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June 1, 1994

TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

Letter No.: 94-44

REGIONAL TRAINING ON REVISED/NEW MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY MANUAL PROCEDURES ON DISABILITY

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that we have selected six county sites for regional training sessions on the revised/new Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual procedures on disability which will be released shortly. These procedures represent the cooperative effort of county and state representatives of the Medi-Cal Application Based on Disability (MABD) Committee to improve and update disability procedures.

We have designated dates for the regional training sessions and would like to invite you to attend one of the sessions. Training will be conducted by state staff from the Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch (MEB) and the State Programs Branch-Disability Evaluation Division, as well as a county representative to the MABD Committee.

In addition to county participation, Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) will be attending the training. Two ALJs will be attending the Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles sessions.

The six regional training sites, the counties participating at each location, county contact persons and the training dates are listed below. **Training is expected to last from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Directions/maps for the sites are enclosed for your convenience.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PARTICIPANTS</u>	<u>PARTICIPANTS</u>
1. <u>SACRAMENTO</u>	Alpine Amador Calaveras Colusa El Dorado Lake Nevada Placer	Sacramento San Joaquin Sierra Sutter Tuolumne Yolo Yuba
Date: June 23		
<u>Address:</u>	Sacramento County--Adult Services Center 4875 Broadway Sacramento	
<u>Contact:</u>	Mary Potter, Sacramento County, (916) 978-2128	

2. **SAN FRANCISCO**

Date: June 30

Alameda
Contra Costa
Marin
Mendocino
Monterey
Napa
San Benito

San Francisco
San Mateo
Santa Clara
Santa Cruz
Solano
Sonoma

Address: San Francisco County, Department of Social Services
170 Otis Street, Ronald H. Born Auditorium
San Francisco

Contact: Ken Loo, San Francisco County, (415) 557-5633

3. **LOS ANGELES**

Date: July 6

Los Angeles
Orange
Santa Barbara
Ventura

Address: Los Angeles County-DPSS, Staff Development
10355 Slusher Drive, Suite 1
Santa Fe Springs

Contact: Bill Ivey, LA County, (310) 908-8378

4. **FRESNO**

Date: July 8

Fresno
Inyo
Kern
Kings
Madera
Mariposa

Merced
Mono
San Luis Obispo
Stanislaus
Tulare

Address: Manchester Center Mall, 2nd Floor, Hospitality Room
Corner of Shields and Blackstone Avenues
Fresno

Contact: Terry Castro, Fresno County, (209) 935-2058

5. **REDDING** Butte Plumas
 Del Norte Shasta
Date: July 15 Glenn Siskiyou
 Humboldt Tehama
 Lassen Trinity
 Modoc
- Address:** Shasta County Department of Social Services
 2460 Breslauer Way, Room 55
 Redding
- Contact:** Karen Boyer, Shasta County, (916) 225-5794
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6. **SAN DIEGO** Imperial
 Riverside
Date: July 20 San Bernardino
 San Diego
- Address:** San Diego County-Department of Health Services
 8840 Complex Drive, 3rd Floor
 San Diego
- Contact:** Fran Meister, San Diego County, (619) 565-3140

The following items will be addressed in the training. A more detailed agenda is being developed by MEB.

- Description of the training
- History of the MABD Committee
- Discussion of disability evaluation by SP-DED
- Review of revised/new MEM procedures
- Discussion of forms
- Question and answer period

Due to limited space, we are requesting that counties send no more than two or three county staff who are involved with Medi-Cal staff training or procedures. Counties who are unable to attend a session at a designated location may wish to attend one in another location, but should notify MEB of the change.

Please contact Ms. Marie Taketa at (916) 657-1250 or Ms. Pat Takahashi at (916) 657-1246 at least two weeks prior to your designated session specified above to confirm the number of participants from your county and the location they will be attending. This will ensure that sufficient handouts are available for all participants.

