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# Who is Using All the Water!



As California's drought deepens, water use drops only 1.8%. MPG file photo

## By Rachel Beckers, CALMatters.org

Californians reduced their water use at home by a meager 1.8% statewide in July compared to last year, even after Gov. Gavin Newsom urged residents to conserve 15% and drought continues to spread across

Officials warned water providers south of the Delta who rely on state water allocations – already slashed to 5% this year – to brace for the possibility of zero supply next year.

The Department of Water Board. Resources also cautioned that next year's cuts in supply could expand to growers and others known as settlement contractors, whose claims to the water predate California's massive systems of reservoirs, aqueducts and canals.

"Californians always have hope, and that's healthy. But we need to be prudent," Karla Nemeth, director of the state Department of Water Resources, said in an interview.

"We're doing more conservative number," said Joaquin Esquivel, chair planning than we've ever done."

Drought conditions deemed extreme or worse now cover nearly 90% of the state. Hundreds of domestic wells are running dry, and levels in major reservoirs have dropped drastically below historic averages – which bodes ill for supplies next year.

"The challenge is there is no water," Nemeth said.

we are hoping for something better," Nemeth added at today's meeting of the State Water Resources Control that's where we're going."

Californians to voluntarily cut domestic water use by 15%, but in the absence of a statewide mandate, a patchwork of restrictions has emerged. The result: Californians used about 191.5 billion acre feet of water in their homes, businesses and other industrial or institutional spaces in July, only 1.8% less than a year earlier.

"I'm not here to say 1.8 is a good

of the State Water Resources Control Board, at a Monday press briefing. 'We're going to have to continue to dig in deeper and look forward to seeing what the numbers show then in August."

When asked when to expect statewide conservation orders, Esquivel said that for now, the board is reflecting on the data. "We need to continue "We're planning for the worst, but to see that response and decisionmaking, and the state's here to make sure that if we need to go mandatory,

The biggest drops in house-In early July, Newsom urged hold water use were along the hard-hit North Coast, with a nearly 17% reduction in July 2021 compared with July 2020. The Sonoma County city of Healdsburg led the state by cutting its water use by more than half, and Cloverdale, which reduced its use by 37%. Both cities enacted mandatory water use restrictions.

> Water use in the South Coast region, which includes Los Angeles, Continued on page 2

# City of Yuba City **Enhances Its Digital Future**

City of Yuba City Press Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) -The City of Yuba City is thrilled to announce a new partnership that will provide reliable, superfast broadband to homes and businesses, establishing critical access to high-speed internet and bolstering economic development opportunities. In early September, the City Council voted to adopt a resolution entering into a right-of-way and use agreement with SiFi Networks for the deployment of a citywide fiber-optic network - at no cost to the City – with full build-out within five years.

SiFi Networks will privately fund, build and operate the open-access, multi-gigabit fiber network, which will run through every street in the City so all residents, businesses, and facilities have access. The infrastructure will allow multiple internet providers to access the network, not only enhancing access but stimulating competition to create better market choices, prices and customer service.

"We are excited to offer a fiber-optic network solution to our community via SiFi Networks. This is an important step for the future growth and prosperity for our residents and businesses," said Mayor Marc Boomgaarden. "Through this partnership, we ensure that Yuba City is leading on the technological forefront and providing the necessary infrastructure for our citizens and economy to thrive well into the future."

SiFi Networks is an international fiber-optic network developer that funds, builds, and operates state-of-the-art community-wide networks that enable internet service providers to deliver superfast internet, video and phone. Yuba City is the eighth city in California to sign up for SiFi Networks' FiberCity initiative.

Through the agreement, SiFi will install hundreds of miles of fiber below City surface streets, closing the digital divide as the network passes every home and business, leaving no neighborhoods behind. Among its many advantages, the network will enable Yuba City to implement Smart City applications to use data to create more efficient public services, while also supporting telehealth, virtual learning, and many other growing business sectors.

"The last 18 months have proven how critical internet connectivity is for our society, from Continued on page 5

# Yuba Water Grants Support **Levee Improvements**

From YubaWater.org

YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG) · Yuba Water Agency's Board of Directors today approved more than \$1.1 million for critical urban and rural levee improvements in Yuba County.

"These investments ensure Yuba County businesses and communities can continue to grow and thrive knowing that they're among the best protected in the state in terms of flood risk," said Yuba Water Vice-Chairman Gary Bradford.

The bulk of the funds, \$1,050,000, were granted to Reclamation District 10 to continue construction of an elevated toe access corridor along the Feather River north of Marysville. A levee toe is the edge of the levee where the base meets the natural ground.



The toe access corridor project site in Reclamation District 10, north of Marysville. Photo courtesy

The improvements will increase access for maintenance, inspections and flood fight operations during high water events, reduce the risk of levee failure from underseepage and limit unauthorized public access to the floodway. The

agency previously granted \$1.3 million to RD 10 for this project. The additional funds will bring the project to completion.

RD 10 includes approximately 12,000 acres of land and 23 miles of levees north of Marysville and

The board also approved a second \$70,000 grant to Reclamation District

east of the Feather River.

784. The district will use \$50,000 to annex portions of the Bear and Feather River setback levees and

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# Cost-of-Living Crisis Continues to Drive Up California's Poverty Rate



More people live in poverty in California than in any other state because of our high and rising costs of living. Photo by Anna Shuate Pavale

California Business Roundtable News Release

## SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

- According to data published by the U.S. Census Bureau, California continues to have the worst poverty rate among all states when adjusted to account for government programs designed to help low-income families and necessary expenses for critical goods and services.

"More people live in poverty in California than in any other state because of our high and rising costs of living. More than 16 percent of Americans living in poverty live in California,

despite being home to just 12 percent of the population," said Rob Lapsley, president of the California Business Roundtable. "Driven by our housing and overall cost-of-living crisis, more Californians struggling to make ends meet

are falling into poverty."
California's cost-adjusted poverty rate (2018-2020 average) was 15.4 percent, while 16.5 percent of all Americans living in poverty live in California. Rates among the other states ranged from 5.9 percent in Minnesota to 14.5 percent in Mississippi (16.5 percent in DC), with the US average at 11.2 percent and the average among all

states other than California at 10.6 percent. For the first time, California residents paid more for electricity in March 2021 than the average for all other states in the nation. They also continue to pay the highest gas taxes and prices in the country and for the ongoing housing crisis through increased housing costs. As tracked by the Center for Jobs and the Economy's Affordability Index, nearly all necessity costs for the average California family continue to increase.

"Unfortunately, it is

likely that our poverty crisis will continue to get worse," Mr. Lapsley continued. "We are seeing a significant increase in inflation, which will drive costs up even higher. At the same time, a series of new and expensive energy mandates are being implemented, which will drive up the cost on home electricity, gasoline, goods and services, and housing. And let's not forget the more than \$200 billion in new and higher taxes introduced by the California Legislature in 2021 alone. Without prioritizing focus on affordability and honest discussion of the price Californians are paying for new and expensive regulations, fees and mandates, we will never address the growing poverty crisis in our state." ★

# Caltrans Completes Bridge Project on Highway 70 in Yuba County

CalTrans News Release

YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) today announced the completion of the State Route 70 Simmerly Slough Bridge Replacement Project north of Marysville. The \$60.4 million project included \$6.3 million in funding from Senate Bill (SB) 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

The new bridge meets current seismic and erosion standards and features wide shoulders, a protected pedestrian walkway and a new sidewalk between Laurellen Road and Cemetery Road. The new structure replaces a narrow, 64-year-old bridge.

"This is another significant SB 1 project that replaces an aging bridge, improves safety and increases access for those who walk or bike," said Caltrans Director Toks Omishakin. "SB 1 is allowing Caltrans to make critical infrastructure improvements like this throughout California."

More than 17,000 vehicles and approximately 1,000 trucks per day use this segment of State Route 70,

New Simmerly Slough Bridge Made Possible by SB 1. Pho

New Simmerly Slough Bridge Made Possible by SB 1. Photo courtesy CalTrans

which is the primary interregional freight and commuter corridor between Chico and the Sacramento region.

