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Yolo Chief Probation Officer Elected CPOC Secretary

(Woodland, CA) – Yolo County Chief Probation Officer Don Meyer has been elected to serve as Secretary for the Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) – an organization which represents chief probation officers from all 58 counties in California. Mr. Meyer has been Yolo County's Chief Probation Officer since July 2005. Previously he served as Calaveras County's Chief Probation Officer and also was with the Sacramento County Probation Department for over 37 years.

The CPOC mission is to provide leadership in the mobilization, coordination and implementation of probation programs; provide for public protection including, detention and treatment, victim services and the prevention of crime and delinquency; and to ensure the provision of quality investigations and supervision of offenders for the courts. The CPOC has been instrumental in obtaining funding from both the state and federal governments to augment county funding. They also sponsor and support legislation related to criminal justice, child welfare and adult services. The CPOC employs an executive director and a lobbyist to represent the interests of county probation departments in Sacramento with the Governor and the state legislature.

During Chief Probation Officer Meyer's tenure with Yolo County, his many innovations include implementing evidence-based treatment programs in the Juvenile Detention Facility and the use of electronic monitoring of offenders. The department focuses on public safety, victim restoration, offender accountability and offender competency. In the last year, they have collected over \$1 million in fees, fines and victim restitution and have generated approximately \$4 million through entitlement programs, grants and contracts.

"I am very pleased and honored to be selected by my peers to serve as the secretary of such an esteemed organization as the Chief Probation Officers of California," said Yolo County Chief Probation Officer Don Meyer. "I feel blessed to have such a quality team with which to work."

"Don Meyer has been a very effective and compassionate contributor to Yolo County's public safety network," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mariko Yamada. "The CPOC is fortunate to have his expertise as they advocate for county programs at the state and federal levels."