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## DISTRICT ATTORNEY ADDS RIVERA INFO TO WEBSITE

Recognizing the ongoing media interest in the capital murder trial of Cuitlahuac Tahua Rivera, the Merced County District Attorney's office will be maintaining a daily update of scheduled witnesses throughout the trial on its website, District Attorney Larry D. Morse II announced today.

Each day during the trial, slated to begin Wednesday, April 11 in Colusa, California, there will be an update posted at or around 5 p.m. listing the anticipated witnesses scheduled for the next trial day. The trial, scheduled to last six weeks, will be conducted Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays of each week until completed. Judge William Abel of Colusa County Superior Court, who will preside at the trial, has announced that trial will begin each day at 9 a.m. and end between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

"We are well aware of the interest of our local news organizations in the Rivera trial. We want to accommodate coverage by providing information regarding the witnesses likely to be called to testify the following day," Morse said. "Although we will do our best to make this information as accurate as possible, jury trials are often unpredictable and changes in the order or length of witness testimony are frequent," he added.

The Merced County District Attorney website can be accessed at: [www.co.merced.ca.us/da](http://www.co.merced.ca.us/da)

District Attorney Morse is prosecuting the case with Merced County Deputy District Attorney Mark Bacciarini. Rivera is being represented by C. Logan McKechnie and Dominic Falasco.

Jury selection will begin tomorrow, Wednesday, April 11 at 9 a.m. in Judge Abel's courtroom in the historic Colusa County Courthouse at 547 Market Street in downtown Colusa.