Madera County AVA Program Extension

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New Policy
Madera County (County Code [CC] 20) has extended their Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) program to September 30, 2025.

All other counties that currently have an AVA program will continue to participate and DMV will continue to collect their AVA fees. For the complete list of participating counties, see the Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Appendix 1A at www.dmv.ca.gov.

Procedures
Continue to collect and submit AVA fees for vehicles with a registration address or an allocated county status in an AVA participating county.

Business Partner Automation (BPA) program participants that process vehicle registration and titling transactions will continue processing applications as normal; programming will generate the correct AVA fees by county.

Background
A California city, county, or city and county may adopt an ordinance which establishes procedures for the abatement and removal of abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles from private or public property.

To fund the AVA programs, vehicles registered or allocated in participating jurisdictions are assessed a $1 AVA fee; an additional $2 AVA fee is assessed on vehicles subject to the Commercial Vehicle Registration Act (CVRA).

California counties may extend the sunset (end) date for their AVA program in 10-year increments. Madera County has approved resolutions to extend their AVA sunset date.

Distribution
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References
California Vehicle Code §§9250.7(g) and 22660
Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Appendix 1A

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