The Simmerly Slough Bridge project is the second major construction project completed in the past two years on the heavily traveled corridor between Marysville and Oroville. In fall, 2019, Caltrans completed a safety and passing lanes project on SR-70 from Ophir Road to Palermo Road in Butte County.

Meanwhile, a safety project from Palermo to Cox Lane in Butte County is expected to be completed by year-end and another project from East Gridley Road to the Butte-Yuba County line started construction last

month.

"State Route 70 is an important artery and economic link in the region. Improving this highway for local residents, tourists and commercial and agricultural operators is vital," said Caltrans District 3 Director Amarjeet S. Benipal.

SB 1 provides \$5 billion in transportation funding annually split between the state and local agencies. Road projects progress through construction phases more quickly based on the availability of SB 1 funds, including projects that are partially funded by SB 1. For more information about other transportation projects funded by SB 1, visit RebuildingCA.ca.gov.

# Yuba Water Grants Support Levee Improvements

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the Yuba Goldfields levees. The move will bring levees constructed by the Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority into RD 784 boundaries, which is an important step toward ensuring that costs associated with newly-constructed levees in southern Yuba County are eligible for reimburse-

ment from the state.

RD 784 received approval for an additional \$20,000 to de-annex the rural Horseshoe Levee east of Plumas Lake. The funds will only be used if the district's application is accepted and the state establishes a state maintenance area for the rural portions of the levees.

The largest levee district in Yuba County, RD 784 covers more than 40,000 acres of land and more than 33 miles of levees. The district encompasses approximately 2,000 commercial buildings and more than 12,500 homes, including the communities of Linda, Olivehurst, Arboga and Plumas Lake.

The board's actions are part of an ongoing multi-partner, multi-decade effort to bring a 200-year level of urban flood

protection to Yuba County, which means there's roughly a 1 in 200 chance a storm could come along that is bigger than the system can handle.

Since its formation in 1959, Yuba Water has led the local effort with state and federal agencies, Congress and others to increase public safety by reducing the risk of catastrophic flooding in Yuba County. Yuba Water supports flood risk reduction primarily through its operation of New Bullards Bar Dam and Reservoir. The agency also assists local levee districts, which are responsible for maintaining the levee system within its boundaries, through coordination and funding.

Yuba Water's grant application window occurs during March and September of each year. These grants were considered sooner to avoid the delay of critical work and to meet deadlines associated with state reimbursement programs.

Learn more about Yuba Water's commitment to flood risk reduction and economic development in Yuba County at yubawater.org. ★

# Who is Using All the Water!

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Orange, San Diego and Ventura counties, was roughly even with last summer, down 0.1%. However, about 40% of water suppliers in the area actually used more water.

San Francisco Bay Area residents cut their water use by 8.4%. Northern and southern San Joaquin Valley residents reduced use by 0.8% and 1.6%, respectively.

Officials warned that major cuts could come for irrigation districts, cities and other water users south of the Delta relying on supplies from the State Water Project, which provides water to 27 million Californians and 750,000 acres of farmland.

At this point, Nemeth said there's "a slim likelihood" of supplies for these water systems, which includes the giant Metropolitan Water District, which provides imported water to 19 million people in Southern California. Worst-case scenario, she said, "we've asked them to plan for no allocation from the State Water Project."

Those suppliers, including in the Bay Area, Southern California, the Central Coast and the San Joaquin Valley, have seen steep cuts before, during the last drought in 2014. But this time is worse: Even a wet year is unlikely to bring relief.

"We're starting with record low (reservoir) storage," Nemeth said. "We would have to have north of 140% of (average) precipitation to generate average runoff into the reservoirs that would begin filling that

State and federal project operators have come under fire from environmental advocates for supplying hundreds of thousands of acre feet to these senior contractors, while failing to meet water quality standards and cutting allocations to more-junior agricultural contractors and cities.

Feather River Contractors, for instance,

were allocated the lowest levels allowed in their contracts, but still were expected to receive nearly 600,000 acre feet of water, according to the Department of Water Resources – enough water to supply 1.8 million Southern California households for a year. That's about three times more water than long-term State Water Project contractors, including the giant Metropolitan Water District, were provided.

California's drought conditions and warming temperatures are threatening salmon and other rare fish.

For endangered Sacramento River winterrun Chinook salmon, "we've modeled the temperature dependent mortality at about 80% this year, meaning only 20% even survive to make it out of the gravel," Barry Thom, West Coast regional administrator for NOAA Fisheries, told the water board.

Doug Obegi, a senior attorney with the Natural Resources Defense Council, urged the board on Tuesday to require state and federal water project operators to cut supplies to settlement contractors to protect fish.

If supplies aren't reduced, "you're going to have even worse temperature mortality of salmon next year," Obegi told CalMatters. "You start with less water, and you have less at the end of the year, you're going to have a lot more dead fish. It's grim."

Nemeth said she issued the early warning to prepare growers dependent on senior contracts well in advance of making planting decisions.

Last year, early planting by growers "really limited the amount of decisions we thought we could make without causing real economic damage," Nemeth said. This year, "We want to alert them sooner that it could be worse than they've experienced before."



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After a year and a half of remote learning and social distancing, kids are once again socializing after school and between classes, and are being confronted with one of the biggest dangers on school campuses - vaping.

As smoking cigarettes became less popular with younger generations, tobacco companies have adapted — changing their products to appeal directly to kids. They use misleading advertising to push colorful vapes and fruity flavors that make tobacco use look trendy, fun and empowering. This kind of advertising is why e-cigarettes are now the most commonly used type of tobacco product among California high school students.

The tobacco industry tries to hook young people, whose developing brains are more vulnerable to addiction, with candy-flavored vapes and youth-targeted social media marketing. Youth who live in rural areas are even more vulnerable, because the tobacco industry takes advantage of weaker tobacco retail laws in smaller communities.

Because of these practices, rural counties have some of the highest smoking rates in California, and rural residents start smoking at an earlier age, often after becoming addicted to nicotine through vaping.

Kid-friendly flavors like Blue Razz, Banana Ice and Pegasus Milk mask the harsh taste of tobacco, making it easy to start vaping and harder to quit. The tobacco industry also continues to lie and say that vaping and flavors are harmless, even though it's been proven that tobacco products lead to poor health and behavioral outcomes for teens.

Nicotine rewires the brain to crave more of it, creating nicotine withdrawal symptoms like headaches, shaky hands, mood swings and the inability to concentrate, ultimately holding them back developmentally and impacting kids' relationships, academic performance and ability to have happy, successful futures as adults.

"Parents, school officials, and community leaders need to be more aware of the how, where, and why our children are accessing and using tobacco products," said Larry Olson, Chair of the Mendocino County Tobacco Prevention Coalition. "By knowing more about these products and the tobacco companies' tactics to hook our youth, we can be effective advocates to push for local policies that curb tobacco use and save our children from a lifetime of addiction."

The good news is that kids are starting to get the message. In California, data from the California Student Tobacco Survey shows that 8.2% of high school students vape, a significant drop from 2019, and half that of the US high

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school vaping rate (19.6%). Yet the majority of youth who vape want to quit, and reported making multiple attempts to quit in the past year.

This is a critical moment in the fight against tobacco. We cannot let the tobacco industry steal the free will of another generation by convincing them that vapes are empowering. We can help our children keep their free will intact by choosing not to fall prey to the false advertising of the tobacco industry. We have the power to create a better, tobacco-free future in California-and we must start by protecting our kids.

> PROTECT KIDS AT Flavors Hook Kids.org

# What Parents Need to Know about Returning to School

By Kirsten Clausen, Safe Schools for All

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Five Key Reminders as California Schools Reopen:

California school districts are close to fully reopening for the 2021-22 school year. Seventeen of the 20 largest districts have reopened with the other three on schedule to reopen soon. By implementing the right precautions, such as wearing masks indoors, parents can feel confident about their children being back in school for full, inperson learning.

"With the help of scientists and medical professionals, we have gathered a lot more information about the coronavirus since it first hit America more than a year ago and those learnings are being applied to the new school year," said Dr. Naomi Bardach, team lead for the Safe Schools for All program. "It is imperative that we work together to support learning and growth for all students by fully reopening schools, which play a vital role in our communities."

