

On 10/13/2009 12:38 PM, Brad Jensen wrote:

Dr. Anderson,

I understand what you're saying about the data fields that are subject to change and I do make allowances for them.

Please include the LOCATION field AND while not originally requested, please include the less specific data field you describe as AREA.

I also ask if there's any way we can expedite this request. I had expected to have a little more time to work with these records. Deadline to submit request for grant money (for SLO) is the 15th. We now only have two days left.

Regards,

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eanderson@co.slo.ca.us wrote:

Mr. Jensen,

Your inquiry is very timely as our IT staff and I just had a discussion regarding some of the specific data fields you requested this morning and some direction from you is needed.

First, we record jurisdictions of animal impounds but we do not actually capture a "Location" field. However, we do have a less specific "Area" field (eg. Main St. x Grand Ave. vs. 1234 Grand St.)

Second, because of the way our kennel data is captured, some aspects of the animal information are dynamic and the info provided in the requested report would not necessarily be reflective of the animal's status at the time of impound. That is, information specific to the impound - animal ID, intake date, outcome dates, outcome types, etc. - is captured within the kennel record and is thus static, reflecting the actual conditions / information at the time the record is created or updated. However, information which is retrieved from a record cross referenced by the kennel record would reflect the CURRENT information, rather than the information as it existed at the time of impound. Thus, if information in a cross referenced record was updated after the kennel record was closed and finalized, a report would yield the information as it exists today. This is most relevant with regards to information specific to individual animals. Example: A 6 month old intact, male, unlicensed dog w/ ID# A123456 is

