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ANNUAL VALUATION NOTICES AVAILABLE VIA INTERNET ONLY

Stanislaus County - Stanislaus County Assessor, David E. Cogdill Sr., announced today that in an effort to improve efficiency and conserve scarce resources, his office will no longer be mailing out annual valuation notices. Effective July 1, 2011, this information will be available on the Assessor's website, www.stancounty.com/assessor. Taxpayers will be able to search both by parcel number and by situs address. Those individuals that do not have access to a computer may come into the office at 1010 10th Street, Suite 2400, Modesto and use the computer terminals that are available to the public.

The information available on the Assessor's website will include the property location, assessed values, appeal deadlines and stipulation information. The assessed values are determined as of lien date, January 1 each year. This information will also be included on the property tax bill that all real property owners receive in September. The deadline for filing an Application for Changed Assessment (Assessment Appeal) is November 30th.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 619 allows the Assessor, with approval of the Board of Supervisors, to notify property owners of their annual value by posting the information on the Assessor's website.

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The Board of Supervisors approved this change on April 26, 2011. The annual estimated cost savings for this process change is \$25,000 for the Assessor's annual 2011-2012 Budget Year. The process change will also reduce future year's costs. Cost savings will be realized with decreased costs for supplies, postage and staff time.

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