



COUNTY BUDGET UPDATE November 2009

Modified Budget Balancing Plan

County Manager David Boesch met with individual Department Heads during November to further discuss their submitted budget reduction scenario plans. Based on feedback from Department Heads and senior managers from the October 26 management retreat, a modified budget balancing plan was prepared and presented to a Steering Committee and Executive Council at its November 30 meeting. The plan calls for an accelerated timeframe as well as a balanced approach that includes (1) managed use of reserves (2) program reductions and multi-departmental savings (3) labor cost savings and (4) new revenues to eliminate the \$100 million structural deficit by Fiscal Year 2013. The plan was shared with employee organizations at the December monthly budget meeting.

LAO Projecting \$20.7 Billion State Budget Deficit through FY 2010-11

The Legislative Analyst's forecast of California's General Fund revenues and expenditures shows that the state must address a General Fund budget problem of \$20.7 billion between now and the time the Legislature enacts a 2010–11 state budget plan. The budget problem consists of a \$6.3 billion projected deficit for 2009–10 and a \$14.4 billion gap between projected revenues and spending in 2010–11. Addressing this large shortfall will require painful choices—on top of the difficult choices the Legislature made earlier this year. Go to www.lao.ca.gov to see report.

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