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Should you have questions about the forthcoming training, please contact either Ms. Taketa or Ms. Takahashi at the numbers shown above.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
RICARDO BUSTAMANTE for

Frank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

Enclosures

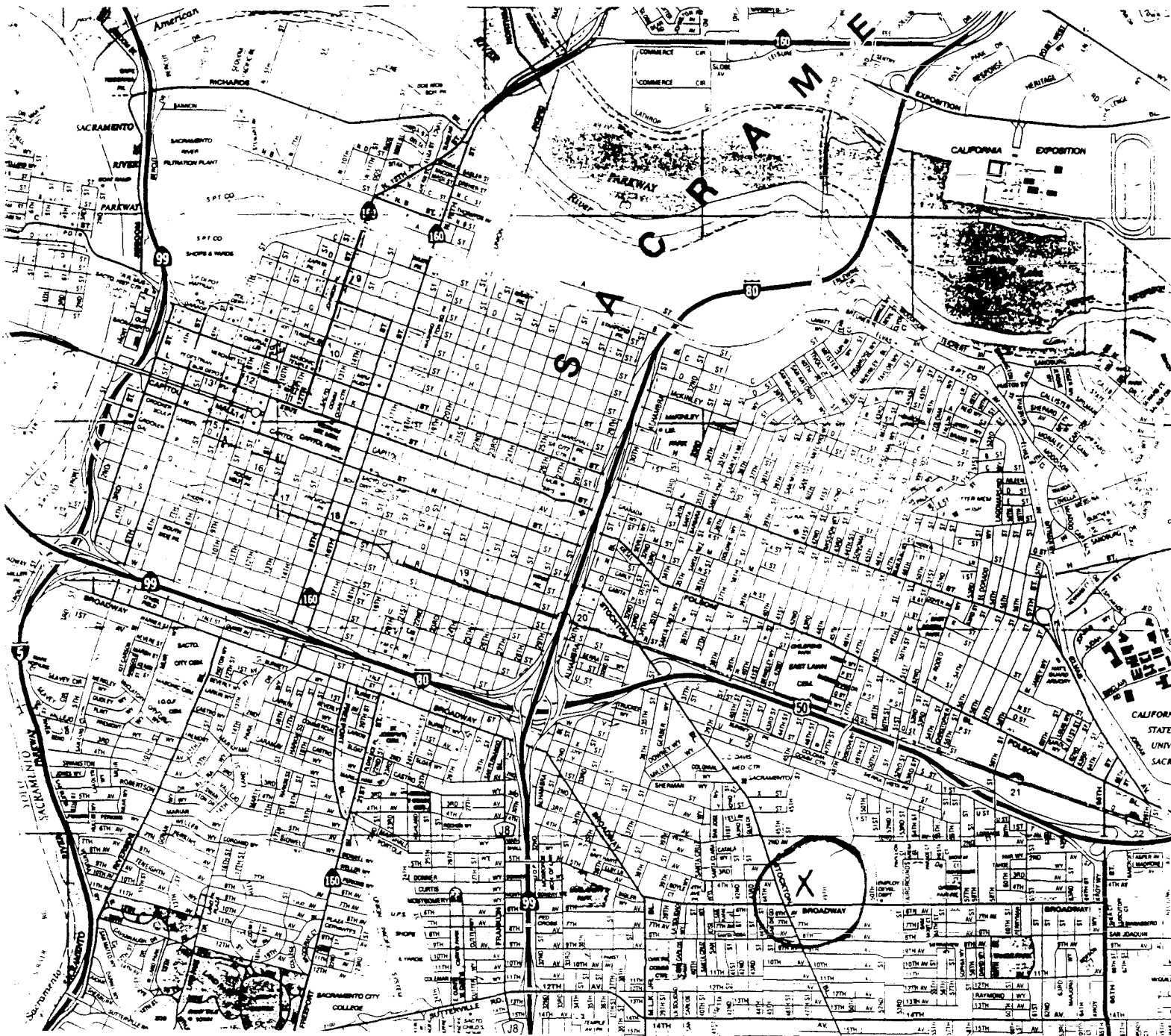
1. **SACRAMENTO:** Sacramento County-Adult Services Center
4875 Broadway, Sacramento

Directions:

From I-80, H-99, or H-16, head east onto Highway 50. Take the 59th Street exit, turn right (south). If heading west on Highway 50, take the 65th Street exit, turn left (south).

Turn right on Broadway. Proceed west on Broadway toward the Broadway/Stockton Blvd. intersection. The Sacramento County Adult Services Center is a two story building on the right side of Broadway.

Parking is available in the front, back and side of building.



2. SAN FRANCISCO: San Francisco County, Department of Social Services
170 Otis Street, Ronald H. Born Auditorium, San Francisco

DIRECTIONS

FROM 101 NORTH (i.e. Marin) to 170 Otis Street

From Golden Gate Bridge take the Lombard St. exit, take Lombard St. to Van Ness and turn right. Stay on Van Ness, cross Market St., go one more block and turn right onto Otis St. Go 1 1/2 blocks on Otis St. to the garage entrance (next to the blue metal gates).

