

# AB900

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## Northern Branch Jail and Regional Secure Reentry Facility Update

September 2, 2008

# Overview

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1. \$80 million to construct Santa Barbara Jail Northern Branch (304 beds)
2. State – County Reentry partnership discussions commence in December 2006
3. AB900 grant proposal for \$56.3 million submitted in March 2008
4. Notified of State's intent to award *conditional* grant funding of \$56.3 million May 2008
5. State concludes County cannot operate State Reentry Facility (8-12-08)

# New Opportunity: Regional Reentry Facility

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- Partner with CDCR, Counties of SLO & San Benito and the City of Paso Robles
- SB State Prison inmates would be housed in State-run SCRF in Paso Robles
- This option would preserve our \$56.3 million award to build the Northern Branch Jail
- CDCR and County partners currently seeking City of Paso Robles Resolution of Cooperation
- Paso Robles seeking assurance we will transport SB inmates to SB county upon release

# Since Board Meeting of 8-19-08

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- CDCR, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and San Benito Counties are in agreement to proceed
- All parties to the Central Coast Secure Reentry Facility (San Luis Obispo & San Benito Counties, CDCR and the City of Paso Robles) met on 8-26- & 8-27-08 for discussions to resolve City of Paso Robles' concerns
- Attended 2 Town Hall meetings in Paso Robles to address issues associated with joining previously proposed Regional Reentry Facility
- Discussions with CDCR and the City of Paso Robles are continuing. We anticipate that Paso Robles will adopt a resolution of support on 9-16-08

# Where Do We Stand Now?

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- **Have Agreed to Final Language for the Regional Reentry Siting Agreement**
- **Signing of the Siting Agreement allows us to continue to remain eligible for the \$56.3 grant to build Northern Branch Jail**
- **The County must now proceed with the development of a funding plan for the Jail Project (Approx 6 months)**

# Board Actions Requested Today

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- Sign Siting Agreement for Central Coast Regional Secure Community Reentry Facility, to be located on State Property in the City of Paso Robles
- Sign Resolution of Cooperation with CDCR, SLO, San Benito and Paso Robles (including commitment to transport our parolees to Santa Barbara County upon release)

# Board Actions Requested in Addition to those in the Board Letter

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- Authorize the Sheriff to pursue an MOU regarding parolee transport agreed to in the Resolution of Cooperation, to be returned for presentation to the Board on or after September 9, 2008

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**Deadline for Regional Reentry Siting  
Agreement is  
September 13, 2008**

**Next CSA Meeting for conditional award of  
AB 900 funds is  
September 18, 2008  
Berkeley, CA**