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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT WILL BE CLOSED ONE DAY PER MONTH

The California judicial branch is facing severe budget reductions due to the statewide financial crisis. In response to this crisis, last week the California Judicial Council approved the closure of all state courts on the third Wednesday of each month, from September 2009 through June 2010. This approval came after the court closures were approved by the Governor and Legislature as part of budget trailer bill (Senate Bill X4 13) to the 2009–2010 Budget Act. **The first court closure is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, September 16, 2009.**

In preparation for court closures in San Joaquin County, which includes branches in Stockton, Lodi, Tracy, Manteca and French Camp, people who have court matters scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2009, will receive a letter from the court indicating a new date for their appearance. Clerk's offices, juror services, self-help services, and courtrooms will be closed.

The following is a list of the third Wednesday of each month the Court will be closed through June 2010.

September 16, 2009	February 17, 2010
October 21, 2009	March 17, 2010
November 18, 2009	April 21, 2010
December 16, 2009	May 19, 2010
January 20, 2010	June 16, 2010

San Joaquin County Superior Court has also shortened its regular business hours. Effective Monday, August 3, 2009, the Clerk's offices at all Superior Court branches within San Joaquin County are open to the public from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Phone hours are from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. This reduction of office hours is the result of California's financial crisis and increasing demands on our case processing resources during this economic downturn. Court employees are being furloughed one day per month. Business hours have been shortened to give staff additional uninterrupted time to process case filings; staff time that will be lost as a result of furloughs.

Drop boxes are available outside the Clerk's offices at all court locations. Documents placed in the boxes by 5:00 P.M. will be deemed deposited for filing that same business day.

Regular business and phone hours for the Stockton Jury Assembly Room will not change. The Assembly Room is open from 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and phone hours are from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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