"Living with the virus has become our reality and we are learning to adapt," continued Dr. Bardach. "There will continue to be challenges this school year but with a multi-layered strategy in place – testing, vaccinations, masking, improved ventilation — we are confident this is the best path to safely returning to in-person learning."

"As we dig into the school year, there are several things that parents should keep top of mind that will directly impact



By implementing the right precautions, such as wearing masks indoors, parents can feel confident about their children being back in school for full, in-person learning. MPG file photo

their children's safety and well-being. Here are five key areas that I recommend paying close attention to," recommended Dr. Bardach.

Vaccinations remain key to COVID-19 prevention in kids

Medical research has shown that children are less likely to catch the coronavirus than older students and adults. Most children contract the virus from a close relative in their home, not from other students or school personnel. Vaccines substantially reduce the need for quarantines, especially in middle and high schools:

Remember all teachers

and staff in K-12 public and private schools are required to get vaccinated or undergo weekly COVID-19 testing.

The requirement to get vaccinated or weekly COVID-19 testing applies to the state's 320,000 public school teachers and more than 250,000 support staff - from cafeteria employees to campus custodians - and at least 80,000 private school employees, according to the California Department of Education and labor unions. It will also pertain to school volunteers. These individuals will set the tone on our campuses and ensuring

their safety allows for more focus on the students.

School-associated cases are evidence that schools are screening out COVID-19.

COVID-19.

Schools are creating safe spaces through layered approaches including testing and contract tracing which supports identifying cases, in addition to sending ongoing notifications to keep parents updated. Vaccinations for anyone 12 years of age and older and masks for all students supports schools in being safe spaces for students.

Schools reopening promotes mental and social-emotional health.

The last year and half has been a long and hard challenge for many of our students. The absence of school structure has led to social isolation and anxiety which severely impacts student's social and emotional development. Research supports the reopening of schools to promote the mental, social-emotional and academic well-being of students. We must do all we can to mitigate the substantial effects of students remaining out of in-person learning. We want them back doing the things they love - socializing, spending time with their friends

and playing sports.

The Delta variant remains a concern.

remains a concern.

The presence of the Delta variant has created a need to increase testing capacity in many schools, although children are not the principal drivers of virus transmission. Vaccination is the best way to protect against the Delta variant. Unvaccinated children may safely return to school, but that makes other protective measures such as masking more important for them.

For more information and ongoing updates, parents can visit https://schools.covid19.ca.gov/pages/parent-page.



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# **Ex-Offender Sentenced to 394 Years** to Life and Pay Victim \$300,000

**Butte County District Attorney** 

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - A Chico man was sentenced to 150 years to life in prison, with an additional 244 years for the aggravated sexual abuse that he committed against a young girl who was in his custody between the ages of 12 to 17.

In May of this year, a jury found William David Lawson, Jr., 45, of Chico, guilty on all 15 counts and seven special allegations of sexual abuse charged against him. The trial judge also found true a special allegation that Lawson had previously suffered a "strike" conviction for a residential burglary he committed in 2000, which served to double his sentence in the case.

Butte County Superior Court Judge Jesus A. Rodriguez imposed the maximum sentence under the law, noting that Lawson's actions were callous and calculated and took advantage of a vulnerable girl "who trusted him like a father." After pronouncement of the sentence, the judge turned to a motion filed by the prosecutor, Butte County Supervising District Attorney, Leah Sears, asking that Lawson be ordered to pay emotional abuse damages of \$300,000 to the young victim. The

prosecutor noted the ordered money would help pay for life-long counseling for the

As the judge began to rule on the motion, Lawson began to scream racial epithets and profanities at the judge, prosecutor, and victim in the courtroom. Lawson was taken out of the court by bailiffs. The judge then agreed with the prosecutor that Lawson had voluntarily absented himself from the court, and his response to the People's motion for damages, was the epithets and profanities he screamed out. The court then awarded the requested damages to the victim, noting she had been subject to abuse and fears that "no child should have to endure at an age when she should have been free to ponder innocent and joyful possibilities in life."

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey noted that legislation passed last year by the state legislature would qualify Lawson to seek parole after only twenty years of custody. "The state's new 'Elder Parole program' allows prisoners sentenced to life, regardless of the statutory minimum of that life sentence, to seek parole after only twenty years of custody once they reach 50 years of age." Ramsey said.

# City of Yuba City Enhances Its Digital Future

Continued from page 1 education to employment to recreation, and the demand is only going to increase," said City Manager Dave Vaughn. "Our partnership

boost the City's technology infrastructure and

with SiFi Networks will quality of life for Yuba City residents."

Residents and businesses strengthen our ability to can register their interest retain and attract businesses in FiberCity network for and jobs, and enhance the updates on the project. ★



Soup, but not for awhile. The Covid virus is keeping us cautious. Many of our workers, as well as customers, have been fighting off this dreadful illness. Watch for our reopening date, hopefully mid-October.

Books & More will be closed for their annual fall vacation from September 29 to October 15. Yvonne will be spending a week in Vermont and visiting some longtime friends along the way.

Now it is fall we can be more hopeful of rain. It often rained on the first day of deer season. Days are certainly getting shorter. We need some moisture so we can be ready for wood fires. Farmer's Market is over this weekend. We certainly enjoyed it during the summer and hope it Christine and Yvonne

Plans are being made to reopen Stone is being planned for next summer. Even though Covid virus is still around, we had our annual Mountain Fair (back after so many years) and the Art and Wine Show. The Blues Festival was a great success. Now to settle in for the next season, looking forward to the Octoberfest, Halloween and Thanksgiving. Don't forget about Hometown Christmas at the museum on Nov. 26. We don't even want to know how many shopping days there are until Christmas.

> Look Back in Time - In 1926 many gathered at the famous old bar in Woodleaf to hear the Dempsey-Tunney fight over a radio (sports night almost 100 years ago).

~ Hope to see you in Brownsville soon.



### Local Irrigation Districts in California Sue State Board Over Water Supply Cuts

Irrigation districts in several Central Valley farm communities are suing the State Water Resources Control Board over its recent water curtailments order. Lawsuits, filed in Fresno and Sacramento County superior courts, claim state officials overstepped their legal authority in halting diversions from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The Aug. 20 water board action effectively cut off surface water supplies to 4,500 California farms.

### Legal Fight Shakes up Olive Industry as Acreage Continues to Decline

California's table olive acreage continues to decline. Even though olive production increased this year over 2020, California's 12,800 total acres of olives in 2021 amounted to less than one-third of the state's olive acreage in 2011. The decline continues as one of California's top olive processers – Bell-Carter Foods – is embroiled in a bitter legal fight with a Spanish company that was once a major business partner.

### Farmers, Employees Protest 'Card Check' Union Organizing Bill

A contingent of farmers and farm employees gathered at the California state Capitol last week to urge Gov. Gavin Newsom to veto legislation that would allow a unionorganizing system known as "card check." Assembly Bill 616, now on the governor's desk, would allow alternatives to secretballot elections for forming unions. The California Farm Bureau urges preserving the secret ballot. It says allowing organizers to instead collect signatures from employees may lead to coercion and intimidation.

### More Than 1 in 10 Households Faced Food Insecurity Last Year

A new report says more than one of every 10 U.S. households experienced food insecurity in 2020. That means they had trouble providing sufficient food for family members due to a lack of resources. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service, food insecurity is increasing in homes with children and - particularly - in households in which a homeowner or renter was unemployed.

# California's 'Corridor of **Corruption' Yields New Case**



By Dan Walters **CALMatters** 

Six years ago, the HBO network aired an episode of "True Detective," an anthology of complicated crime

It was set in the fictional Southern California city of Vinci, a cesspool of corruption and crime obviously based on Vernon, once described as "the most corrupt five square miles in a decade ago. California."

In addition to fictionalizing Vernon's sordid history, the episode folded in California's bullet train project, but it was deservedly flailed by critics as incoherent.

is not an isolated example. The southeastern quadrant rife with municipal malfeasance, and was once dubbed a "corridor of corruption" by state Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon. Numerous local officials have been charged with bribery, self-dealing and other transgressions.

attorney charged four men, including former state Sen. Frank Hill, with stealing \$20 million that the City of Industry advanced to a company called San Gabriel Valley Water and

materialized.

