



# News Release

**George Runner, Member**

**2<sup>nd</sup> District – Lancaster**

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## **Tax Relief Available to Taxpayers Impacted by Clover Fire**

**Sacramento** – The Board of Equalization is reaching out to tax and fee payers affected by the devastating Clover Fire in Shasta County. BOE staff will be available on both Wednesday, September 25 and Thursday, September 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at a Local Assistance Center, located at the Shasta County Administration Center at 1450 Court Street, Room 137, Redding.

“If you lost your home, property, or tax records in this wildfire, we are here to help,” said George Runner, Second District Member of BOE. “Contact us at the center, online or by phone for help with requesting extensions, copies of your records, or relief from interest and penalties.”

### **Requesting Relief**

In addition to visiting the Local Assistance Center, tax and fee payers can go [online](#) to request relief from penalty and/or interest, and an extension of time to file a tax/fee return.

Those without internet access may call the BOE customer service center at 1-800-400-7115 (TTY: 711), Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific Time).

Relief from penalty and interest is available for the following programs.

Sales and Use Taxes	Oil Spill Prevention Fee and Oil Spill Response Fee
Fire Prevention Fee	Lumber Products Assessment
Alcoholic Beverage Tax	Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee
Cigarettes and Tobacco Products Taxes	Integrated Waste Management Fee
Energy Resources Surcharge	Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee
Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge	Electronic Waste Recycling (eWaste) Fee
Natural Gas Surcharge	Marine Invasive Species Fee (Ballast Water Management Fee)
Timber Yield Tax	California Tire Fee (Tire recycling fee)
Fuel Taxes (Diesel Fuel Tax, Interstate User Tax, Use Fuel Tax, Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, Aircraft Jet Fuel)	Hazardous Substances Program Fees (Environmental Fee, Activity Fee, Generator Fee, Disposal Fee, Facility Fee)

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Information is also available in [Spanish](#) (Información está disponible en [español](#) ).

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Elected in November 2010, George Runner represents the State Board of Equalization's Second District. He is a leading advocate for California taxpayers. Runner has worked to improve California's tax policies and practices and to create and retain more private sector jobs in our state. Prior to his election to the Board, Runner served twelve years in the State Legislature, authoring the well-known California Amber Alert and California's Blue Alert. As a thoughtful conservative, his legislative priorities included improving the economy, business growth, education excellence, and public safety for all Californians. As a member of the Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee, Runner consistently led the fight against tax increases and supported tax relief for families and businesses.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit [www.taxes.ca.gov](http://www.taxes.ca.gov).

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