

Good afternoon,

The Kern County Board of Supervisors met today as scheduled for Tuesday's March 9, 2021 Board Meeting. Chairman Phillip Peters (District 1), Supervisor Zack Scrivner (District 2), Supervisor Mike Maggard (District 3), Supervisor David Couch (District 4), and Supervisor Leticia Perez (District 5) attended in-person. Each member followed all COVID-19 safety protocols, including social distancing and the wearing of face coverings.

Meeting Highlights:

- **Item No. 2 AM session:**
 - The Board proclaimed October 1, 2020 as the 50th Anniversary of California State University Bakersfield, in recognition of the university's first day of classes on October 1, 1970.
- **Item No. 9 AM session:**
 - Public Health Director Brynn Carrigan updated the Board on Kern County's current standing regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic and local vaccination distribution.
 - Watch the announcement here: <https://youtu.be/13jEgcHOKYc>
- **Item No. 28 AM session:**
 - The Board voted to approve a retroactive agreement with Kern Medical for the delivery and administration of COVID-19 vaccinations **exclusively** to agricultural workers throughout the County using two mobile vaccination clinics from March 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000.
 - The County has consulted with the United Farm Workers, California Farmworker Foundation, Dolores Huerta Foundation, Cesar Chavez Foundation, and Kern County Farm Bureau to ensure these units are convenient and accessible to Kern County agricultural workers.
 - One mobile unit will launch this Friday, March 12, 2021, at Johnson Farm to distribute a planned couple hundred doses to their employees. Saturday and Sunday, the mobile unit will be located at the 40 acre-site in Delano with a planned 1,000 doses to be administered over those two days. These sites are being led by UFW and the Cesar Chavez Foundation. Both the Kern County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Kern County Farm Bureau are working on scheduling for Monday and Tuesday's clinics. The second mobile unit will be delivered in two weeks.
- **Item No. 29 AM session:**
 - Kern County Chief Administrative Officer Ryan Alsop presented to the Board a proposed Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 Budget Preparation Guideline.
 - Watch the presentation here: <https://youtu.be/13jEgcHOKYc>
- **Item No. 34 AM session:**
 - The Board voted to approve a new County position titled Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
 - Recruiting for this position will open March 15, 2021.
- **Regular PM Meeting:**
 - All items were on consent. Nothing to report.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.