

## **FESD Town Hall Meeting – Talking Points**

### **FFLC**

- **FESD Welcomes New FFLC Assistant Branch Chief Tracey Robertson**

In June of 2010 FFLC Specialist Tracey Robertson was promoted to the position of FFLC Assistant Branch Chief.

- **FFL Population**

At the close of FY2010, the FFL population was approximately 118,400. This represents more than 2.5% increase over the FFL population at the end of FY2009. The total figure represents an increase in every category of Federal firearms licenses issued under the Gun Control Act. Currently the largest number of GCA licensees is 03-Collectors, which represent approximately 48% of the ATF licensee population. 01-Dealers and 02-Pawnbrokers represent approximately 46% of the ATF licensee population.

### **NFA Branch**

- **FESD Welcomes New NFA Branch Chief Ed Saavedra**

In August of 2010, Ed Saavedra left his post as Area Supervisor of the Salt Lake City IOI field office and reported to Martinsburg as the new NFA branch chief.

- **NFA Application Volume**

FY2010 set a new record for the number of transfer applications received by the NFA Branch for the making, import, transfer, export and interstate movement of NFA firearms. There were more than 91,900 application forms processed in FY2010, which accounts for a 6% increase over FY2009, which had set the previous record with 86,753 applications processed. 2010 marked the sixth straight year of annual increases in NFA applications. The overall trend is dramatic when you consider that FY2005 had a total volume of 41,579 applications.

Earlier in the year ATF released its new NFA customer service standard on the ATF website. Currently, ATF's customer service goal is to process ATF Forms 1 and ATF

Forms 4 within 4 months of receipt of the application. The customer service standard for processing all other types of NFA applications (i.e., those which don't generally require tax processing or background checks) is within one month of ATF's receipt of the application. It is important to keep in mind that incomplete or incorrect applications slow ATF's ability to take final action. If you wish to confirm receipt of an application by ATF or obtain a status check on a pending application, please contact our customer service contractors at the ATF NFA branch.

- **NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT HANDBOOK**

Available online at:

<http://www.atf.gov/publications/download/p/atf-p-5320-8/atf-p-5320-8.pdf>

- **FESD Welcomes New Imports Chief William Majors**

Earlier in January, ATF announced the selection of William Majors to replace Kevin Boydston as the Chief of the Firearms and Explosives Imports Branch.

## **AFMER REPORT- Annual Firearms Manufacturing and Exportation Report (AFMER)**

- This is a reminder that Federally licensed firearms manufacturers (type 07 and 10 licenses) will be required to submit their 2010 AFMER reports to ATF by April 1, 2011. We will be issuing the annual filing notice by the end of February 2011. This year, filers will again have the option to forward their report to ATF in a PDF format as an email attachment. Our eventual goal is an electronic form, but that technology will not be ready in time for this filing season.

In addition, ATF will release the calendar 2009 AFMER data on its website by the end of January 2011. We appreciate your cooperation in submitting this data to us and welcome any questions you have about the process.