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(Jackson, Calif.)--In reference to item number 18 on today's Board of Supervisors regular meeting agenda regarding "discussion and possible action relative to approval of an Intergovernmental Services Agreement (ISA) with the Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians," the following statement is delivered by Terri Daly, County Administrative Officer:

"Today, the Amador County Board of Supervisors voted 3-2 to extend their deliberation period for one week until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting March 4, before voting to accept or reject the proposed negotiated ISA with the Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians."

"Addressing the many concerns and comments presented to the Board and County staff following five public workshops, dozens of stakeholder group meetings throughout the County, and hundreds of emails and phone calls, Chairman Forster (District II) presented a motion to extend the vote. Consenting Supervisors also included District IV Supervisor Louis Boitano, and District V Supervisor Brian Oneto.

"Many citizens have inquired about what this extension means to the County, and all I can tell you is this: When the County and Tribe concluded their ISA negotiations, the Tribe agreed to give us more time to deliberate and educate the citizens of the County on the choices before the board. Today, we have reached our mutually agreed upon deadline to provide them with a decision. At any time now, the Tribe can invoke its seven day notice to take the County to binding arbitration. This short delay to clarify issues brought before the Board today may or may not affect a decision by the Tribe to cease discussion with the County."

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