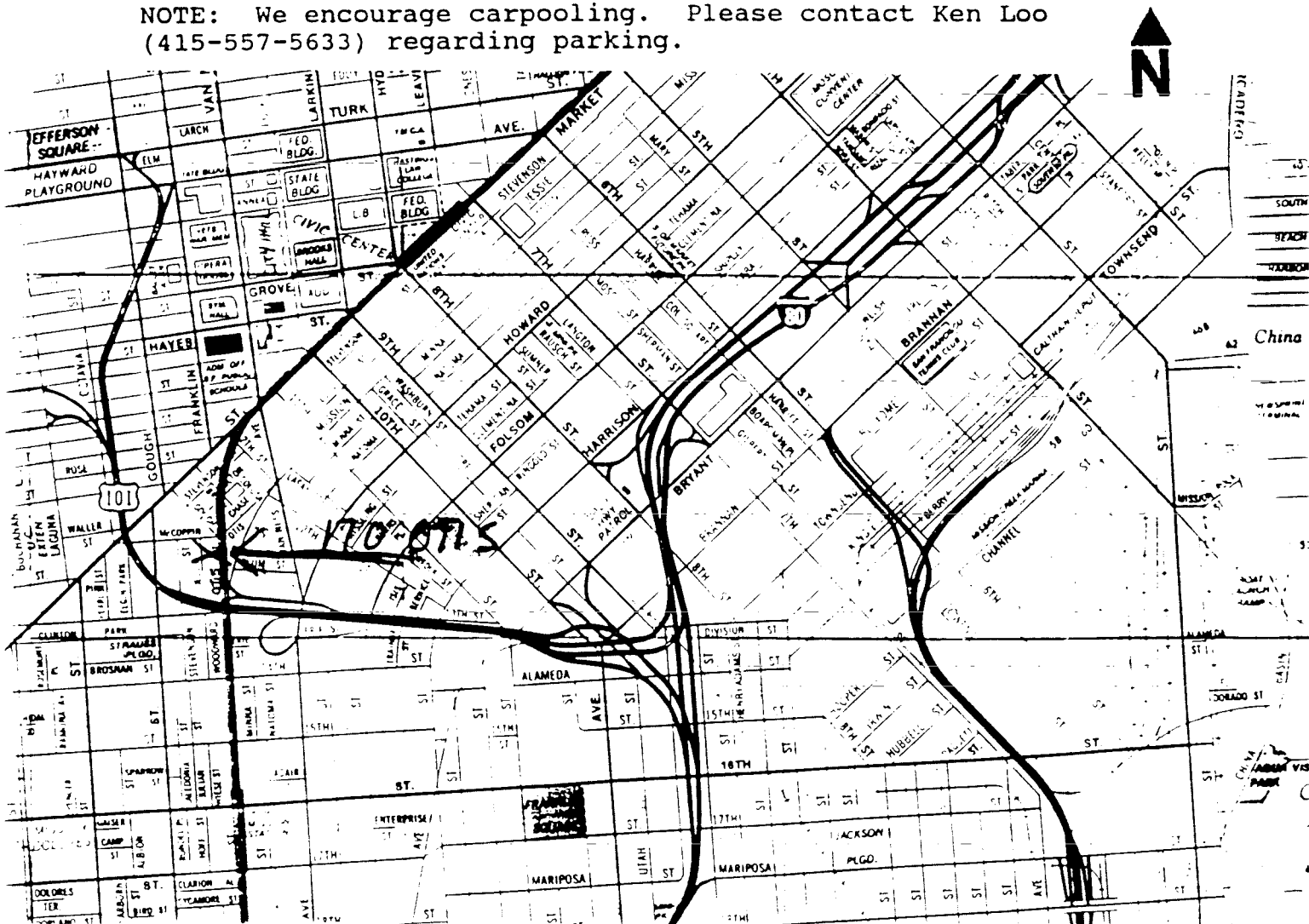
FROM 101 SOUTH (i.e. San Mateo) to 170 Otis Street

From 101, after the Mariposa turn off (do NOT take), the freeway splits -- take the LEFT fork to the Golden Gate Bridge and Civic Center. Stay in the RIGHT LANE, take the first exit - Ninth St. Go up Ninth St. 4 blocks, turn LEFT onto Mission St. Stay on Mission, cross South Van Ness and Mission now become Otis St. Go 1 1/2 blocks to 170 Otis and the garage entrance.

