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What the 2007 May Revision Means for Colusa County

The Governor's 2007 May Revision - which modifies his 2007-08 budget proposal - maintains his commitment to aggressively pay down debt, restrain spending and build the state's reserve while fully funding education and maintaining California's public safety, environmental and health care priorities. The May Revision achieves these goals without raising taxes, and maintains some of the nation's highest funding to support vulnerable populations. Governor Schwarzenegger's May Revision helps insure California against economic slowdowns, keeps the state's fiscal house in order and prepares California for the future with record funding for education.

In This Fact Sheet:
This fact sheet provides county funding allocations for and descriptions of some of the most important programs contained in the Governor's May Revision. Some programs cannot be regionalized until funding allocations are finalized throughout the year. All figures below are specific to Colusa County unless otherwise noted.

Budget Summary	
Health Care	
• Child Support Services Program	$126,824,784 (Northern California Region*)
• Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	$16,768,365 (Northern California Region*)
• Cooperative Programs (Transition Skills Training)	$8,896,366 (Northern California Region*)
• Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Community Services and Supports	$54,811,800 (Northern California Region*)
• Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Housing Program	$46,664,000 (Northern California Region*)
• Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Workforce Training and Education	$11,575,200 (Northern California Region*)
• Emergency Preparedness Funding	$17,988,303 (Northern California Region*)
• HIV Education and Prevention	$2,146,916 (Northern California Region*)
• CDIC/Tobacco Control Program	$4,039,877 (Northern California Region*)
• CDIC/California Nutrition Network in the Cancer Prevention & Nutrition Section	$8,353,451 (Northern California Region*)
• DCDC--Immunization Branch	$3,062,553 (Northern California Region*)
Public Safety	
• Anti-Drug Abuse Program	$111,434
• Vertical Prosecution Block Grant Program	$117,345
• Victim/Witness Assistance Program	$78,296
Education	*Pending*
Business, Transportation and Housing	
• CalTrans	$5,000,000
• State Transit Assistance (STA)	$70,000
• State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)	$729,000
• Total DOT Bonds	$2,196,000
• Total Non-DOT Bonds	$2,407,000
• California Highway Patrol (CHP)	(Statewide) $24,563,326
• Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)	$426,812
Resource Projects	
• Integrated Regional Water Management	*Pending*

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Veterans Services	
• County Veterans Service Office Subvention	$9,297
Environmental Protections	
• Carl Moyer Program	$204,630
• Mill Assessment Funds	$222,168
• Local Enforcement Agency	$16,252
Department of Agriculture – Statewide Benefit	
• Med-Fly Preventative Release Program	(Statewide) $658,000
• Vehicle Inspection Program	(Statewide) $407,000
State and Consumer Services – Statewide Benefit	
• iLicensing System	(Statewide) $1,300,000
• Bureau of Automotive Repair	(Statewide) $7,500,000
• Tax Gap Enforcement	(Statewide) $19,600,000
• Green Building Action Plan Resources	(Statewide) $3,400,000

***** The Northern California Region includes: Del Norte, Siskiyou, Modoc, Humboldt, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Mendocino, Tehama, Plumas, Lake, Colusa, Glenn, Butte, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Yolo, Sutter, Sacramento, Alpine, El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra.

Program Descriptions

Health Care

The Governor's May Revision maintains a strong and responsible safety net for California's most vulnerable residents, continues the reform proposals and initiatives included in the Governor's January Budget Proposal, and increases investments in targeted areas to improve the health and safety of Californians. In doing so, the May Revision strikes a reasonable and responsible balance between the need to provide essential services while managing and controlling program growth and costs.

The following funding allocations will benefit the Northern California Region including Colusa County:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
Provides financial assistance to low-income persons to offset the costs of heating and/or cooling dwellings, and provides installation of weatherization measures that increase the energy efficiency of dwellings occupied by low-income persons.

Freeze Emergency Food Bank Funding
Funding provided to freeze disaster counties for food bank supplies and equipment.

