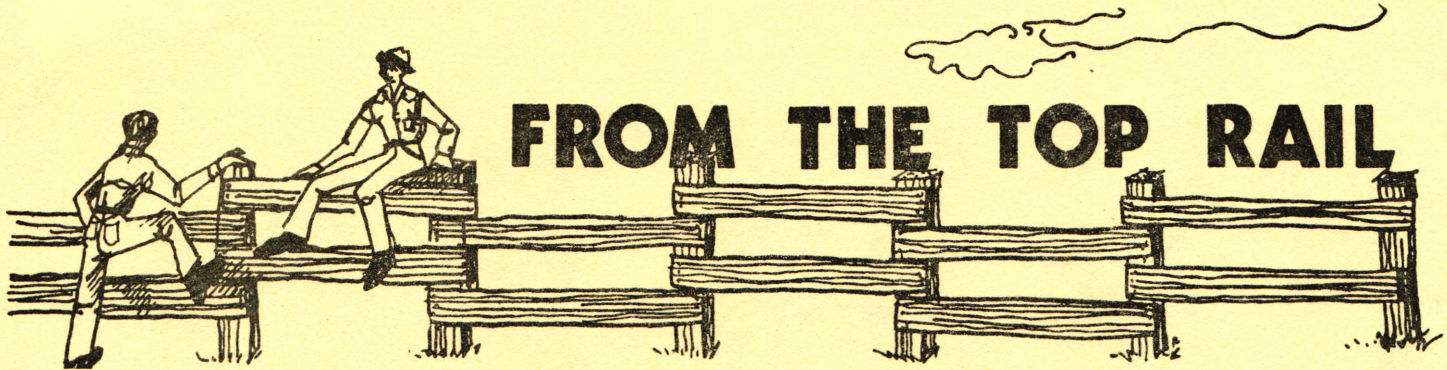




March 1988

BEEF REFERENDUM VOTE - MAY 10, 1988

Beef producers will vote on May 10th whether or not to continue the National Beef Promotion and Research Order. The Referendum will be held one (1) day only with registration and voting occurring on the same day. The important details concerning the Referendum are outlined for Merced County beef producers.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Producers who owned or acquired ownership of cattle during the period of October 1, 1986, through March 31, 1988.

"A group of individuals, such as members of a family, joint tenants, tenants in common, a partnership, or owners of community property engaged in the production of cattle, is a producer entity and shall be entitled to cast only one vote."

2. Importers who imported cattle, beef, or beef products during the same period.
3. 4-H and FFA members, and other youth who have owned cattle in their own name during the same period.

VOTING

1. Voter registration and voting will occur on the same day.
2. Voting Date and Times

Tuesday, May 10, 1988, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

2145 W. Wardrobe Avenue, Merced, California 95340-6496 - Phone: (209) 385-7403

VOTING (continued)

3. Voting Place

University of California Cooperative Extension
Office
2145 West Wardrobe Avenue
Merced, CA 95340

