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Assessor Bill Postmus Signs September 2007 Supplemental Tax Assessment Roll, Streamlines Process For Taxpayers

SAN BERNARDINO – San Bernardino County Assessor Bill Postmus announced today that he has signed the September 2007 Supplemental Tax Assessment Roll.

The Supplemental Tax Assessment Roll contained a net assessed value in excess of \$2.2 billion and was transmitted to the Auditor-Controller for tax calculation. Supplemental tax bills are generated when new construction or change of ownership occur on real property in San Bernardino County.

In March, Assessor Postmus announced a new policy which will increase from three to six per year the number of Supplemental Tax Assessment Rolls. Under the new policy Supplemental Tax Assessment Rolls are generated in the months of January, March, May, July, September and November. The supplemental tax assessment rolls are in addition to the Annual Assessment Roll which is signed every June.

Under previous policy, when a taxpayer concluded a new purchase of real property or completed construction, taxpayers were often notified as many as eight months later. Under the new policy, to ensure quick resolution for taxpayers, property owners will receive their supplemental assessment within two to three months after their initial valuation.

“With the signing of today’s supplemental tax assessment roll, property owners are assured of being able to better prepare budgeting for tax purposes,” stated Assessor Postmus. “Additionally, my office stands ready to assist taxpayers with any and all possible exemptions. Today’s signing simply streamlines the process for property owners, and will ultimately help area schools, law enforcement, and local governments receive their allocated funding promptly.”

Postmus’ decision will assist San Bernardino County’s local municipalities in receiving their needed property tax revenue. As San Bernardino County and its cities continue to grow they are challenged with providing necessary services to residents. These additional Supplemental Tax Assessment Rolls will allow them to pay for needed civic improvements such as expanding public safety, fixing roads and streets, and improving our local schools.

Assessor Bill Postmus was sworn in as the county assessor in January 2007 after serving 6 years as county supervisor, representing the First Supervisorial District. From 2005-06, Assessor Postmus served as chair of the county’s Board of Supervisors. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Management from the University of Redlands. Postmus is designated by the state of California as a Certified Property Tax Appraiser. As assessor, Bill Postmus is credited with reducing property tax assessments by millions of dollars.

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