Child Support Services
Local Child Support Agencies provide services for the collection of child support payments including establishing paternity, obtaining child and medical support orders, locating parents, enforcing child and spousal support orders, and collecting and distributing child support

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Community Services and Supports
Provides funding for services to individuals with serious emotional disturbance and serious mental illness.

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Housing Program
New housing program jointly run by the Department of Mental Health and the California Housing and Finance Agency under which $75 million in MHSA funds will be allocated each year to finance the capital costs associated with the development, acquisition, construction and/or rehabilitation of permanent supportive housing for individuals with mental illness and their families.

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Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) - Workforce Training and Education
Dedicated funding to remedy shortage of qualified workforce. Expands outreach to multi-cultural communities, increases diversity of workforce, and promotes web-based technologies and distance learning.

Cooperative Programs (Transition Skills Training)
The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) works with local education agencies, state and community colleges and universities, county mental health and welfare agencies to develop cooperative program agreements to provide vocational rehabilitation services to individuals mutually served by DOR and its partner agencies. Services provided include vocational planning and assessment, employment skills training, job placement and other services necessary to assist individuals with significant disabilities in reaching their employment goals.

Emergency Preparedness Funding
Emergency preparedness funding allows local health departments to improve their capacity to respond to emergencies such as biological, chemical and radiological terrorist attacks, infectious disease epidemics and acute mass casualty events.

HIV Education Prevention Fund
Focuses on preventing HIV transmission, promoting the development of risk reduction skills and changing attitudes and norms that may sanction unsafe sexual and drug-taking behaviors.

CDIC/Tobacco Control Program
Tobacco Control Program Competitive Grants help local communities combat the illegal sale of tobacco to minors and are a key component in California's comprehensive approach to reducing tobacco use throughout the state.

CDIC/California Nutrition Network in the Cancer Prevention & Nutrition Section
Nutrition education & physical activity promotion that targets food stamp-eligible and other low income Californians.

DCDC--Immunization Branch
Provides local assistance to health departments for immunization services.

Public Safety
Protecting the children and citizens California is an essential responsibility of state government. Governor Schwarzenegger has fought to support local law enforcement, toughen penalties on sex offenders, crack down on child and domestic abuse, strengthen homeland security, and to increase punishment for gang-related crimes. The May Revision proposes significant changes regarding state prison and local jail capacity issues, the collection of fines and fees, and the targeting of gangs.

The following funding allocations will benefit Colusa County:

Anti-Drug Abuse Program
This program supports Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Forces (MJDTF) in each of California's 58 counties to combat manufacturing, distribution, and sales of narcotics and dangerous drugs. The MJTDF integrates Federal, State, and/or local law enforcement agencies and prosecutors for the purpose of enhancing interagency coordination and intelligence in the facilitation of multi-jurisdictional investigations.

Vertical Prosecution Block Grant Program
Vertical prosecution is a proven program model, which involves the use of highly experienced and skilled prosecutors who prosecute a reduced caseload of specific types of serious criminal cases from the filing of the case through sentencing.

Victim/Witness Assistance Program

The Victim/Witness Assistance Program helps victims and witnesses of all types of crime by maintaining local centers that provide comprehensive assistance, including all legislatively mandated services, as required in California Penal Code §13835 et seq. Victim/Witness Assistance (V/W) Centers are in place in every county in the state with 44 projects in District Attorneys' offices, eight in probation departments, four in community-based organizations, one in a county office, and one in a county sheriff's office.

Education

Governor Schwarzenegger continues to demonstrate his commitment to education in California in the May Revise. Since taking office, the Governor has increased spending on K-12 education and community colleges by 21 percent and per-pupil spending is at an all-time record. The May Revise includes several ongoing and new education initiatives that are intended to address the shortage of teachers in critical areas, expand career technical education (CTE) and make school information more accessible to parents. School districts and county offices of education are encouraged to apply for these funds so that they have the financial resources to increase opportunities for student success.