The case stems from a battle among several cities for control of a 2,500-acre cattle ranch called Tres Hermanos in the Chino Hills, which was to have been the project's site.

Hill, a Republican who was snared in a federal investigation of Capitol corruption three decades ago and spent four years in prison, was a consultant on the project. Others facing charges are William Barkett, owner of San Gabriel Valley Water and Power, attorney Anthony Bouza, and former Industry City Manager Paul Philips, now city manager of Bell, the scene of another corruption scandal

Philips and Bouza allegedly handled the funds, which between 2016 and 2018 were routed to an account controlled by Barkett, according to the district attorney's office.

"While some of the Vernon, unfortunately, money was paid to other vendors, Barkett is accused of spending about \$8.3 milof Los Angeles County is lion on personal items. He also allegedly falsified or altered invoices to inflate the amount," the DA's office said.

Barkett is no stranger to questionable financial dealings. As I wrote about the Tres Hermanos squabble nine months ago, "In Last week, the Los 1993, federal authorities Angeles County district unsealed an indictment of him and eight other persons involved in what was described as a penny stock scheme aimed at defrauding elderly retirees.

"Two years later, the charges were dismissed Power LLC for a solar by a judge, who cited California newspapers. ★

power project that never unreasonable pre-trial delays by prosecutors. A decade later, Credit Suisse, an international banking company, accused Barkett of misappropriating millions of dollars he had borrowed to launch a large farming operation in the San Joaquin Valley. The suit was later dropped after a confidential settlement."

Barkett is the scion of a politically powerful Stockton family and in the interest of full disclosure, the head of the family sued me and the Sacramento Union for libel four decades ago after I wrote a column about his influence. We were exonerated by a San Joaquin County jury.

The City of Industry is also no stranger to corruption allegations. In 2009 the Los Angeles Times probed the city's insular structure, revealing, as it noted last week, that "for years, the city government was headed by former Mayor Dave Perez, who owned trashhauling and maintenance companies that racked up millions of dollars a year in contracts with the city..."

"An audit years later by KPMG found that Perez's companies had made a fortune off the city, with contracts valued at more than \$326 million," the Times reported.

Once again, the corridor of corruption yields a case of insider dealing, but it's not the first and won't be the last. The corridor's surface has barely been scratched.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for



# **LOCAL FISHING**

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# SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

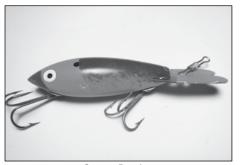
Pot Luck boats in Berkeley Flats; charter fee now \$200.00. Small halibuts and stripers. Use: Anchovy Cut Bait. (a) Delta; stripers scattered and bite slowing down on both Sacramento and San Joaquin River deltas. Use: Rattletraps. (gg)

# **COASTAL WATERS**

Pt. Sur; vermillion and lingcod limits, ditto with Golden Gate to Farallon Islands. Use: Anchovy Cut Bait. (b)

## LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS

Berryessa Lake; follow the shad in creek beds, 45'-60' deep. Use: Orange Bomber. (b)



**Orange Bomber** 

Eagle Lake; top-lining lead core to 14-ft. Eagle Lake strain trout taking... Use: 1 1/2 "Firetiger. (a)

Clear Lake; Bass Derby. 140 boats

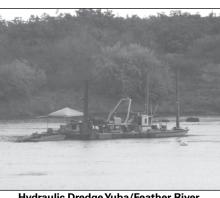
using only two ramps. (crowded). First day 21 + bass individual weigh-in. Use: secret. Sacramento River, Miller Park; back-trolling downriver, 4-salmon on and 2 landed. 15-18lbs. Use; Silvertron w/ dropper weight. (g) Butte City/ Ord Bend; water 55 degrees, fishing spotty. 25-lb chromie. Use: Cut Plug w/ Fish Oil . (g)

# **EASTERN SIERRA WATERS**

June Lake Loop, Grant Lake; a little smoke lingers. Trout like...Elk Hair Caddis . (b) Bridgeport, E. Walker River; water 61-62 degrees. Fish only from dawn to 10:00AM then stop. Use: Golden Stone

## SEDIMENT REMOVAL PROJECT **Update**

The hydraulic dredge is still mucking around at the Yuba/Feather confluence. And the five tree stumps have



Hydraulic Dredge Yuba/Feather River

been removed.

# FEATHER RIVER CONDITIONS

Sept 19, 2021 Stage: 27.2 Flow: 1692 CFS Oro Dam Water Level: 655 ft (rising) ~ Brownie





# This Is Not about Freedom or Personal Choice



Commentary by Jane M. Orient, M.D.

Today we have two contrasting quotations from world leaders. One said: "Mandatory vaccinations will never be allowed because [this] is a free country and its people are sovereign." The other said: "This is not about freedom or personal choice."

The first was by Vladimir Putin. Russia. a free country! The second was by Joe Biden. The U.S. is no longer a free country, and the people are not sovereign. Nor are the once-sovereign states. If state governors won't cooperate with him, "I'll use my power as president to get them out of the way." It is not clear exactly how he would accomplish that. Invade the state and occupy its capitol and its courts? Arrest the governor and perhaps the legislature and throw them into prison without bail like some January 6 demonstrators? Already, many states are suing – perhaps we will learn whether the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution has any meaning.

Who would have believed that a U.S. President would ever say such things?

Biden claims jurisdiction over 17 million healthcare workers, especially if they work in a culture" immunity, which facility that gets fund- like monoculture agriing from Medicare or Medicaid. "If you're vulnerable if a resistant seeking care at a health facility, you should be able to know that the people treating you are vaccinated - simple, straightforward, period."

alternative may be havto care for you. Never mind if the unvaccinated worker, who cared for people before there were vaccines, got infected, recovered, and now has

better immunity than

mind that workers with 20 years of dedicated service will have their careers and their livelihoods ruined if they don't obey the dictator. Never mind that some of the obedient servants die just coincidentally? - a few days after the shot. Or that some experience heart damage or paralysis. The government with its sovereign immunity does not have to compensate them, and neither do the vaccine makers or administrators, who are protected under the mantle of government.

"This is a pandemic of the unvaccinated," states Biden. This nonevidence-based assertion is false. The most vaccinated countries in the world, including Israel and Gibraltar, are having the worst outbreaks. Both vaccinated and nonvaccinated persons shed virus, get hospitalized, and die. In the UK, a majority of the COVID-19 deaths last month were among vaccinated people, with a death rate dramatically higher than a year ago, when there was no vaccine.

Why, besides vaccine failure, would public health officials be pushing for continued masking, distancing, and a "booster" injection a few months after a person is "fully vaccinated"?

Can we blame it on the Delta variant? Did unvaccinated persons make it? Or did the vaccine, with its narrowly targeted immunity, actually select out this variant, creating or worsening the problem? Dr. Robert Malone, an inventor of mRNA vaccines, talks about "escape mutants." Could we be creating a "monoculture, is disastrously pathogen comes along?

Not content with owning the bodies of healthcare workers and federal employees and contractors, Biden and a staff physician Never mind if the appeals to the private sector, such as employers Administration Hospital. ing no qualified person of 100 or more persons, She is the editor of AAPS to exert his will on other News, the Doctors for Americans. "To those of Disaster Preparedness you running large entertainment venues from sports arenas to concert venues to movie theaters,

vaccinated people. Never vaccinated or show a negative test as a condition of entry.'

> To "protect" children under the age of 12, who are at very low risk, Biden wants everybody around them to get the vax—teenage siblings, parents, caregivers. Children over 12, that magic threshold, should get vaccinated, Biden says, and he "strongly supports independent scientific review for vaccine uses for children under 12." He adds: "We can't take shortcuts of that scientific work." So far, the scientific process has been anything but independent. Moreover, studies are not scheduled to be complete before the end of 2022, and studies on myocarditis, to which teenage boys may be most vulnerable, until 2027. Any shortcutting there? And how long would fertility effects take to show up in a child who is 11 when vaccinated?