FROM THE BAY BRIDGE to 170 Otis Street

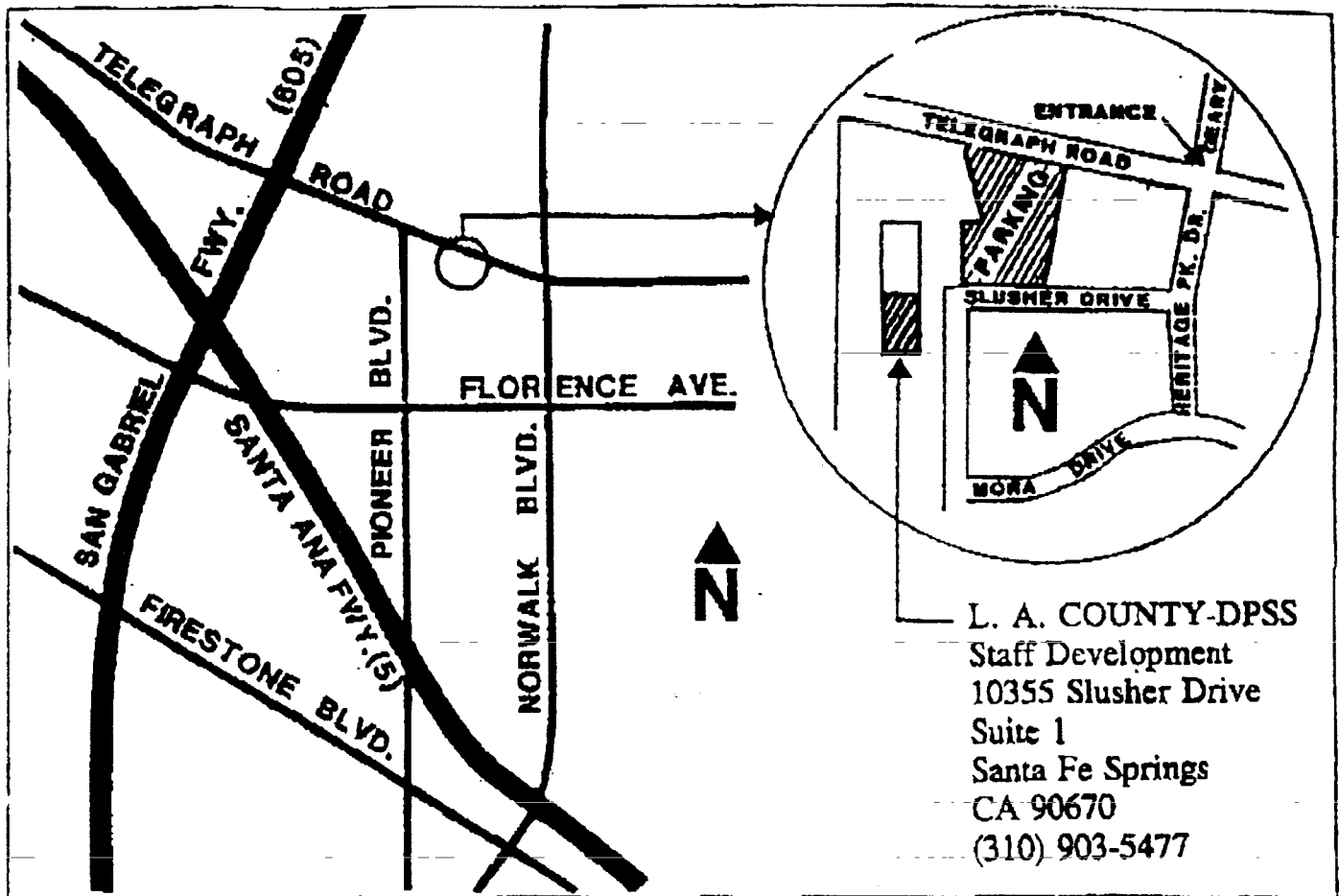
Take the Ninth St. exist. Go 1 block on Harrison St. Turn RIGHT onto Ninth St. Go 3 blocks up Ninth St. to Mission St. and turn left. Stay on Mission, cross So. Van Ness on Mission which now becomes Otis St. Go 1 1/2 blocks to 170 Otis and the garage entrance.

NOTE: We encourage carpooling. Please contact Ken Loo (415-557-5633) regarding parking.



