



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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**TO: The Network of California Fairs**

**SUBJECT: 2015 Survey of Deferred Maintenance for the Network of California Fairs**

In June 2014, the Division of Fairs and Expositions and the Western Fairs Association contacted fairs to request information on deferred maintenance and infrastructure needs. As a continuation of the original effort, the Department of Food and Agriculture is working with the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA) to complete a comprehensive survey of urgent and critical deferred maintenance needs for the Network of California Fairs.

CFSA will compile the survey data and use professional construction budget estimates to create a status report on the deferred maintenance and infrastructure needs of California fairs. The status report is expected to be completed in March 2015. The primary goal of this effort is to develop current documentation necessary to explore financial support from local, state, and federal resources in order to ensure that California fair facilities remain safe for the public and emergency response personnel.

Consideration of strategies for allocation of possible future funding is not part of this survey. CFSA is only looking for data of deferred maintenance and infrastructure needs. Fairs will not need to include project costs, just a project list of the most critical needs.

During the next several weeks CFSA will be contacting each fair with a simple format for fairs to tally information on deferred maintenance needs. The Department of Food and Agriculture strongly encourages fairs to participate in the survey.

Sincerely,

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