Business, Transportation and Housing

The Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency includes programs that: plan, build, and maintain California's state transportation systems; ensure efficient and fair markets for the real estate industry, health care plans, and certain financial businesses; and help communities expand the availability of affordable housing. Agency programs help finance the state's infrastructure, small business expansion, and economic development by encouraging and promoting economic activity and investment within the state.

The following funding allocations will benefit Colusa County:

CalTrans

CalTrans statewide aggregate funding allocated to cities, counties and districts totals $7.497 billion this year. This includes funding for the following programs:

- State Transit Assistance (STA) -- These funds are appropriated to the State Controller and allocated directly to local transportation planning agencies.

- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) -- A capital improvement program of transportation projects on and off the State Highway System. These projects increase capacity and are funded from highway user taxes, including state and federal fuel excise taxes, weight fees, as well as a portion of the Proposition 42 revenues from the sales tax on motor vehicle fuel.

Department of Transportation Bond Funds

DOT bond funding estimates include funds from DOT-administered accounts created by the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. County distribution is primarily based on STIP county share formula with the exception of Corridor Mobility Improvement Account and Route 99 funds, which are based on 2007-08 program allocation schedules, and SHOPP bond funds, which are based on 2007-08 SHOPP allocation capacity. The $187 million total for intercity rail is included in the "District HQ Total."

Non-Department of Transportation Bond Funds

Non-DOT bond funding estimates include: Local Streets & Roads funding distributed by actual transfers of local Proposition 42 from 2005-06; Transit funding distributed by formula from the 2007-08 Governor's Budget and PUC 99313 and 99314; and School Bus Retrofit funding distributed by county share formula.

California Highway Patrol (CHP)

The Governor's Budget allows the CHP to increase staffing levels and strengthen proactive patrols that deter violations, enhance security and reduce response times. Funding will be allocated to individual counties throughout the year, specifically over $24.5 million in OTS grant funding to be distributed in October of 2007.

Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)
The mission of the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is to expand and preserve safe and affordable housing opportunities and promote strong communities for all Californians. The HCD: (1) administers housing finance, economic development and community development programs; (2) develops housing policy and advocates for an adequate housing supply; and (3) develops building codes and regulates manufactured homes and mobilehome parks. The HCD also provides technical and financial assistance to local agencies to support housing development. These funds support programs such as the Self-Help Housing Fund, the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Fund, the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund and the Emergency Housing and Assistance Fund.

Resources Projects
Resources Agency programs protect and restore California's natural resources for current and future generations. Included among the state's diverse attributes are stunning coastlines and lakes, spectacular forests, vast fish and wildlife habitats, rich farmlands, and extensive mineral resources. Agency programs also protect the public by suppressing wildfires, constructing river levees, and permitting safe power plants. These programs not only contribute to the state's unique quality of life, they are critical to sustaining a vibrant economy.

The Governor's May Revision provides $6.4 billion and more than 16,000 positions to protect and manage California's natural resources in 2007-08.

Integrated Regional Water Management
Provides grants on a competitive basis within each identified hydrologic region or sub-region.

Homeland Security -- Los Angeles, Bay Area and Delta Region
The Administration is committed to mitigating the effects of emergencies and disasters on the people of California and protecting its citizens from man-made disasters. The following funding allocations will be provided primarily to the Bay Area and Southern California regions but will benefit the entire state through increased public safety from disasters.

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)
The UASI program allocates federal funds to urban areas deemed to be a higher risk for terrorist activity. San Francisco, Alameda and Santa Clara Counties encompass this UASI region and will be awarded funds later this year to invest in critical homeland security programs.

Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
The federal government awards homeland security funds to California based on both a formulaic and competitive basis. 80% of the funds that are awarded to California in this program are allocated to counties based largely on population.

Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)
The TSGP provides grant funding to the nation's key high-threat urban areas to enhance security measure for their critical transit infrastructure including bus, rail and ferry systems.

Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)
The PSGP provides funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. These funds assist ports in increasing their capabilities to prevent, detect, deter, respond to and recover from terrorist attacks involving IEDs and other non-conventional weapons. These funds are awarded to the Ports of San Francisco, Oakland, Richmond, Stockton, Los Angeles and Long Beach.

