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Board of Supervisors Meeting Videos Now Streamed Online

(Woodland, CA) – Starting today, anyone with access to the Internet will now be able to view archived Yolo County Board of Supervisors meetings (beginning with the May 1, 2007 meeting) via online streaming video by visiting www.yolocounty.org. In an effort to reach a broader audience and provide quick, easy-access to county government and the business of the Board of Supervisors, Yolo County contracted with California-based Granicus, Inc. to offer this advanced Web streaming solution.

For over 200 municipalities throughout the nation, the Granicus solution creates an integrated public record of meeting agendas, minutes and audio/video content, which are all searchable by keyword in one easy-to use interface. Via the Internet, users can search by keyword or "jump" to the moment when a specific item was discussed.

"We believe this technology will make Yolo County government more accessible to our residents and community partners, and we are hopeful it will increase public participation in the important policy issues we face," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mariko Yamada.

Internet access is available to the public in all Yolo County Branch Libraries. Recently, Internet connections in all branch libraries have been upgraded to two-six times the previous speed for general public use connectivity and to allow users better accessibility in viewing online video streaming of Board of Supervisors meetings. Information on branch library locations and hours of operation can also be found by visiting www.yolocounty.org.

Video-linked Board of Supervisors meetings will be posted and archived by 10:00am the day following a meeting. Meetings will also still be rebroadcast on public access cable channels as follows:

Davis - Channel 16 - Sundays 7:00 p.m. and Mondays 1:00 p.m.

West Sacramento - Channel 20 - Saturdays 12:00 p.m.

Esparto - Channel 55 - Thursdays 7:00 p.m.

Winters - Channel 20 - Wednesdays (8 days after the meeting) 1:00 p.m.

Woodland - Channel 21 WAVE - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:00 a.m.

For a calendar of Yolo County Board of Supervisors meetings, and to access archived meetings, visit www.volocounty.org.