

IV Fairgrounds Date Change Consideration

Background: The 45th District Agricultural Association (DAA), better known as the IV Fairgrounds, is an underfunded state agency. Currently the 45th DAA receives approximately \$36,000 annual allocation from the state. The remaining operational funds are earned through the fair, rentals, and other events. While 90-95 percent of our operational budget is earned as a private business, the spending of funds has to follow all guidelines of being a state agency. Because of this the dollars earned as a "private business" do not go as far as a true private business.

Proposal: Currently the California Mid-Winter Fair is held 10 consecutive days at the beginning of March. The proposal is to increase the duration of the fair by one more week, while being dark (closed) on Monday and Tuesday of both weeks. This would make the fair a 13 day fair over the course of 17 days.

Reasoning: There are a variety of reasons for this consideration which evolve around safety and financial elements.

Livestock: There are many factors regarding this change and the livestock schedule is a major component of it. Our current proposal from our livestock committee would be to keep all market/breeding animals on the same schedule we currently are. We would extract the primary exhibitors from the first two weeks and move them to the third week. This gives the primary exhibitors dedicated time to learn and grow in experienced exhibitors.

Current Daily Count:
Monday-Friday: 6
Saturday-Sunday: 4

Proposed Daily Count:
Monday-Friday: 7
Saturday-Sunday: 6

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|--------|--------|-----|------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| | | | | Opening Day | | |
| Closed | Closed | | | Auction | Auction | |
| Closed | Closed | | | | | Final Day |



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