



June 18, 2020

To Our Community,

A little less than a month ago, the Madera District Fair Board of Directors announced the cancellation of all of the livestock shows and auction at the 2020 Madera Fair. At that time we all knew that there was a possibility that the Fair would be cancelled as well, but felt the need to hold off on that decision and continue to work with our county and with the State in the hopes of being able to present some type of an event to our community. As a Board and staff, we knew that there was no way that this “social distancing” Fair would look anything like a traditional Fair, but we also knew in our hearts that our community needed to be able to come together and celebrate as one instead of being stuck in our homes.

Sadly, those heartfelt hopes were dashed by the realization that both the State and Madera County do not see Stage 4 events occurring until sometime after the first of the year. As a result, at its meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Madera District Fair voted unanimously to cancel the 2020 Madera Fair.

We know that many in our community will be upset by this decision and they have every right to be. However, the directives from State and Local officials are clear; The Fair falls under Stage 4, and Stage 4 events will not be allowed until a vaccine or therapy for the treatment of COVID-19 has been developed which is not anticipated to occur in the current year.

We ask for your support with these decisions in this difficult time but please know that we are looking for a time soon when we can get together as a community.

Sincerely,

Tom Mitchell, CEO

Isabel Barreras, Board President