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USPS Delays Closing Of 252 Mail Processing Centers, 3,700 Post Offices

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STOCKTON, Calif. -- The U.S. Postal Service says it will delay the closing of 252 mail processing centers and 3,700 local post offices, including a facility in Stockton, until May 2012.

The delay will give Congress more time to pass legislation that would give the Postal Service more authority and liquidity to stave off bankruptcy.

One of the offices affected by the delay is in Stockton, according to a news release from the office of Rep. Jerry McNerney, D-Pleasanton.

“I am glad that the Postal Service has recognized it needs more time to make a responsible decision about closing the Stockton facility. I know they have tough choices to make, and I am glad that they have listened to our concerns and are taking into more serious consideration how their decisions will affect American people and businesses,” McNerney said in the news release.

The closure of the facility would result in the loss of 187 jobs in Stockton.