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DISTRICT ATTORNEY DAVID A. LINN ANNOUNCES THE FORMATION OF AGRICULTURAL / WATER CRIME TASK FORCE

MADERA, CA. – The Madera County District Attorney’s Office announces the formation of a new Agriculture / Water Crime Task Force comprised of Senior Deputy District Attorney Todd Spangler, Deputy District Attorney David Petersen, and a District Attorney Investigator.

“Since the business of Madera is agriculture, I intend to make its protection a top priority,” David Linn said.

According to Linn, the purpose of the task force is to combat agricultural / water crime through education; providing farmers with information on how to prevent crime before it occurs; to get ahead of the growing State trend of water theft from the rightful property owners; and to redouble our effectiveness in prosecuting agricultural related crimes.

The task force will provide direct communication with a Deputy District Attorney 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. When formed this month the phone number will be published on the District Attorney’s website at www.madera-county.com and provided directly to the agriculture community.

Linn stated, “I’m sure this will prevent and solve crimes which are occurring against our community and neighbors in Madera County.”

“This action by the District Attorney’s Office will be an outstanding additional resource in our Ag Crime efforts,” said Madera County Sheriff Jay Varney.

The task force will work on cases involving property owners, farmers, and agricultural suppliers.