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To: Board of Supervisors  
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## **1. County Administrator's Update on Contracts**

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

- Resource Management, a contract with Ascent Environmental (effective August 23, 2012 to December 31, 2012) to prepare a revised water supply analysis chapter for a recirculated environmental impact report for the Middle Green Valley Specific Plan project, for a total of \$39,780.

## **2. Treasurer Adds QR Codes to New Tax Bills**

In keeping with the Treasurer's long-term goal of increased electronic processing and communication, tax bills will now be printed with a "Quick Response" (QR) code. QR codes allow the recipient to scan the code using a mobile device, and the code will direct their device to perform a specified action. The initial QR code to be deployed will take the taxpayer to the department's online bill payment site, with enhancements next year that will take them to their exact tax bill. It is expected that by increasing the ease with which a taxpayer can access their bill online, it will increase the use of online payments and reduce the number of payments received either in person or via traditional mailed sources. Both of these payment formats require a much higher degree of staff time, and are more costly than acceptance of an online payment. Online options currently available are e-check, debit card, and credit card.



The department is also evaluating the use of QR codes and interactive chat services that will reduce phone and counter transactions, and provide taxpayers information in a more cost-effective format.

- Contact: Charles Lomeli, Treasurer-Tax Collector-County Clerk, 784-3419

## **3. Workforce Investment Board Hosts Regional Career Fair on October 4**

The Workforce Investment Board (WIB) of Solano County will host its 15<sup>th</sup> Biannual WIB Regional Career Fair on Thursday, October 4, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the University of Phoenix at 5253 Business Center Drive in Fairfield.

This has consistently been the largest Career Fair in Solano County, and is open to the general public at no cost. More than 1,100 job seekers attended the Spring Career Fair in April 2012. Currently, more than 75 employers have confirmed that they will participate. Each employer has current job openings, and the employer list represents a wide variety of occupational areas.

The event is co-hosted by the University of Phoenix, and the Premier Sponsor is Coast Radio Co. Inc, 95.3 KUIC, 101.7 KKIQ, Diablo Valley 92.1 KKDV. There are several other sponsors who make this event possible.

For more information and a complete list of the employers that will be at the Career Fair, log on to [www.solanowib.org](http://www.solanowib.org).

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