> The satirical Babylon Bee has dubbed the program: "Your body, my choice." Are you pregnant, worried about a miscarriage? Hoping to be pregnant? Aspiring to an athletic career? Do you have a history of allergies, but have not yet had anaphylactic shock from polyethylene glycol (PEG) or Polysorb 80?

The choice of what risks you have to take will be Biden's. But the consequences will be all yours.

Jane M. Orient, M.D. obtained her undergraduate degrees in chemistry and mathematics from the University of Arizona in Tucson, and her M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1974. She completed an internal medicine residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital and University of Arizona Affiliated Hospitals and then became an Instructor at the University of Arizona College of Medicine at the Tucson Veterans Newsletter, and Civil Defense Perspectives, and is the managing editor of the Journal of American please require folks to get Physicians and Surgeons.★



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# **Prognostications for a Continued Shortage** in the Residential Housing

Not only in Nevada County mind you, but incorrectly so) the so-called shortage. Quick in many places in the country.

The high demand is contributing to what I call the "musical chairs" of homebuyers, brought about by a plethora of issues, which includes but are not limited to the Covid work-at-home craze, wild fire dangers and political refugees fleeing perceived party-saturated areas.

In a capitalistic system, there can be no ongoing shortage of anything unless the "thing" referred to is at zero quantity or close to it. Residential real estate has thousands of houses in existence in Grass Valley alone, let alone in the entire county.

So why are so many under the impression the housing shortage will continue?

Simply put, its the ignorance of how free markets operate and the subsequent failure of those responsible for setting the selling price of a home.

Capitalism functions on supply and demand, and the very nature of how capitalism works will eliminate shortages and excesses in short order. Ongoing shortages or excesses only exist through the failure of market participants to respond to what the capitalistic mechanism is telling them. Unfortunately, this failure may be costing homeowners big money in the process, and in some cases, tens of thousands of dollars.

A shortage of something means demand exceeds supply. In a free market, a shortage means sellers can raise prices until such a time a balance of supply and demand is reached and the so-called "shortage" is eliminated.

For a shortage to continue means those pricing the asset (homes) are failing to respond to what the system is telling them. Someone once asked me if I could solve the housing shortage after attending one of my real estate seminars. I answered, "yes, I could solve the shortage in one day".

The answer?

Double the price of every home in Nevada County over the listed current market value. Wha-la. Housing shortage solved.

In fact, by doubling the price, we could easily have a housing glut. Simply put, shortages in a free market means prices are too low for the demand environment. Shortages in free markets are usually corrected quickly by proper pricing. This means those setting prices are failing to respond to market conditions. They are mispricing homes too low.

Sale prices set too low in relation to demand will continue the perceived (and sales are an indicator prices could be too low.

This failure to price correctly also means sellers may not be getting top dollar for their homes and could be leaving thousands of dollars on the negotiating table.

Whereas a glut of homes means prices must drop, a shortage of homes means prices should rise. That the shortage continues means the mispricing continues. This sadly may be robbing sellers of dollars they could

I always chuckle just a bit when I hear someone rave about their realtor that sold their house in 3 days. Since recent data from realtor.com suggests the median home takes about 65 days to sell, selling times less than probably means prices are too low, and perhaps way too low. Praises that a realtor sold a house in a few days is misguided and its unfortunate for sellers they do not understand market dynamics.

The question is why would those responsible for setting selling prices continue this flawed mispricing practice despite the fact that prices may be able to be raised to meet the imbalance in demand that is causing the so-called shortage?

Either those determining sale prices do not understand free market dynamics or are purposely setting prices too low to facilitate a quick sale. Considering many responsible for setting sale prices are forecasting a continued housing shortage, I would lean more toward the former than the latter. That home sellers are perhaps missing out on much higher revenues from selling their home because of a lack of understanding, or a conflict of interest brought about by a quick sale, is unfortunate.

My suggestion is if you are selling a home, to multiply the suggested selling price by 120%. You might have to wait a little longer, and argue a bit if using a realtor, but in the case of a \$500,000.00 initial suggested price, is it worth the extra \$100,000.00 to wait a few more weeks?

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# California Invests \$1.4 Billion for Transportation Improvements Caltrans News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated more than \$1.4 billion for projects to repair and improve transportation infrastructure throughout the state. Senate Bill (SB) 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, accounts for more than half of this investment - \$884 million.

"California continues to make significant investments in fixing our roads, highways, bridges and transit systems," said Caltrans Director Toks Omishakin. "SB 1 is critical to making these repairs and upgrades, while also supporting thousands of jobs that are essential for our economy."

Projects approved include:

**Bridge Replacement Project on State** Route 162 in Glenn County: \$110.9 million bridge project will replace the Sacramento River Bridge (No. 11-0017) and viaduct approach to current standards, and reconstruct the east side roadway to conform with the new structure on SR-162 from SR-45 to east of McDougall Street near Butte City. The project was allocated almost \$98.5 million, including almost \$11.3 million in SB 1 funds.

Pavement Project on Interstate 80 in Nevada County: \$25.7 million pavement project will improve safety and ride quality by constructing auxiliary lane, upgrading Transportation Management System (TMS) elements, repairing drainage systems, upgrading facilities to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards,

and repairing 2.3-lane miles of roadway by grinding and placing Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) on I-80 from west of Donner Park Overcrossing to the SR-89/267 Separation in Truckee. The project was allocated more than \$22.8 million, including more than \$1.9 million in SB 1 funds.

**Traffic Management Project on State** Route 99 in Sacramento County: \$13.9 million traffic management project to improve communication performance for the Regional Transportation Management Center. Crews will install 14 miles of cable to improve the fiber optic communication system along SR-99 from Grant Line Road in Elk Grove to U.S. Highway 50, and on SR-51 from US-50 to south of the Fort Sutter Viaduct in Sacramento. The project was allocated \$12.1 million, including almost \$1.4 million in SB 1 funds.

Bridge Project on State Route 70 in Yuba County: \$12.2 million project to upgrade bridge rails and construct median concrete barrier on SR-70 at Feather River Boulevard Undercrossing and at South Marysville Undercrossing near Marysville. The project was allocated \$9.7 million in SB 1 funding.

SB 1 provides \$5 billion in transportation funding annually split between the state and local agencies. Road projects progress through construction phases more quickly based on the availability of SB 1 funds, including projects that are partially funded by SB 1.

For more information about other transportation projects funded by SB 1, visit RebuildingCA.ca.gov.

# **CHP Investigates Vehicle vs Pedestrian Fatality on SR65**



Yuba-Sutter California Highway Patrol

YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG) -On September 10, 2021, at approximately 11:35 pm, a 2016 Ford Fusion was traveling southbound on SR-65 north of Dry Creek Levee Road, north of the City of Wheatland. For unknown reasons,

a male pedestrian wear- The driver was detering dark clothing was walking in the roadway in a dark, unlit portion of SR-65 south of the Ford. The Ford struck the pedestrian, and the driver of the Ford immediately pulled to the right-hand shoulder of SR-65 and called 9-1-1.

First responders arrived and attempted life-saving measures, but the pedestrian succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the

The driver of the Ford remained at the scene and cooperated with the investigation by California Highway Patrol officers. mined not to be impaired by drugs or alcohol.

SR-65 was closed to all traffic for approximately two hours during the crash investigation.

The above information is preliminary, and this crash is currently under investigation by the California Highway Patrol - Yuba Sutter Area office. Any witnesses with information pertaining to the collision are asked to contact investigating Officer E. Couvrette at (530) 674-5141. For media inquiries, contact Public Information Officer B. Danielson at (530) 674-5141.

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# **Death Notices**

WATKINS - Linda Watkins, 68, of Yuba City, passed away September 14, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

FISH - Dorothy Fish, 76, of Marysville, passed away September 14, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory

**CAMARILLO** – David Camarillo, 75, of Yuba City, passed away September 16, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

HARRIS - Rodney Harris, 49, of Linda, passed away September 17, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

MCCORMICK – Crystal McCormick, 43, of Palermo, passed away September 17, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

HONECK - Helga Honeck, 86, of Yuba City, passed away September 17, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.