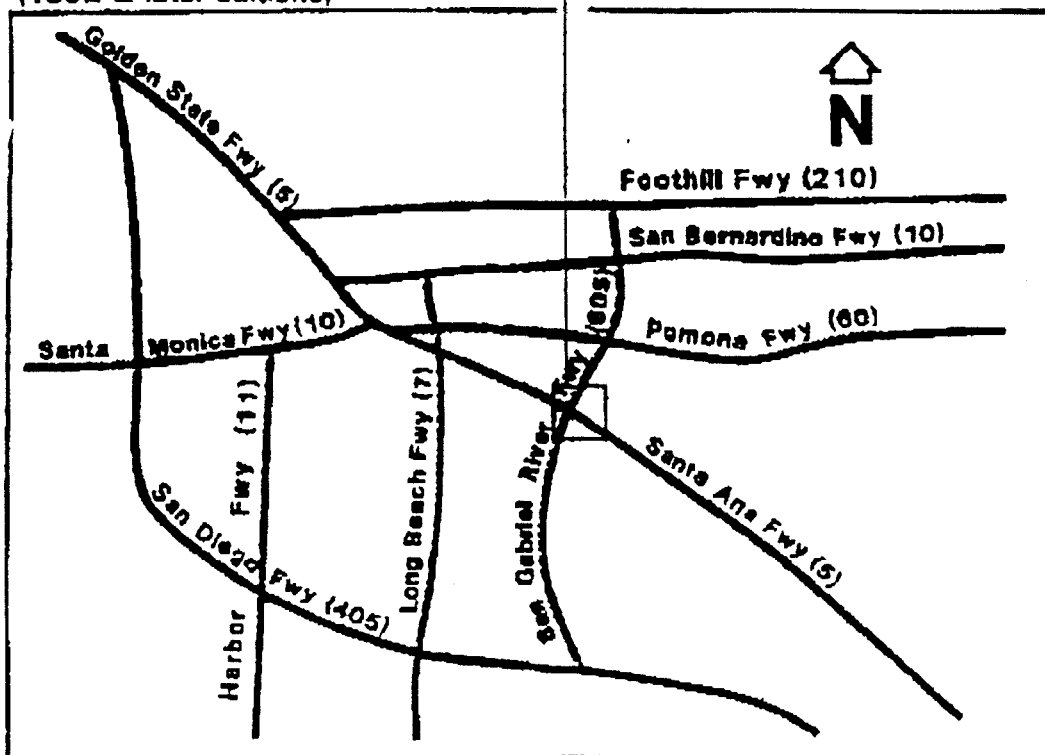
3. LOS ANGELES:

Los Angeles County DPSS, Staff Development
10355 Slusher Drive, Suite 1, Santa Fe Springs