Veteran's Services

County Veterans Service Office Subvention
Collectively, the County Veterans Service Offices, through claims initiation and development, provide assistance to veterans and their dependents in preparing and submitting claims and in representing claimants before government agencies providing veterans benefits.

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Environmental Protections

The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) administers the state's environmental protection programs, which focus on restoring, preserving, and enhancing California's environmental quality and protecting public health. The Governor's May Revision includes $1.7 billion ($85.8 million General Fund and $1.6 billion other funds) for Cal/EPA. Agency funding supports efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change, promote clean alternative fuels, improve water quality, reduce risk from pesticides and hazardous chemicals, and encourage the reuse of recyclable materials and brownfield sites.

The following funding allocations will benefit Colusa County:

Mill Assessment Funds

California assesses a fee on all pesticide sales, levied at the point of first sale into the state. Mill assessment revenues are placed in a special fund used to support the State's pesticide regulatory program.

Local Enforcement Agency

Provides grant funds, based on population and solid waste facilities, to local enforcement agencies to assist in their solid waste facilities permit and inspection programs. Funding information for FY 2007/08 is not currently available, as the grant awards are calculated based on population data provided by DOF, as well as number of active, permitted solid waste facilities located within the jurisdiction.

Agriculture

The Governor's May Revision includes $294.5 million for the Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) which supports objectives including: serving the diverse citizenry of California by maintaining an abundant, affordable, safe, and nutritious food supply; providing leadership, innovation, and oversight over the production and marketing of agricultural products; preventing or eradicating plant and animal diseases and exotic and invasive species harmful to people, commerce, and the environment; developing and enforcing weights and measures standards for all types of products at all levels of commerce; and, supporting fairs and expositions in the state for their societal and economic service values.

The following funding allocations will have a statewide impact and benefit all counties:

Preventative Release Program

The Governor's May Revision includes $658,000 General Fund allocated statewide to purchase and implement a tower system for rearing Mediterranean Fruit Fly (Medfly) and other fruit flies for the Preventive Release Program (PRP).

Vehicle Inspection Program

The May Revision includes $407,000 and 5.0 positions to continue the All Vehicle Inspection Pilot Program located at the Inspection Station in Needles, California for a second year.

State and Consumer Services

The State and Consumer Services Agency's (SCSA) mission is to help educate consumers and make government more efficient, effective, and accountable for all California taxpayers. The Governor's May Revision proposes $24.9 billion ($574.9 million General Fund) for the various entities within the SCSA. This represents an increase of $1.7 billion from the revised 2006-07 Budget.

The following programs will have a statewide impact and benefit all counties:

iLicensing System

The 2006-07 Budget includes $1.3 million (various special funds) to establish an iLicensing System that will make online data available to licensees and applicants of all programs overseen by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA). Consumers will have greater access to up-to-date licensee status information and businesses and licensees will be able to conduct more business online. By conducting more business online, processing and approval will be expedited, thereby serving consumers faster.

Bureau of Automotive Repair

The 2006-07 Budget includes $7.5 million (various special funds) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair to support two consumer assistance programs: the Smog Check Repair Assistance Program and the Vehicle Retirement Program. The May Revision also includes $12.3 million (various special funds) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair to implement a visible smoke test into the Smog Check Program by January 1, 2008, and to increase the vehicle retirement payment to specified consumers.

Tax Gap Enforcement

The Governor's May Revision proposes $19.6 million for various efforts to close the state's estimated $6.5 billion tax gap. The existing programs concentrate on detecting non filers and filers of fraudulent returns and on audit and collections activities. The Franchise Tax Board estimates these programs will generate $64.7 million in revenues in 2007-08, and $68.5 million in revenues in 2008-09.

Green Building Action Plan Resources

The Governor's May Revision includes $3.4 million (Service Revolving Fund) to implement required energy savings programs and projects as specified in the Governor's Executive Order S-20-04 and the accompanying Green Building Action Plan.