



Para español

Dear friends and neighbors,

Sending big thanks to community members and leaders for participating in four town hall events over the past three months. Locations included Atlas Peak/ Silverado, Berryessa Highlands, Circle Oaks, and Gordon Valley. It was a joy to meet you in your communities, connect you with resources, and hear from you directly.

We are moving forward with the Napa County Regional Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (RCAAP). The public comment period for the report has closed. Staff will be making final revisions and bringing the document back to the Board of Supervisors at a future date.

The General Plan process is also ongoing, with the Baseline Data Report (BDR) [open for comments](#).

Napa County is also developing its first ever Strategic Initiatives document. The Board of Supervisors has held two retreats to focus on this item, which provides a guiding framework and performance metrics for county departments and the community as a whole.

Please read on for additional updates on local resources available in the community.

Warmly,

AMBER MANFREE



Happy Water New Year!



Happy Water New Year! Starting October 1, we will be in the 2026 water year. This designation helps us manage surface water supplies by aligning planning with precipitation patterns. Residents in Napa County receive water from sources such as local reservoirs to groundwater and the North Bay Aqueduct. Let's take a moment to appreciate the work that goes into safe, reliable water delivery and the improvements to water quality of the Napa River, Putah and Suisun Creeks, and their many tributaries since the Clean Water Act was adopted 53 years ago.

Our community continues to work toward water resource stewardship goals, such as creating policy to support sustainable groundwater management, flood management, and removing fish passage barriers.

- The Groundwater Sustainability Agency and Technical Advisory Group are exploring options for funding the ongoing monitoring and measuring that will be needed to manage groundwater sustainably.
- The Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District is moving forward with plans to add flood walls and additional trails on river right (the west bank) along the Napa River from the Oxbow Bypass (River Terrace Inn) to the Elksgrove Townhomes.
- The Napa County Resource Conservation District recently completed the removal of a fish passage barrier on Sulphur Creek, opening up 3.2 miles of streams to our local fishes.

Aircraft Noise Concerns

There have been numerous complaints about noise from planes flying over the City of Napa recently, especially in Alta Heights and neighboring communities. We hear you, and your concerns are being taken seriously. The [Napa County Airport Advisory Commission](#) has appointed an ad-hoc "Noise Working Group" to take a data-driven approach to assessing aircraft noise impacts and identify solutions. We will continue to share updates from that group's work in upcoming newsletters. To share your thoughts:

- Call the **Napa County Noise Hotline** at **707-253-4333**
- Submit noise complaints to the **Federal Aviation Administration** [here](#)

BayREN's EASE Home Program



The Bay Area Regional Energy Network's (BayREN) Efficiency and Sustainable Energy (EASE Home) program helps income-eligible residents make upgrades that improve home, health, and comfort, and helps save money on energy bills. The EASE Home program sends an Energy Advisor to evaluate participants' homes for opportunities to reduce energy costs and enhances their home's safety by installing recommended improvements. Upgrades could include measures such as insulation and weatherstripping, smart thermostats, and/or duct replacement.

BayREN will cover 80% of the project costs. Eligible participants could receive upgrades worth \$5,000+ and would be required to pay just 20% of the total project cost, not to exceed \$1,000. If a participant is interested in switching out gas appliances, such as furnaces and stoves, to all-electric options, EASE

Homes will coordinate installation, provide comprehensive support, and leverage the currently available state and local incentive programs to help reduce costs.

Submit an interest form to Napa County staff at:

<https://forms.gle/t4VtvdwCAD2vZpAz8>

Learn more about the program and view eligibility requirements at:

bayren.org/ease-home

Agricultural Damage Assessment Survey

The Agricultural Commissioner's Office is conducting a damage assessment survey to more accurately assess the impacts of the Pickett Fire. This survey is intended to support our efforts to request a Secretarial Disaster Designation and additional State or Federal resources.

WHY YOUR RESPONSE MATTERS: A Secretarial Disaster Designation would unlock significant federal disaster relief resources for our entire agricultural community. Your detailed responses are essential to documenting the full regional impact.

IMPORTANT: Please submit one survey per site. If you have multiple vineyard or production sites, make multiple submissions to ensure each location's damage is properly documented.

The survey covers commodity losses as well as damage to equipment, structures, and infrastructure from fire or smoke exposure. We encourage everyone who experienced any level of impact to participate.

The deadline for reported losses is Monday, October 20. We may contact you at the number provided if we have clarifying questions.

If you have any questions, please contact the Ag Commissioner's Office at (707) 253-4357 or agcommissioner@countyofnapa.org

Community Preparedness

Napa County is quickly entering the rainy season. Now whether or not we

get lots of rain is still yet to be seen, but it is always a good idea to be prepared for winter storms and prolonged power outages.

