

- I. 2000-2001 Grand Jury report on COUNTY GOVERNMENT SPACE NEEDS
- II. Published May 7, 2001
- III. The 2000-2001 Grand Jury formed a committee to investigate the need for additional office space for several departments. Leasing additional properties in the City of Santa Barbara did not seem necessary when the County owns forty acres in the South County and eighty acres in the North County that should be developed for new County Government centers. The County is presently short more than 300,000 sq. ft. of office space and the predicted deficit is almost 500,000 sq. ft. by the year 2005.
- IV. Key Grand Jury Recommendations where there is disagreement or need for follow up:

**Recommendation 2: The Board of Supervisors (BOS) should consider an obvious solution to the current and future space needs: Build a Government center campus in both the North and South County.**

BOS Response: Requires further analysis: This recommendation is premature. The Five Phase space planning project will provide a Master Facility Plan which will present solutions that have been developed and considered by all stakeholders including the community and from all perspectives from environmental to fiscal. One priority for increasing space will be to make highest and best use of currently developed County property.

2001-2002 Grand Jury comment: This response does not comply with the requirements of Section 933.05 (b) (3) of the California Penal Code in that the parameters for analysis or study are not described nor is the timeframe for the matter to be presented to the relevant decision maker identified. The maximum time allowed by law for this analysis is six months from the report publication date. As of January 2, 2002 no response has been received.

- V. Synopsis:
- Number of responses to recommendations required – 3
  - Number of responses to recommendations in which the respondent agreed with or implemented the recommendation – 1
  - Number of responses to recommendations in which the respondent disagreed with the recommendation – 1
  - Number of responses to recommendations in which the respondent requires analysis or study to finalize position -- 1