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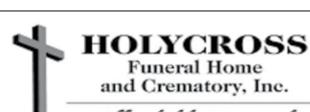
Hi my name is Chloe! I came to the shelter injured and in need of lots of care and love, well the staff here gave it to me! They bandaged me up, loved me, fed me, and nursed me back to health and now guess what!? I'm ready to be adopted! The STARS volunteers are even sponsoring my adoption fee, all that is required is that you love me and give me a great home. I am a super sweet girl, have some basic training, get along with other dogs, and have so much love to give! If you want to give



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me home and love me forever, please call Yuba County ACS at 530-741-6478 and ask to make an appointment using animal ID A190536. Can't wait to meet you!

Yuba County Animal Care Services is located at 5245 Feather River Blvd., Olivehurst. You can also go to www. petharbor.com or www. petfinder.com to see all of our adoptable animals and look for your lost family pets, or check out our Facebook page, Yuba County Animal Care Services@yubacounty-ACS.



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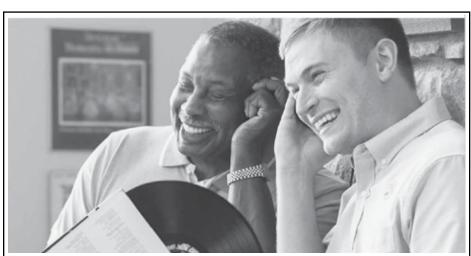
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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE** FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. CVPT21-00845 **Superior Court of California, County of Yuba** 

Petition of: FERMIN TORRES and SANDRA KARINA FIGUEROA RODRIGUEZ for Change of Name

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner FERMIN TORRES and SANDRA KARINA FIGUEROA RODRIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

### Fernando Figueroa Torres to Fernando Torres Figueroa

The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing: Date: 10/12/2021, Time: 9:30 AM, Dept.: 4

The address of the court is 215 Fifth Street, Marysville, CA 95901

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch Date: 8/31/2021

STEPHEN W. BERRIER Judge of the Superior Court

9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8/21 CNS-3510871# TERRITORIAL DISPATCH

State of Minnesota **Anoka County** 

Case Type: Juvenile

**District Court** 

Judicial District: Tenth Court File Number: 02-JV-20-333

> **Summons and Notice Child in Need of Protection or Services Matter**

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of:

Blia Vue \* Parent Za Chang \* Parent Pheng Soung \* Parent

NOTICE TO: Pheng Soung, above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s).

A Child In Need of Protection or Services Petition has been filed in the Office of the Clerk of Juvenile Court located at Anoka County Courthouse, 2100 3rd Avenue, Anoka, Minnesota 55303, alleging that the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) is/are in need of protection or services.

Notice is hereby given that the matter of said Child In Need of Protection or Services Petition will be called for hearing before the Juvenile Court located at Anoka County Courthouse, 2100 3rd Avenue, Anoka, Minnesota 55303, on 9/27/21 at 8:30 am or as soon after as the Matter can be heard.

YOU ARE ORDERED to appear before the Juvenile Court at the scheduled time and date.

You have a right to be represented by counsel.

If you fail to appear at the hearing, the Court may still conduct the hearing and grant appropriate relief, including taking permanent custody of the child/ren named in the Petition.

> WITNESS, the Honorable Karin L. McCarthy Judge of District Court BY: Lori O'Brien / Patrice **Court Administrator**

(TD) September 24, 2021

State of Minnesota **Anoka County** 

**District Court** 

Judicial District: Tenth Court File Number: 02-JV-21-55 Case Type: Juvenile

**Summons and Notice Termination of Parental Rights Matter** 

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of:

Blia Vue \* Parent Za Chang \* Parent Pheng Soung \* Parent

NOTICE TO: Pheng Soung, above-named parent(s) or legal

A Termination of Parental Rights Petition has been filed in the Office of the Clerk of Juvenile Court located at Anoka County Courthouse, 2100 3rd Avenue, Anoka, Minnesota 55303, alleging that the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) is/are in need of protection or services.

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Notice is hereby given by three weeks publication of this notice in THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH, a legal newspaper, the last publication at least ten days before the day of hearing above specified.

> WITNESS, the Honorable Karin L. McCarthy Judge of District Court BY: Lori O'Brien / Patrice **Court Administrator**

(TD) September 10, 17, 24, 2021

APN: 014-310-025-000 TS No: CA09000007-20-1 TO No: 200029615-CA-VOI NO-TICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d) (2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UN-DER A DEED OF TRUST DATED March 25, 2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PRO-CEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On October 21, 2021 at 01:30 PM, At the front entrance to the County Courthouse, 215 5th St., Marysville, CA 95901, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on March 29, 2017 as Instrument No. 2017-003614, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yuba County, California, executed by RONALD B WEBB A SINGLE MAN. AND HELEN MAXINE MATTHEWS A SINGLE WOM-AN, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE **ELECTRONIC** REGISTRATION SYSTEMS. INC., as Beneficiary, as nomifor SIERRA PACIFIC nee MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION NMLS: 1788 as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUC-TION TO THE HIGHEST BID-DER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: SEE EX-HIBIT "A" ATTACHED Exhibit "A" Portion Of Lot 13, In Block 19, As Shown Upon The Map Entitled, "Arboga Colony", On File In The Office Of The County Recorder Of The County Of Yuba, State Of California, In Book 1 Of Maps, Page 31. And More Particularly Described As Follows: Beginning At A Point On The Westerly Line Of Said Lot 13, Distant Thereon A Distance Of 322.075 Feet From The Northwesterly Corner Of Said Lot 13, Thence Easterly And Parallel With The Northerly Line Of Said Lot 13, A Distance Of 614.8 Feet; Thence

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 2021 F-238

The following person(s) is

(are) doing business as:

**Peach Tree Pharmacy** 

5730 Packard Ave, Ste. 620

Marysville, CA 95901

Yuba County

1) Peach Tree Pharmacy Inc.

8025 Pegasus St.

Roseville, CA 95747

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and correct).

Signed:

This business is conducted

The registrant commenced

(I declare that all informa-

to transact business under

the fictitious business name

or names listed above on

tion in this statement is true

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Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021

TERRY A. HANSEN.

County Clerk

**Deputy Clerk** 

By MANDY LUIS

Feet To A Point Distant 40 Feet South Of The North Line Of Said Lot 13; Thence Easterly 40 Feet From And Parallel With The Northerly Line Of Said Lot 13. A Distance Of 195 Feet; Thence Southerly And Parallel With The Westerly Line Of Said Lot 13, A Distance Of 419.15 Feet; Thence Westerly And Parallel With The Northerly Line Of Said Lot 13, A Distance Of 808.8 Feet, More Or Less, To A Point On The Westerly Line Of Said Lot 13, Distant Thereon 459.15 Feet Southerly From The Northwesterly Corner Of Said Lot 13, Thence Northerly Along The Westerly Line Of Said Lot 13 A Distance Of 137.075 Feet To The Point Of Beginning HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3093 FEATHER RIVER BLVD, ARBOGA, CA 95961 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$239.769.98 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a

# **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS**

FILE NO. 2021 F-228 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

608 D Street Marysville, CA 95901 Yuba County

Yuba City, CA 95991 This business is conducted

to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

and correct).

Signed:

Ananda K. Balakrishnan This statement was filed

with the County Clerk of Yuba on September 1, 2021, indicated by file stamp. (I Hereby Certify That This by file stamp.

TERRY A. HANSEN, **County Clerk** By BRIDGETTE EVANS **Deputy Clerk** 

## **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** FILE NO. 2021 F-244

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **NODAK Property Services** 

5188 Forest Oak Court Browns Valley, CA 95918 1) Neal Diede 5188 Forest Oak Court Browns Valley, CA 95918

Yuba County This business is conducted

by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed: **Neal Diede** 

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TERRY A. HANSEN, County Clerk By BRIDGETTE EVANS Deputy Clerk Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 2021

# NAME STATEMENT

**Beyond Handyman Services** 

1) Michael Warren Brockman II 1159 Claro Court

by an individual. The registrant commenced

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Michael Warren

**Brockman II** 

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# **Community Events**

ON THE NEXT TALKS AND TOURS Mat Archer will present "Gaslights Come to Marysville". Mat will present the history of gas and electricity in Yuba and Sutter Counties. Saturday October 2nd at 10 o'clock at the Yuba Sutter Arts and Culture Center. Light refreshment will be served. For more information about Saturdays "Talks and Tours" call Sue at 530-742-6508. A \$10 donation is gladly accepted.