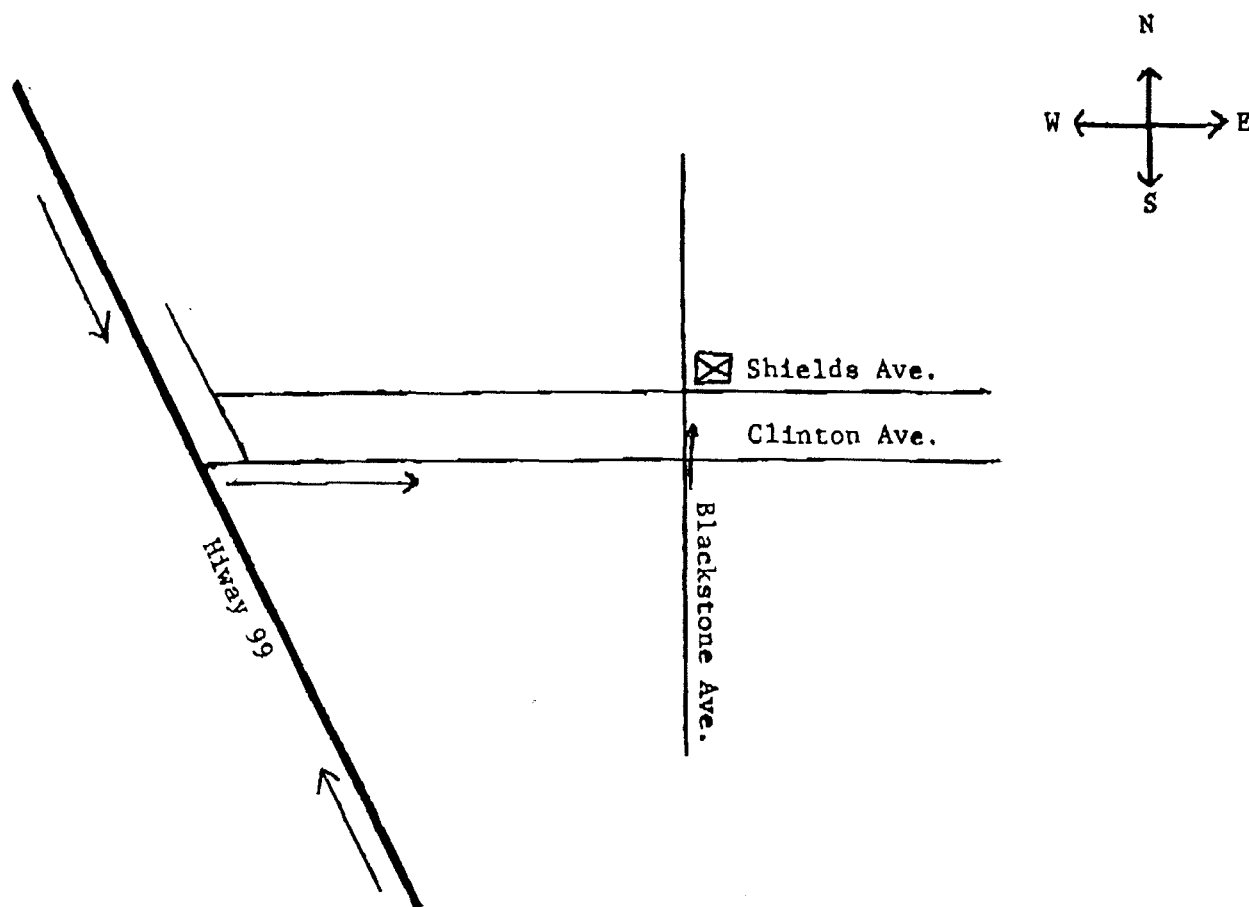


Thomas Guide Page 61 A3
(1988 - 1991 editions)
Thomas Guide Page 706 H4
(1992 & later editions)

Heritage Park Drive/Geary Av. Is
the only traffic signal between
Pioneer Blvd. and Norwalk Blvd.



4. FRESNO: Manchester Center Mall, 2nd Floor, Hospitality Room
Corner of Shields and Blackstone Avenues, Fresno



