San Mateo County Federal Update

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Current Federal Landscape: Congress

San Mateo County Congressional Delegation

- Senator Alex Padilla
- Senator Adam Schiff (new)
- Representative Kevin Mullin
- Representative Sam Liccardo (new)

Republicans have majorities in both the House and the Senate

- House of Representatives: Republicans currently hold 218 seats to Democrates 215 seates (2 vacant seates due to resignations)
- Senate: Republicans hold 53 seats to Democrats 47 seats



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Current Federal Landscape: Trump Administration

President Trump was sworn in office on Monday, January 20th

To date, the Senate has confirmed 10 cabinet secretaries including at DOT, HUD, EPA, and DOJ

Trump Administration is working to fill more than 4,000 political appointee positions across the federal agencies

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President Trump Executive Orders

On his first day in office, President Trump issued a total of 46 presidential actions:

- 0 26 Executive Orders
- \circ 12 Memorandums
- \circ 4 Proclamations
- 0 4 Staffing announcements

Additionally, President Trump revoked 56 executive orders and presidential memorandums from previous administrations.

Presidential Executive Orders can only direct federal agencies.

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Federal Funding Freeze

January 27—The White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) sent a two -page memo to all federal agencies entitled "Temporary Pause of Agency Grant, Loan, and Other Financial Assistance Programs" (M -25-13).

January 28—OMB provides two additional documents to federal agencies regarding the funding freeze; U.S. District judge issued a temporary injunction blocking the proposed freeze until February 3rd.

January 29—OMB rescinds its Monday evening directive (M -25-13) which was believed to halt the freeze; hours later White House Press Secretary makes a statement that the funding freeze is not halted; a coalition of 22 state attorneys general (AGs) filed suit in U.S. District Court to seek a temporary restraining order to the funding freeze.

January 31—Judge sides with 22 AGs and grants a temporary restraining order against the funding freeze.

February 3—A second temporary restraining order is issued against the funding freeze.

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What Comes Next?

Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations

- Currently, federal government is funding through a Continuing Resolution (CR) that is set to expire on March 14th
- Congress will need to act prior to March 14th to avoid a government shutdown

Impoundment

• Can federal agencies withhold federal funding that Congress has appropriated?

Budget Reconciliation

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