> Brownsville Farmers Market is Back Every Saturday, June 19th thru September 25th. Foothill Volunteer Fire Dept, 16796 Willow Glen Rd. **Brownsville Local Produce • Artisan Products • Handmade Crafts**

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Hilltop Gang Breakfast, Second Sunday of the Month at Brownsville Community Center downstairs on Ponderosa Way. Complete breakfast, Adults \$7, children under 12 \$3.

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You may put your community event in for \$10 per month. Call 530-743-6643 to place your community event. Or come by the office at 423 4th St, Suite 1W, Marysville

# After 9/11, Some Found State Offers \$1.6 Million to Enhance **Healing by Helping**

By Adrian Barnes, JW Public Information

(MPG) - In all the smoke and chaos, Ruth Matera lost her mother and presumed she was dead.

and sister were visiting Manhattan on September 11, 2001, and staying in a hotel just a few blocks away from heard an awful scream from her mother who witnessed debris falling outside. Matera ran down the stairs to see what happened. Her mother and sister quickly followed.

into the hotel lobby from the street, many injured by the falling debris. Matera's instincts as a nurse took over, and she found some first aid supplies and began to treat the injured. "What I had been taught my whole life was to give of myself and to help other people," said Matera from Northern California.

In all the commotion, Matera and her sister were separated from their mother. She could not help but think the worst. "It was pretty traumatic at one point," Matera said. "I didn't know where she was, and I really presumed she had died." They were reunited with her mother the next day.

long been linked to better emotional well-being in needed comfort, and the best psychology research. The book "The Healing Power of hug and a Scripture." Doing Good: The Health and Spiritual Benefits of Helping Others" describes "powerful" effects, even for helpers who

have experienced trauma themselves.

Trauma was all too SACRAMENTO REGION. CA common among the many volunteers at Ground Zero. Rov Klingsporn, a Brooklynite who volunteered at Ground Zero nearly every day for two Matera, her mother, months, recalled on one occasion approaching a man who sat slouched in a golf cart near the site's makeshift morgue.

"When I asked him how the World Trade Center. She he was doing, he burst into tears," said Klingsporn, now of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. "He said, 'I'm tired of picking up body parts.""

Within days of the attacks, Jehovah's Witnesses set up People were pouring teams that spent hours each day in Lower Manhattan, Bibles in hand, consoling everyone from the families of victims to first responders battling physical and emotional exhaustion. It was a work that changed how the organization approaches disasters, with an organized comfort ministry now being an integral part of its response to natural disasters and even the pandemic.

> Recalling the gut-wrenching days he spent as one of those volunteers near the smoldering remains of the Twin Towers still stirs deep feelings in Robert Hendriks.

"It was very emotional and extremely difficult for me, but the faces of those I passed on the street said it all," said Helping others has Hendriks, now U.S. spokesman for the Witnesses. "They thing I could give them was a

> For Brown "Butch" Payne, the events of September 11, 2001, tore open old wounds, bringing back vivid wartime

memories the Vietnam veteran had tried to forget.

From his East Village apartment, Payne recalled the crowds of frantic people streaming north from Lower Manhattan. "That sight stirred up a lot of emotions in me," he said. "It shook me to the core."

Payne found relief in rendering aid the best way he knew how. "Sharing the Bible's message of hope softened the blow for me," he said.

Offering a shoulder to cry on brought Klingsporn comfort too. "It was satisfying to be of help to my community," he said.

While the events of 9/11 have understandably left their mark on Matera, she chooses to use her experience, as well as her compassion, to help others by means of her ministry work as one of Jehovah's Witnesses.

As a Bible teacher and friend to her students, she oftentimes sees the trials they face in their everyday lives. "I feel good that I can give them a little bit of relief and hope for the future," said Matera.

Payne feels the same. In 2016, after 50 years of marriage, he lost his beloved wife to cancer. On days when his grief feels overwhelming, Payne writes heartfelt letters that lift his neighbors' spirits – and his own. He shares Scriptures and resources that have helped him, like articles on coping with trauma and loss on jw.org, the official website of Jehovah's Witnesses.

"Encouraging others to look to the future helps me to do the same," he said.

# **Recreational Boating Safety Education**

California Department of Parks and Recreation

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -

The Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is now accepting grant applications from organizations that teach on-the-water boating safety education to the public. A total of \$1.6 million in grants is available to local public agencies, nonprofit organizations and colleges/universities operating within California for Aquatic Center Education Program grants. The deadline to apply is Friday, Oct. 29, 2021, at noon.

The grants are competitive and can be used to:

Purchase boating equipment and supplies; Provide student scholarships for on-the-water boating courses; Offset costs for boating instructor training; Offset costs for boating safety-related

should first review the FAQs listed on DBW's



Sailing students at grant recipient San Diego State University's Mission Bay Aquatic Center in San Diego. Photo from Mission Bay Aquatic Center.

they meet the grantee eligibility requirements. Grant applications must be submitted through OLGA, the division's online grant application system accessed online.

Each application will be ranked and scored based on its demonstration of the applicant's ability to safely and effectively teach on-Interested applicants the-water boating safety courses and enhance boaters' knowledge of boating website to determine if laws, practical handling of

vessels, weather and water conditions, and other boating safety information.

The Division of Boating and Waterways administers this grant. Funding is provided by the federal Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, which is managed by the United States Coast Guard.

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YUBA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency will conduct a public hearing on September 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereupon closeout of said grant. after, as the matter will be heard, in the Community Development and Services Agency Conference Room, located at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, California. Members of the public

### are encouraged to participate in the in person hearing, to solicit public input on the achievements and financial report of the following item: Closeout of the 21-CDBG-HK-00002 Affordable Housing Project Grant

The Community Development and Services Agency, on behalf of the County of Yuba, submitted an application to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), in response to the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) - Coronavirus Response (CDBG-CV) and/or the 20-2021 funding year, to request a funding allocation in the amount of \$7,423,250.00.

Utilizing \$6,200,000.00 of the funding allocation for the acquisition of the Travel Inn & Suites, for the conversion of 62 rooms into affordable rental units. Beneficiaries of the Affordable Housing project will be very low (30% LMI) and (50% LMI) low-income individuals in the County of Yuba. Project implementation costs of \$271.697.86, consisting of the following: site appraisal; phase 1 environmental study; feasibility analysis; property needs assessment; subrecipient and consulting fees. Grant management costs of \$15,000.00.

The County has expended \$6,486,688.22 of the CDBG funding allocation to complete the Affordable Housing Project. The County will disencumber and return \$936,561.78 of unused CDBG

## **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021 F-248

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Yuba River Ranch** 3458 Erle Rd.

Marysville, CA 95901 Yuba County 1) Ronda Applegarth 3458 Erle Rd. Marysville, CA 95901

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the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

### Signed: **Ronda Applegarth**

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grant funds to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

The purpose of this public hearing is to give community members an opportunity to evaluate the performance of this project. If you are unable to attend the meeting, written comments on any aspect of the above referenced project are invited and should be addressed to: Karma Ferguson, Community Development and Services Agency, 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901, or to the following email address kterguson@co.yuba.ca.us.

After the public meeting, the County will proceed with the submission of the Closeout documents and Annual Grantee Performance Report.

A public information file, including an Annual Performance Report and other relevant documents, is available for review between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, in the Community Development and Services Agency located at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA, 95901. Due to the ongoing pandemic, please call for appointment.

The County of Yuba promotes fair housing and employment opportunities and makes all its programs available to low- and moderate- income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preferences, marital status, or disabilities. The location of the public hearing is fully accessible to mobility-impaired individuals. If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Karma Ferguson at least 48 hours in (TD) September 24, 2021 advance of the meeting by calling (530) 749-5452.