Training will be held in Fresno at Manchester Center in the 'Hospitality Room', second floor, above the carousel.

Directions:

From North:

South on Hiway 99,
Exit on Clinton Ave.,
Travel East on Clinton Ave to Blackstone Ave.
North on Blackstone Ave to Shields Ave. Manchester Center is on
the Northeast corner of Shields and Blackstone.

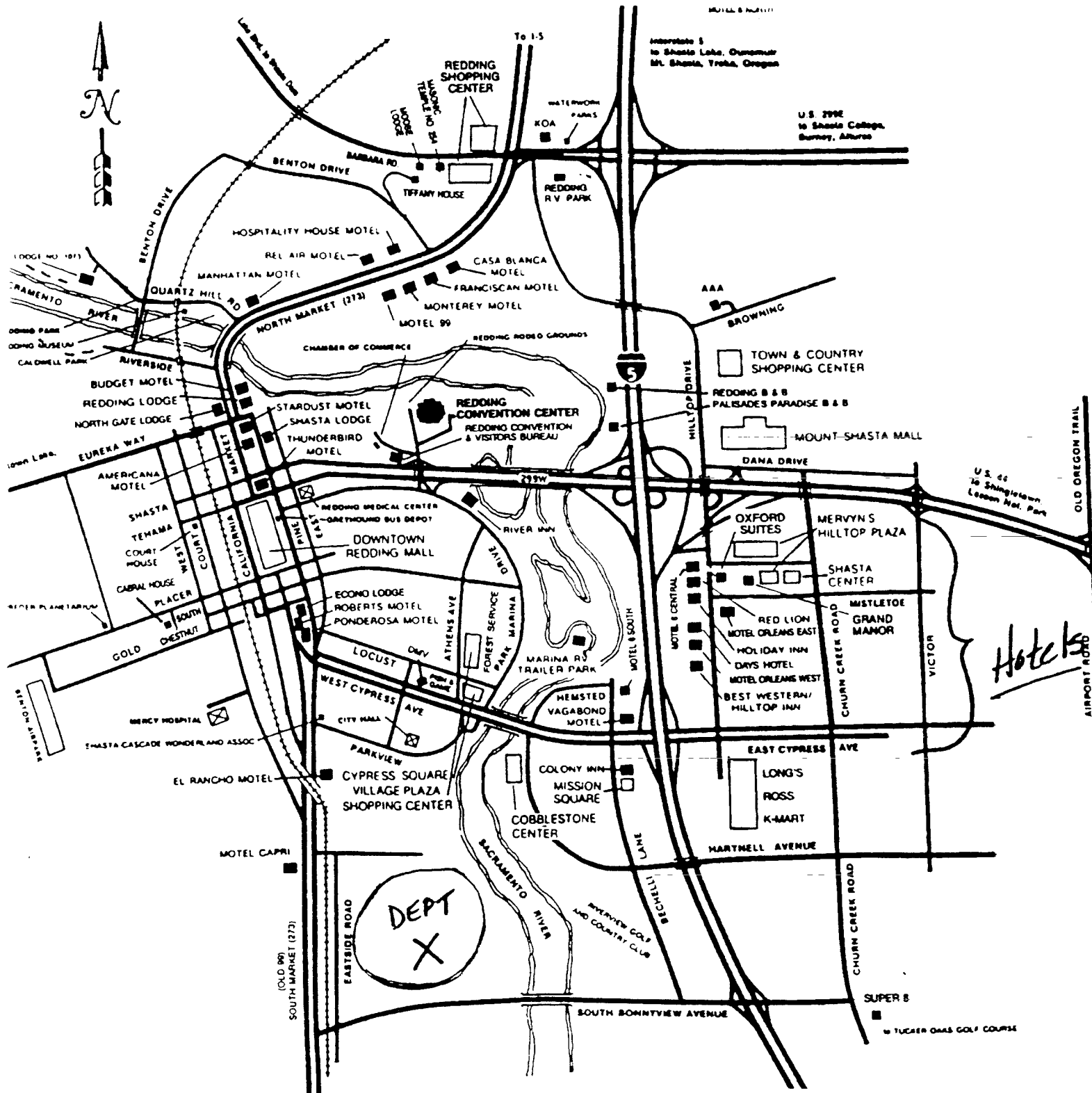
From South:

