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Leslie Morgan, Shasta County Assessor-Recorder, announced that approximately 7,600 Property Statements have been mailed to businesses and aircraft owners in Shasta County.

Ms. Morgan stated that, pursuant to State law, Shasta County businesses are required to annually report their fixtures, supplies, machinery and equipment and other taxable business assets on the Business Property Statement. Aircraft owners are required to supply the Assessor with information pertaining to the description, condition and location of their aircraft.

Electronic filing of the Business Property Statement for business property accounts already established with the Assessor is available. Anyone interested in the e-filing process must contact the Assessor's Office at 225-3640.

The Assessor wants to remind everyone that the annual property tax lien date is January 1st. The "lien date" is the date of valuation of property on the local assessment roll. It is the date when property taxes become a "lien" on property, preceding the fiscal year (July 1 through June 30) for which those taxes are levied. For the fiscal year running from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, property will be valued and property taxes will become a lien on January 1, 2009.

Accordingly, the 2009 Business Property Statement will represent the owner's declaration of costs as of **12:01 AM, January 1, 2009** and must be completed and returned to the Assessor by **April 1, 2009**. Anyone needing assistance in completing the forms should feel free to contact the Business Property Division of the Assessor's Office at 225-3640. Residents of the Intermountain area are encouraged to call the Intra-County toll free number (800) 479-8009 and ask for the Business Property Division of the Assessor's Office.

The Assessor also noted that boat and aircraft owners who have sold their boat or aircraft prior to **January 1, 2009** should notify the office of the date of sale and supply the name and address of the new owner.

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