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ABC Investigators Post Suspension Notice at Morgan Hill Bowl *ABC Licensed Business is Disciplined for Operating a Disorderly House*

Morgan Hill – ABC Investigators have posted a 15 day Notice of Suspension at Morgan Hill Bowl located at 650 Tennant Station Rd in Morgan Hill. Today's action means the location cannot sell alcoholic beverages for the next 15 days.

In addition, Morgan Hill Bowl is on probation for the next 18 months and if any similar violations occur, ABC has the authority to take further disciplinary action up to revocation of their license. ABC has also imposed conditions on the license including restricting alcoholic beverage service, entertainment, and security measures.

ABC suspended the license after the Department reviewed police reports and numerous calls for police service that occurred between May, 2008 and May, 2009. Based on the accumulation of reports of battery, fights, public drunkenness and narcotics, the licensee was found to be operating a Disorderly Premises.

The Department received several complaints regarding the operation of the premises and the drain on police services required to maintain order.

ABC investigators and the Morgan Hill Police Department worked closely together during an on-going investigation. The investigation revealed the premises was operating in violation of the rules and laws governing the operation of a restaurant with an alcoholic beverage license. "This is an outstanding example of two agencies working together to achieve a common goal of making the community safer by reducing alcohol-related crime," said ABC Director Steve Hardy.

ABC is a department of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, which is under the direction of Secretary Dale E. Bonner, a member of the Governor's Cabinet.