North on Hiway 99,
Exit on Clinton Ave.,
Travel East on Clinton Ave. to Blackstone Ave.,
North on Blackstone Ave. to Shields Ave. Manchester Center is on
the Northeast corner of Shields and Blackstone.

5. REDDING: Shasta County, Department of Social Services
2460 Breslauer Way, Room 55, Redding

Directions:

Take South Bonnyview Avenue exit off I-5, cross the Sacramento River, turn right at the stop lights. Go approximately .4 of a mile, turn right on Veterans Lane. You will be facing the Department of Social Services.



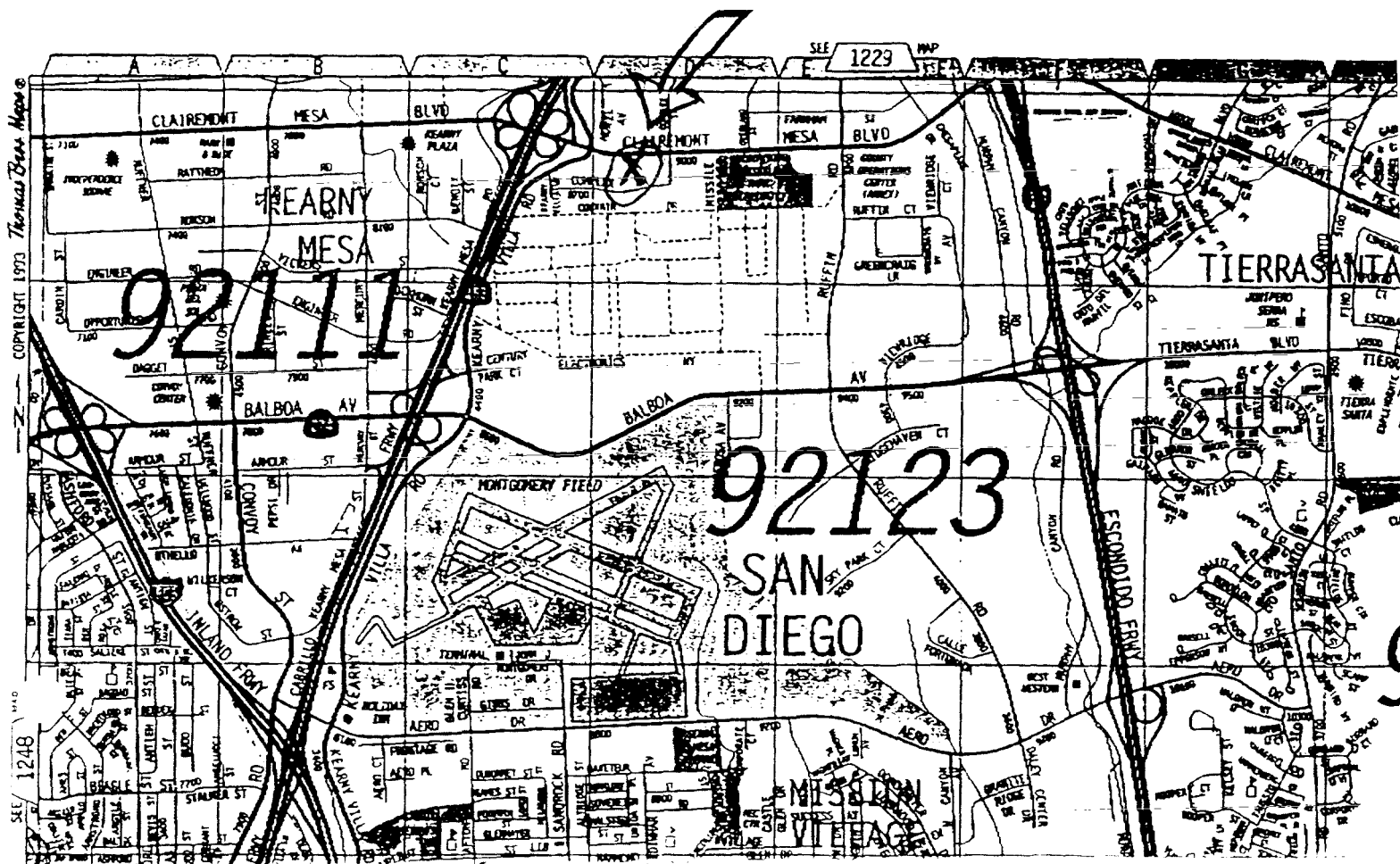
Directions

From 5 South - Take Hwy 805 South to Hwy 52 East, to Hwy 163 South. Take the Clairemont Mesa Blvd. East off ramp. Go through first stoplight and turn right into the McDonald's parking lot.

From 15 South - Take Hwy 163 South. Take the Clairemont Mesa Blvd. East off ramp. Go through first stoplight and turn right into the McDonald's parking lot.

From Hwy 163 North - Take the Clairemont Mesa Blvd. East off ramp. Turn right at stopsign. Go through first stoplight and turn right into the McDonald's parking lot.

The building is located behind the McDonald's. Free parking is available in the building's lot



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June 10, 1994

TO: All County Welfare Directors
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All County Pickle Coordinators

Letter No.: 94-45

CERTAIN IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICE (IHSS) RECIPIENTS WHO SHOULD BE GRANDFATHERED IN UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS (W&I) CODE SECTION 14005.21 WHEN EVALUATED FOR PICKLE ELIGIBILITY

Ref.: E-Mail No. 93164

As you are aware, W&I Code Section 14005.21 provides that certain individuals who were affected by the 2.7 percent reduction in the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program (SSI/SSP) income levels on September 1, 1993 are to be treated for Medi-Cal purposes as if the reduction had not occurred. That is, certain individuals are grandfathered for Medi-Cal purposes under the unreduced SSI/SSP levels.

The purpose of this letter is to revise the policy listed in E-Mail No. 93164 regarding IHSS recipients who were eligible for IHSS in August 1993 before the 2.7 percent SSI/SSP reduction. That E-Mail stated that if IHSS is discontinued for these individuals and they are applying for Medi-Cal-only, they are considered "new" Pickle applicants and not grandfathered for purposes of determining their Pickle eligibility. That is incorrect.


Many of the individuals who were on IHSS in August 1993 also would have been Pickle eligible as well. If these individuals are discontinued from IHSS and apply for Medi-Cal-only, they should be considered "old" Pickle eligibles and, by extension, grandfathered in under W&I Code Section 14005.21. That is, they will be subject to all regular Pickle requirements except for the income standard which remains at the SSI/SSP income levels which were in effect before the 2.7 percent SSI/SSP reduction on September 1, 1993. These individuals must be redetermined under Pickle eligibility rules (e.g., property at \$2,000 for a single person and \$3,000 for a couple). Also, if their income rises above the SSI/SSP income levels which were in effect on August 31, 1993 (e.g., \$620 for a single person after all disregards were applied including the disregard of all cost of living adjustments), they will no longer be eligible for the Pickle program.

The IHSS/Pickle individuals discussed above will continue in aid codes 14, 24, or 64 until they go into the new aid code(s) sometime in the near future.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sylvia Finberg of my staff at (916) 657-0080.

Sincerely,


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