



## Updates from Supervisor Mitch Mashburn - October 2022

### Welcome

Dear Neighbor,

The 5th District is one of the nation's most important sheep ranching areas, providing the wool that keeps us warm, hundreds of local jobs, and giving Rio Vista High School its 'Ram' mascot. RioVision's latest project is attracting people to visit Rio Vista through its '[Rock the Flock](#)' art project, featuring locally-painted sheep statuary located throughout the downtown. If you haven't visited Rio Vista lately for some great dining, shopping and fishing, here's the excuse you needed. Take a selfie with your favorite sheep and make sure to post it on social media with #RockTheFlock!

Thanks for allowing me into your email inbox to keep you up to date on what's happening here in the Fifth District of Solano County. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, comments or concerns, or to share your neighborhood's good news or problems that need attention.

*Mitch N. Mashburn*

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## Animal Shelter Needs Volunteers Like You



Looking for a rewarding way to give back to the community AND spend time with furry friends at the same time? Our county animal shelter on Claybank Road in Fairfield is in desperate need of volunteers and it has opportunities right now for all abilities and time commitments. Volunteering at

the shelter has been a personal commitment for me and my family for many years – I hope you'll consider joining me and making a difference in the lives of these abandoned pets.

Give Amanda Hoover, the shelter Volunteer Coordinator, a call at (707) 784-1361 and let her know Mitch sent you. You can also reach the Animal shelter at their main number (707) 784-1356.

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## It's Fire Season Again, Be Prepared



In recent years, most of the 5th District has been touched by fire in one way or another. From evacuations in Paradise Valley and South Vacaville, to the deep fog of smoke that seemed to never go away, we're likely to face the threat again here in Solano County, maybe even this year. Don't let the cooling temperatures fool you, until the rains hit in earnest, we're still at risk.

There are steps you can take to protect your home, valuables and most important, your family. A little prevention goes a long way, plus you can get a plan in place if an evacuation is headed your way. Get helpful tips [here](#).

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## Delta Tunnels: Make Your Voice Heard

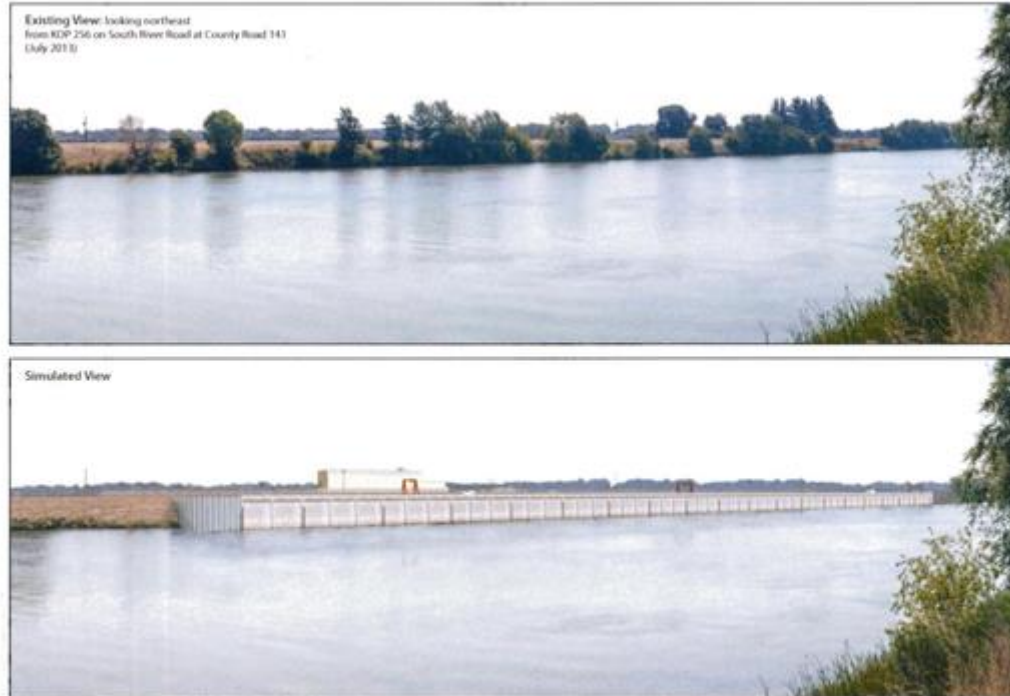


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Existing and Simulated Views of Intake 2 East from South River Road  
(Alternative 4)

When Mark Twain was a newspaper reporter in California and Nevada, he noted that in the West, “Whiskey is for drinking and water is for fighting.” Not much has changed since Twain’s time, and we once again find ourselves in a fight to protect Northern California water from being drained through tunnels to the Southern California deserts.

Your voice is critical to stop this ill-conceived concept that sacrifices our drinking water, agricultural water and water desperately needed to protect the environment in our Delta. First, take a few minutes to learn more [here](#) - you can download a fact sheet to share with friends.

Second, take just a couple minutes to comment on the Environmental Impact Report for this project – it can be as simple as, “I oppose the Delta tunnels because they’re bad for the environment, bad for water users and hurt locally-owned farms and ranches that provide our food.” Visit the Department of Water Resources to email, comment online or mail a comment [here](#).

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## About Me, The 5th District and Contacting My Office

### About Me

I'm honored to serve as your representative on the Solano County Board of Supervisors since taking office in January 2021. As you may know, I spent 10 years on the Vacaville City Council and retired from the Solano County Sheriff's Office – I've spent my entire adult life in public service, and I'm pleased to be able to continue in this new role. My wife, Tonya, and I were both raised here, and are raising our girls here. I'm committed not just to strengthening our communities today, but to ensuring the next generation has the opportunity to thrive.

### About the 5<sup>th</sup> District

The 5<sup>th</sup> District is a beautiful little slice of Solano County – including the City of Rio Vista, Elmira, portions of the Cities of Fairfield, Suisun City and Vacaville, as well as the beautiful rolling hills of Eastern Solano County. The 5th District is the proud home of thousands of airmen and civilian employees at Travis Air Force Base, hundreds of small farms, orchards and ranches, and a portion of the San Francisco Bay Delta – the largest estuary on the west coast of North and South America, and the world's only inland Delta.

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