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## **Public Meeting on Proposed New Nevada City Courthouse**

**What:** A public meeting hosted by California's Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and the Superior Court of Nevada County will present information about potential sites for the new Nevada City courthouse. The agenda is attached.

At the meeting, the public and interested parties will have an opportunity to hear an overview of the proposed project and comment on the site selection process to date. The AOC plans a later community meeting to receive public comments about the scope of a planned environmental impact review under the California Environmental Quality Act.

**When:** Tuesday, December 14, 2010, 6 pm to 9 pm

**Where:** Nevada County Board of Supervisors Chambers, Eric Rood Administrative Center, 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, California 95959

**Who:** The AOC's Office of Court Construction and Management will present project information and a brief overview of sites under consideration, and interested parties may ask questions and provide verbal comments or submit written comments.

**Why:** The current historic courthouse is a significant town landmark but no longer adequate to serve as the main facility for the Superior Court of Nevada County. The court's current space is unsafe, substandard, overcrowded, and functionally deficient. A state study applying current design standards indicates that the court needs more than twice the square footage it currently occupies. The current courthouse cannot be suitably renovated, and its current site is inadequate to accommodate the planned new courthouse. Nevada County holds title to the current courthouse, and after completion of the planned new courthouse, the court will vacate its space. The planned project, with an estimated total cost of \$107.9 million, is funded by Senate Bill 1407 (2008), which finances critically needed courthouse construction and renovation through a portion of judicial branch fees, penalties, and assessments, with no impact on the state's General Fund.

For more information, visit [www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/occm/projects\\_nevada.htm](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/occm/projects_nevada.htm).

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**NEVADA CITY COURTHOUSE  
COMMUNITY MEETING  
December 14, 2010  
6 pm**

**AGENDA**

1. Introductions
2. The Current “Short List” of Sites
3. Other Sites Considered
4. Schedule and Process for Moving Forward
5. Breakout for Stations
6. Q&A