



December 9, 2025

Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, California 93301

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF CLOSURE
FOR THE RIDGECREST BRANCH LIBRARY AT 131 E. LAS FLORES AVE,
RIDGECREST, FROM JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 23, 2026, WITH
PUBLIC REOPENING ON FEBRUARY 24, 2026
(FISCAL IMPACT: NONE)**

On September 9, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved the temporary closure of the Ridgecrest Branch Library, located at 131 East Las Flores Avenue, Ridgecrest, from Tuesday, November 4, 2025, through Monday, January 19, 2026. This closure, documented in Resolution No. 2025-167, was authorized to facilitate life-safety and critical maintenance improvements funded by the Building Forward Library Infrastructure Grant, administered by the California State Library.

The Library respectfully requests an extension of this temporary closure due to unforeseen shipping delays affecting the completion timeline. As a result, the public reopening—originally scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2026—is now proposed for Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

To ensure transparency and minimize disruption, the public will be notified of the extended closure and revised reopening date through standard media channels. Notices will also be posted at the Ridgecrest Branch Library. During this period, patrons will be directed to access Kern County Library's 24/7 online services at www.kerncountylibrary.org and to visit other branch locations as needed.

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board adopt proposed resolution authorizing the temporary extension of closure for the Ridgecrest Branch Library and will now open to the public on Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andie Sullivan for".

Andie Sullivan,
Director of Libraries

cc: CAO
County Counsel
General Services
AS

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the matter of:

Resolution No. _____

**EXTEND TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF
KERN COUNTY LIBRARY, RIDGECREST
BRANCH LIBRARY FROM TUESDAY,
JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 23, 2026,
WITH PUBLIC REOPENING ON FEBRUARY
24, 2026**

I, NANCY ANDERSON, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, State of California, certify that the following resolution, on motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern at a regular meeting on the 9th day of December, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

NANCY ANDERSON
County Administrative Officer
Clerk of the Board

Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION

Section 1. WHEREAS:

(a) Pursuant to Section 2.08.010 of the Ordinance Code of the County of Kern, this Board may, by Resolution, approve changes to regular business hours or authorize closure of County public buildings as required; and

(b) The Director of Libraries informs this Board that it is necessary to delay the public reopening of the Ridgecrest Branch Library, located at 131 East Las Flores Avenue,

Ridgecrest from January 20 to February 23, 2026, to reopen to the public on Tuesday, February 24, 2026. This extended closure is due to unforeseen shipping delays affecting the completion timeline.

Section 2. IT IS RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, State of California, as follows:

1. The above-recited facts are true and correct, and this Board has jurisdiction to act on this matter.

2. This Board hereby approves the closure extension of the Ridgecrest Branch Library located at 131 East Las Flores Avenue, Ridgecrest from Tuesday, January 20, 2026, to reopen to the public on Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

3. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall transmit copies of this Resolution to the following:

Director of Libraries
County Administrative Office
Office of the County Counsel

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