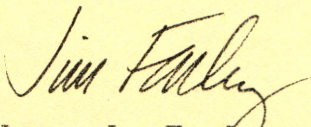
ABSENTEE VOTING

1. An absentee ballot may be requested in writing from

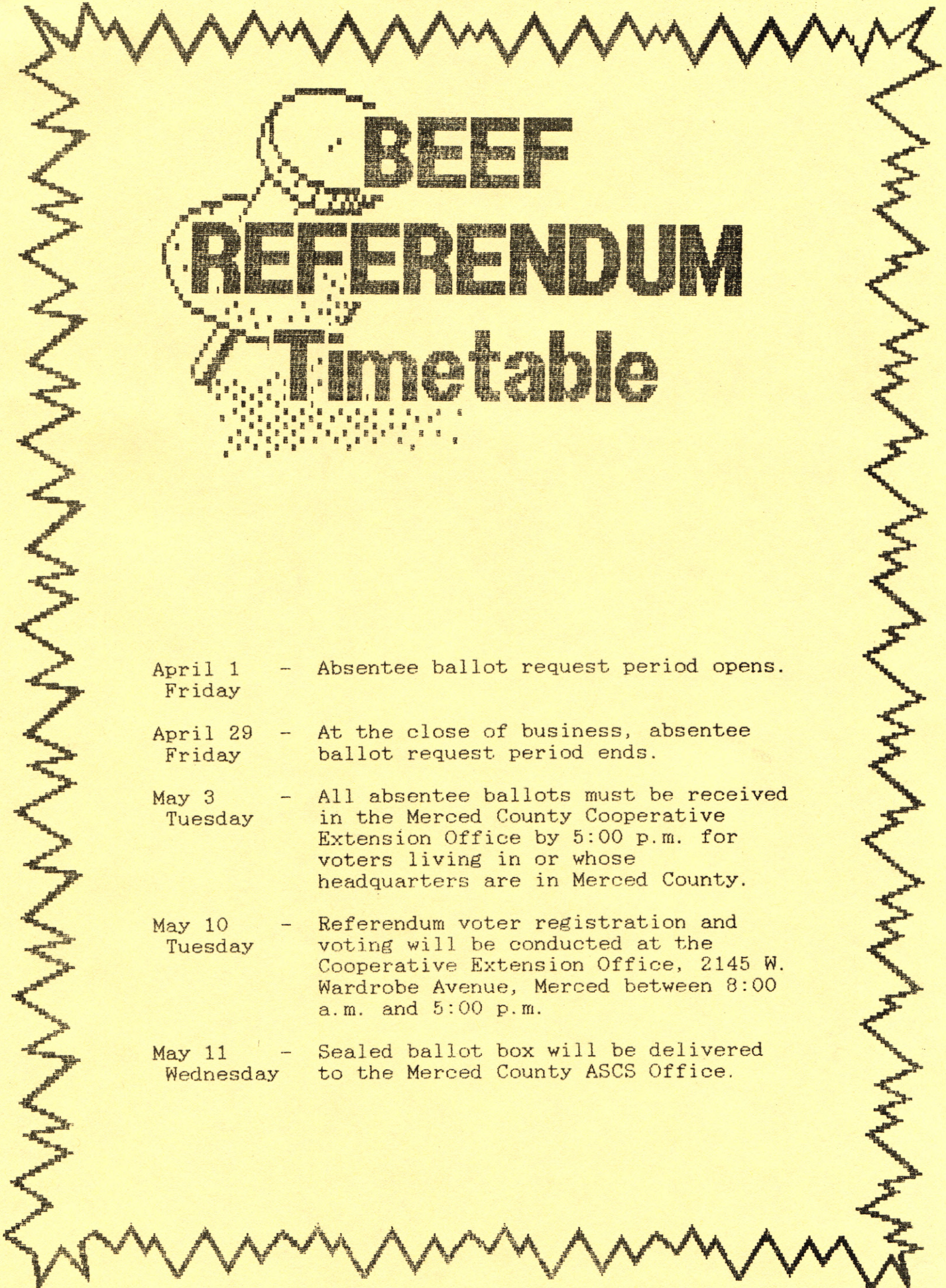
Cooperative Extension Headquarters-
Beef Referendum
University of California
Davis, CA 95616.
2. A card to request an absentee ballot may be obtained
either in person or by telephoning the Merced County
Cooperative Extension office.
3. Absentee ballots must be mailed so as to be received in
the Merced County Cooperative Extension Office by 5:00
p.m., May 3, 1988.

These are the highlights and most important facts concerning the
Beef Referendum. Should you have any questions regarding any
particular aspect of the Beef Referendum, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



James L. Farley
Livestock Advisor



BEEF **REFERENDUM** **Timetable**

- April 1 - Absentee ballot request period opens.
Friday
- April 29 - At the close of business, absentee
Friday ballot request period ends.
- May 3 - All absentee ballots must be received
Tuesday in the Merced County Cooperative
Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. for
voters living in or whose
headquarters are in Merced County.
- May 10 - Referendum voter registration and
Tuesday voting will be conducted at the
Cooperative Extension Office, 2145 W.
Wardrobe Avenue, Merced between 8:00
a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- May 11 - Sealed ballot box will be delivered
Wednesday to the Merced County ASCS Office.