Many older adults in our community live alone and may need extra support during an evacuation. Take time to check in with neighbors and work together to build a more resilient, connected community.

Below are some helpful resources to support your preparedness this season. You can always find local resources at [Ready Napa County](#).



COAD provides leadership to the nongovernmental response during all phases of disaster by creating linkages across all sectors and providing effective coordinated efforts to promote community resilience.

[Winter Storm Preparedness](#)

[AFN Preparedness](#)

[Preparedness Calendar](#)

Ready is a National public service campaign designed to educate and empower the American people to prepare for, respond to and mitigate emergencies and disasters. The goal of the campaign is to promote preparedness through public involvement.

[Floods](#)

[Landslide and Debris Flow](#)

[Power Outages](#)

[Make a Plan](#)

Out in the Community



Berryessa Lake Tour with Supervisor Belia and Captain Jon Thompson



Coastal Clean up Day



Ribbon Cutting for the Grand Opening of the Be Well Mobile Services



Master Gardeners Fall Faire

Community Events



EEK-O-Friendly Costume Exchange

The City of Napa will be providing racks of gently used Halloween costumes **at the Napa Library through October 31**. Everyone is welcome to find **FREE** costumes to take home!

Costume donations are also welcome.

Where: Napa Main Library | 580 Coombs St, Napa

Napa Day Against Hate
October 12, 2025
 Second Annual
12:30-3:00 PM
Veterans Park

Speakers
 Bernie Narvaez, Vice Mayor
 Joelle Gallagher, County Supervisor
 Rabbi Niles Goldstein, Congregation Beth Shalom
 Dr. Jay Lang, Center for Spiritual Living
 Dr. Tracy Mayne, "The Truck Guy"
 Coach Baillie, LGBTQ Connection
 Alonso Corona, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
 Madelaine Hernandez, Immigration Institute of the Bay Area
 Christopher Dunagan, American Voters for Democracy

Musical guests
 DJ Rotten Robbie
 Vintage High School Choir
 Justin Sienna High School Choir
 Rivertown Blues Society

Proclamations from
 State of California
 Napa County
 City of Napa

Live Broadcast on The Vine
 Sponsors: www.NapaDayAgainstHate.com

SPONSORS: Napa Valley Interfaith Council, NVUSD, DEUCES MARKET, WOLFRED'S, TONEWOOD COURAGE, SWEETIE PIES, BOUNTY + BUNTER

Napa Day Against Hate | October 12

The second annual Napa Day Against Hate on **Sunday, October 12, 2025**, beginning at **12:30 PM** at **Veterans Park** in **Downtown Napa**.

Schoolchildren will chalk the sidewalk surrounding the park with art and messages of love and inclusion.

Community and local government speakers will talk about how to counter hate and connect with your neighbors

[FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

Boys & Girls Halloween Carnivals in Napa AND American Canyon | October 31

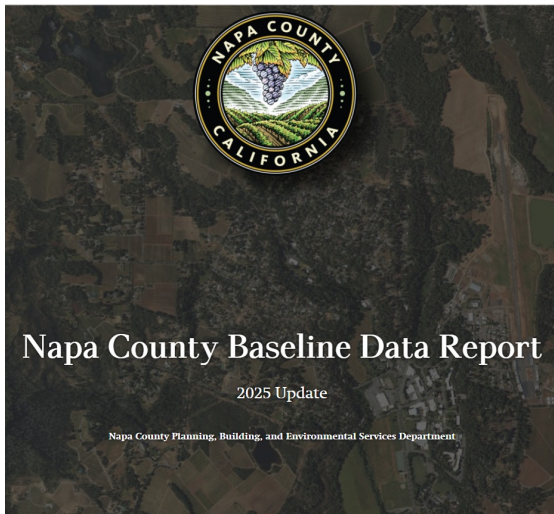


Where:

- [Napa Club House](#) (1515 Pueblo Ave, Napa)
- [Americian Canyon Club House](#) (60 Benton Way, American Canyon)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Napa County Updates



Baseline Data Report

It is not too late to provide your opinions and ask your questions! You can always reach out to bdr@countyofnapa.org.

Please visit the [BDR website](#) for more information and sign up for updates, so you can stay involved throughout each step. The next workshops will be held in November. I hope to see you at the meetings.



A Message from our County Fire Administrator, JR Rogers

As summer wanes, we are looking ahead to our annual closure of the Napa County Fire Chipping Program.

The chipping program will halt taking applications on October 31, 2025 – this will allow us to complete all outstanding requests and finish winter closure the following week.

Thank you all for continuing to push chipping sign-ups for this great program and a BIG thank you for the support and to all our crews!

We Want To Hear From You

Help us provide better information on recycling and trash services in your area!



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Español

Scan the QR code or visit
forms.office.com/g/56nYD3V7PLX - English
forms.office.com/g/MALuH6gy - Español



5 randomly selected people who complete our online survey by 10/31/25 will win a reusable water bottle.

