrans grant was awarded. The original target date anticipated finishing the project by October 2011; however, due to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements, the lengthy permitting process and seasonal habitat limitations, the obstruction removal project could not be completed prior to the expiration of the Caltrans grant. The Airport Manager petitioned Caltrans for an extension of the grant, which was approved and extended to October 2012. Therefore, the obstruction removal project can proceed to improve flight safety at the Airport and to comply with FAA requirements.

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