DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

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TO INTERESTED PARTIES

Senate Bill 82, signed by the Governor June 24, 2015, requires the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to submit a plan, or plans, to the Legislature by October 1, 2015, to close one or more of the state's three remaining developmental centers. Efforts are underway to submit a plan to close Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) in Eldridge, CA by the end of 2018. A draft closure plan specific to SDC will be available for review at http://www.dds.ca.gov/SonomaNews/ on September 15, 2015. DDS is seeking public comment on the draft plan at a public hearing. These comments will be considered in finalizing the closure plan to be submitted by October 1, 2015, for Legislative approval.

A Second Public Hearing on the Transformation of Sonoma Developmental Center

Will be conducted by the Department of Developmental Services

Monday, September 21, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Conference Call Line: (866) 261-7147

The Renaissance Lodge at Sonoma -- Sonoma Ballroom 1325 Broadway (Leveroni & Napa Roads) Sonoma, CA. 95476

Agenda

(Additional copies of this agenda may be obtained at: <u>http://www.dds.ca.gov/SonomaNews/index.cfm</u>)

Introduction

9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Public Testimony

9:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To assure that each person has an opportunity to speak, each speaker is requested to limit their comments to a maximum of 5 minutes.

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Written Comments

All written comments must be received by 5 p.m. on September 23, 2015. Written comments may be submitted in a variety of ways, including:

- In person at the hearing
 - A box will be available at the sign-in table that you can drop comments into.
- Via the online DDS form at: <u>http://www.dds.ca.gov/SonomaNews/</u>
- By mail to DDS at the following address:

Department of Developmental Services Developmental Centers Division Attention: Cindy Coppage 1600 9th Street, Room 340, MS 3-17 Sacramento, CA 95814

• Via e-mail to <u>Sonoma.closure@dds.ca.gov</u>

Accessibility & Accommodations

The Sonoma Ballroom at The Renaissance Lodge at Sonoma is physically accessible to persons with disabilities. Printed materials in alternate formats and requests for sign language interpreters, or other disability-related accommodations, should be made to DDS @ (916) 654-1706 or email: <u>Sonoma.closure@dds.ca.gov</u> by 5 p.m. on September 16, 2015.

A call-in line is being provided to accommodate individuals who cannot attend the hearing in person.

Conference Line: (866) 261-7147

Please dial-in several minutes in advance of when you'd like to join the call, in order to have time to talk with the operator and be connected to the hearing.

Questions

If you have questions concerning the closure process for SDC, please send an e-mail message to: <u>sonoma.closure@dds.ca.gov</u>, or call (916) 654-1706.