## **NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MADELINE SMITH** Case NO. PRPB21-00129

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of ESTATE OF MADELINE SMITH.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: KIMBERLY K. TROUGHTON in the Superior Court of California. County of: Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that KIMBERLY K. TROUGHTON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: October 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marvsville, CA 95901.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objec- tions with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in sec-tion 58 (b) of the California Probate code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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- 47. Table mineral 48. \*Jennifer Aniston inspired haircut, with "the"
- 50. Bank on 52. Modern prefix
- 53. Beacon light
- 55. Oolong, e.g. 57. \*\_\_\_\_ Sese Seko, overthrown Zairian dictator
- 60. \*African National Congress leader released from prison
- 64. Like a candle? 65. \*1997's "Fly" by Sugar
- 67. Lowest point 68. Smart
- 69. Marching insect 70. Opposite of digest
- 71. \*Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan's domain 72. Employer Assisted Housing, acr.
- 73. Fender bender consequences
- 1. Crystalline hydrochloride, colloquially
- 2. Nabisco top best-seller
- 3. Refuses to 4. Bodily swelling
- 5. Not wholesale 6. Lewis of sprinting and long jumping fame
- 7. Vaccine-approving agency, acr. 8. Burger, fries and soda
- 9. Brick-drying oven 10. It's hard to resist 11. Precedes Abby
- 12. Consume, as in drugs 15. Slang for radical or cool, 2 words
- 20. America's singer choices 22. Last, abbr.
- 24. Weapon in a holster 25. Fidel Castro's smoke 26. Pleasant odor
- 27. Renaissance instrument resembling a violin
- 29. \*TV hit "Sex and the \_ 31. "Bee 32. What many TV hits have done

33. Fireplace Protocol, climate change-related international treaty 36. Hyperbolic sine

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- 38. Withered 42. COVID-19 variant
- 49. "\_\_\_\_ the Games Begin!'
  51. Pined 54. Sign of a saint, pl. 56. "Bad news travels fast," e.g.
- 57. Algeria's neighbor 58. Plow-pulling duo \*"Where It's At" singer 60. Urban story
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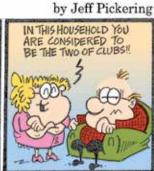




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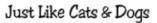


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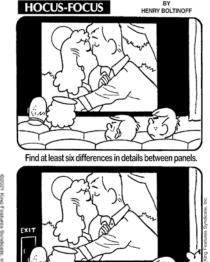


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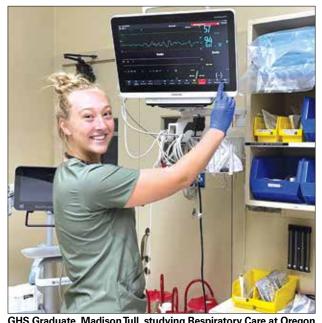
By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A milestone has been reached for the Orchard Hospital Patients Services Pathways (PSP) Program and its partner, Gridley High School: Its first graduate has officially been employed by the hospital.

The PSP Program, believed to have gotten off to a quiet start in 2018, facilitates students interested in healthcare careers by allowing them a closer look and firsthand experience in the industry through a partnership with Orchard Hospital. Orchard Hospital Emergency Room Manager, Beth Brown, says that the PSP Program was designed to help students discover "all of the modalities within healthcare that you can go into" and "interest them and excite them to be a part of healthcare when they get through school."

The Pathways Program is two-partite - the educational foundation occurring on campus at GHS, through instruction from certified instructors with medical backgrounds, college level educational materials and training using state of the art equipment, such as mannequins to practice blood draws and a new lab facility for running basic diagnostic tests - all of which is funded through grants procured by Gridley Unified School District. Students then leave the classroom for clinicals or live training and observation at Orchard Hospital, shadowing healthcare professionals in the Emergency Room, or specialists as they treat patients.

Currently, the PSP Program offers two health occupation classes, one medical terminology and nursing course. Students commit to a 3-year course at GHS when joining the PSP Program, in which they are exposed to multiple fields of practice within the realm of healthcare, helping them weed-out and narrow down their interests. The instruction, certifications, and college level course credits they receive during the PSP Program give them a head start when they graduate and move on to college level training. Lyndi Little-Wallace, Director of Marketing and Community Outreach says Orchard's program is "really advanced. I feel like we have amazing pathways to help kids decide right away "What do you want to do?" and get your feet wet. Try it and if



GHS Graduate, Madison Tull, studying Respiratory Care at Oregon Tech, is seen here working at Orchard Hospital after participating in its Pathways Program. Photo provided by Orchard Hospital

you don't like it, you learned hear them come in with their in high school" and have the opportunity to move forward with less time spent determining the course of your future.

A recent graduate of GHS and part of the PSP program, Madison Tull is a testament to the PSP programs success and echoes Little-Wallace's sentiments. Tull, who currently attends Oregon Tech and is majoring in Respiratory Care, attributes her positive transition and advanced placement in her college program, to the PSP Program. She shares that when first investigating careers in the medical field, she felt she would be limited to nursing. While participating in the PSP Program, she shadowed a Respiratory Therapist and immediately recognized it as her calling. Her training in the PSP program shaved almost a year off her college programs prerequisite courses, putting her on the fast track to her degree in Respiratory Care and giving her solid confidence in her career choice. In addition, she has already benefitted from her training through the program as it allowed Tull to work at Orchard Hospital as an Emergency Room Clerk during the summer before returning to Oregon Tech in the fall.

Being able to experience first-hand, what it is like to work in a rural hospital's Emergency Room, Tull says she has gained a perspective only made possible through the PSP Program and Orchard Hospital. Working in a smaller hospital has allowed her to see how intimately the healthcare team operates ing as a true testament of together for ultimate patient the successful nature of the care. "I really enjoy getting to PSP Program.

cases and bounce ideas off each other," she says about conversations had between specialists, nurses, and doctors in the E.R. "It's like a whole new type of environment that I never knew really existed," she says compared to some of the larger hospitals she has had attended for clinicals. It has made her reconsider working for a large hospital and opened her eyes to the benefits of working in a smaller hospital, such as Orchard.

As one, if not the largest, employers in Gridley, Orchard Hospital understands the connection between the community it serves, the people it employs and how it all fits into the small-town dynamic. People grow up here and if they stay, will eventually need employment. What better way to support the community other than providing quality healthcare, than to offer training and education to our youth that gives them a leg-up on the competition, shortens college level training, and promotes jobs within our own community, all the while illustrating the benefit and necessity of rural hospitals.

While Orchard is not officially considered a teaching hospital, Brown says that it now has college level students attending and observing the clinical side of the program from Cambridge College, Butte and Yuba Colleges, along with GHS students as the PSP Program gains more momentum. "I love this program" says Brown, with Tull agreeing and stand-

# of wildfires in California

Special IRS Notice

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - Victims of wildfires that began July 14, 2021 now have until Nov. 15, 2021, to file various individual and business tax returns and make tax payments, the Internal Revenue Service announced today.

Following the recent disaster declaration issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the IRS announced today that affected taxpayers in certain areas will receive tax relief.

Individuals and households affected by wildfires that reside or have a business in Lassen, Nevada, Placer, and Plumas counties qualify for tax relief. The declaration permits the IRS to postpone certain tax-filing and tax-payment deadlines for taxpayers who reside or have a business in the disaster area. For instance, certain deadlines falling on or after July 14, 2021, and before Nov. 15, 2021, are postponed through Nov. 15, 2021

This means that individuals who had a valid extension to file their 2020 returns, due to run out on Oct. 15, will now have until Nov. 15, 2021 to file.

The Nov. 15, 2021, deadline applies to the quarterly estimated tax payment, normally due on Sept. 15. It also applies to the quarterly payroll and excise tax returns normally due on Aug. 2, 2021. Also penalties on deposits due on or after July 14, 2021, and before July 29, 2021, will be the official IRS website, IRS.gov.

abated as long as the tax deposits were made by July 29, 2021

If an affected taxpayer receives a late filing or late payment penalty notice from the IRS that has an original or extended filing, payment or deposit due date that falls within the postponement period, the taxpayer should call the telephone number on the notice to have the IRS abate the penalty. For information on services currently available, visit the IRS operations and services page at IRS.gov/Coronavirus.

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