

Calaveras agendas to be posted later

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SAN ANDREAS - Calaveras County residents won't get quite as much lead time to review agendas for the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors, and some government watchdogs are objecting to the change.

For years, the clerk to the board has posted a preliminary agenda on the Wednesday preceding board meetings, which are held on Tuesdays. Then, on Fridays, a final agenda reflecting any last-minute changes would also be posted online and in certain public locations.

Clerk to the Board Diane Severud last week announced that as part of cost-cutting and efficiency measures, the preliminary agenda is being eliminated. Those who keep track of board business will instead see only the final agendas posted on Friday afternoons.

Colleen Platt, the secretary of the land-use watchdog group MyValleySprings.com, responded to Severud's announcement with a letter of her own, said that delaying the agendas to Friday afternoons will harm transparency by giving various people less time to see the agenda, and making it impossible to get meeting information into newspapers during the work week before the meeting.

Platt said she understands that preliminary agendas are still being drafted earlier in the week even though the public won't get to see them. She urged Severud to continue sending the preliminary agenda out via email.

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