Your feedback is **valuable** and helps us improve our services.



Napa County
countyofnapa.org/recycling
707-253-4331

Berryessa Garbage Service
berryessagarbage.com
707-226-9543

Napa County's Recycling & Waste Division Wants to Hear From You

Complete this survey if you use the **Berryessa Garbage Service** to help improve the recycling and waste services in Napa County. Five people who complete the survey by October 31st will win a **FREE** reusable water bottle.

[Take the Survey Here >>>](#)

Board of Supervisors Meetings Overview

SEPTEMBER 9



*The Board, presented a proclamation recognizing **September 2025 as "National Library Card Signup Month" in Napa County***



*The Board, presented a proclamation recognizing **September 2025 as "Workforce Development Month" in Napa County***



*The Board, presented a proclamation recognizing **September 2025 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Month" in Napa County***

- The Board adopted a resolution establishing Napa County's FY 2025–26 secured tax roll rates, including the 1% Proposition 13 levy and voter-approved debt rates, as required by state law ([5D](#)).
- The Board awarded a construction contract to Pridmore Brothers Construction, Inc. for the Transfer Pumping Equipment and Storage Project, completing the final element of the District's Small Community Drought Relief Program grant ([5V](#)).
- The Board approved an agreement with the City of Napa to administer the Trancas Street Paving Project, including the County's portion from the

Napa River bridge to State Route 121 ([5AN](#)).

- Deputy Fire Chief JC Greenberg provided an overview of the successful response to the Pickett Fire, highlighting the coordinated efforts of 2,800 personnel, volunteers, and support staff that limited structural damage and protected the community ([9A](#)).
- The Board approved an agreement with the Napa Valley Tourism Corporation to serve as the Owner’s Association for the Napa Valley Tourism Improvement District through June 2035 ([9B](#)).
- Housing & Community Services Director, Jennifer Palmer, and Generation Housing’s Dr. Joshua Shipper presented the “Made the Rent” report, highlighting how affordable housing supports workforce stability, reduces financial stress, and strengthens community resilience in Napa Valley. Learn more and read the report [here](#) ([9C](#)).
- The Board held a public hearing and adopted a resolution approving the Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority’s financing of a new Construction and Demolition Facility and finding significant public benefits from the project ([10A](#)).

SEPTEMBER 23



*The Board presented a proclamation recognizing **September 2025 as “Hispanic Heritage Month”** in Napa County*



*The Board presented a proclamation recognizing **September 2025 as “National Recovery Month”** in Napa County*



*The Board presented a proclamation to **Dina Jose for her service and contributions as Director of Corrections for Napa County***

- The Board approved an agreement with Community Initiatives (The ADU Center) to provide technical assistance for Napa County’s ADU Loan Program, ensuring eligible homeowners receive outreach, resources, and feasibility consults to support affordable ADU development ([5O](#)).
- The Board approved an amendment with ADKO Engineering, Inc. to provide additional construction support, redesign, and expanded environmental monitoring for the Chiles Pope Valley Road MPM 3.63 project and authorized a related change order to address unforeseen culvert conditions while keeping the project on schedule ([5AA](#)).
- The Board received an update for the Napa Valley Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan implementation, and discussed recommendations to strengthen GSP implementation, including updating water conservation ordinances, expanding incentives for efficiency and recharge, and developing programs to measure and report groundwater use near significant streams to improve sustainability outcomes ([9B](#)).

- The Board received an update from Planning, Building & Environmental Services Director, Brian Bordona, on code compliance, including progress on the Use Permit Compliance Program, implementation of the Reusable Foodware Ordinance, review of reverse osmosis system policies, potential updates to the Rooster Ordinance, and expanded realtor and community education efforts ([9C](#)).
- The Board conducted a public hearing, with presentations from Public Works and Napa Open Space District, and adopted a resolution to abandon a 2.5-mile portion of Old Howell Mountain Road while reserving easements for utilities, emergency access, and a new public trail, and approved an agreement with the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District to manage the trail ([10B](#)).

To access Board meeting agendas and accompanying materials, subscribe to receive agendas when they are posted, learn how to address the Board on a specific agenda item or provide general public comment, and watch videos after the board meeting, [please click here](#).

What topics interest you the most?

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Napa County Department Updates

Board of Supervisors Meeting Recaps

Community Resources

Community Events

We would love to hear from you, the reader! Help identify the topics that you would be interested in reading about to include in this newsletter. If you have other ideas not included in the options above, email Abigail Flores with the topics that interest you.

Thank You!

Please forward this email to your friends and neighbors! Click the button below to have this newsletter delivered to your in-box.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting, please reach out to Abigail Flores. I look forward to seeing you out in the community!

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