

**PLACER COUNTY**  
**COMPOSITE SAMPLE BALLOT**  
**PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION**  
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## Modified Closed Primary and Non-Partisan Voters

The California Primary election system is unique in that it allows non-partisan voters, also known as decline to state voters, to vote either a non-partisan ballot or a ballot from a political party that allows cross-over voting. (Non-partisan voters are voters who have registered non-partisan, have declined to state a political party or are registered with a non-qualified political party.)

If you did not select a political party when you registered to vote, some of the political parties will allow you to vote for their candidates. Upon request, you can vote a ballot of any political party that has notified the Secretary of State that it will permit non-partisan voters to help nominate their candidates.

The following political parties are allowing non-partisan voters to request and vote their party's ballot at the February 5, 2008, Presidential Primary Election:

- **American Independent Party** (*all American Independent candidates*)
- **Democratic Party** (*all Democratic candidates*)

The Green Party, Libertarian Party, Peace and Freedom Party and the Republican Party will not be allowing non-partisan voters to vote in this election, but they may allow non-partisan voters to participate in the upcoming June Primary Election. As always, you may choose to vote for the nominee of any political party on the November General Election ballot.

You may NOT request more than one party's ballot. If you do not request a specific ballot, you will be given a non-partisan ballot containing only state and local measures to be voted upon at the February 5, 2008, Presidential Primary Election.

**How and when to choose:** To receive a party ballot, go to your polling place on Election Day and state your choice to the poll worker. If voting a vote by mail ballot, follow the application instructions on the back cover of this booklet.

You may contact the Elections Division if you have questions about this process at 530-886-5650 or toll free in California at 1-800-824-8683. You may also contact the Secretary of State's Office at their toll free number 1-800-345-8683 or visit their website at [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov) for more information.

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# You may vote by mail every election!

Would you like to make voting more convenient?

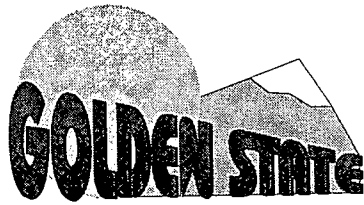
Would you like more time to review your voting choices in the comfort of your own home?

## Become a Permanent Vote By Mail (PVBM) Voter

Some voters may not know that state law allows all voters to receive a ballot by mail. PVBM Voters receive their ballots about 4 weeks before every election. It gives them time to think about their voting choices, return their ballot on or before Election Day and they do not have to plan time to appear at a specific polling place. Currently in Placer County, almost half of all registered voters are PVBM Voters.

To request PVBM status, complete and return the vote by mail application on the back of this sample ballot booklet. Our office will process the application and you will automatically receive a ballot for each election. If the signature line indicates you're already a PVBM Voter, then there is no need to return the application. Your ballot is on its way.

For more information about this service, please call the Placer County Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California, 1-800-824-8683.



## IMPORTANT VOTER INFORMATION!

There are four ways to vote in Placer County:

1. **Polling Place Voting:** Your polling place is listed on the front of this sample ballot booklet. Polls are open on Election Day from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Find your polling place by going to the Elections Division website at [www.placer.ca.gov/elections](http://www.placer.ca.gov/elections) or by calling the Elections Division office at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 for directions.

2. **Vote by Mail Ballot Voting:** You may request a vote by mail ballot by using the form on the back of this sample ballot booklet or by printing a copy from the website listed above.

If you do not receive your requested vote by mail ballot within five days, please call the Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 to request another vote by mail ballot.

3. **Mail Ballot Precinct Voting:** Your ballot is automatically mailed to you.

Your voted vote by mail ballot must be received by the Elections Division no later than 8:00 PM on Election Day. If your ballot arrives later than February 5, 2008 (even with a February 5, 2008 postmark), your ballot cannot be counted. If you prefer, you may drop off your ballot at any Placer County polling place on Election Day or at the Elections Division any day from January 7, 2008 until Election Day. We also have a 24-hour drive-up ballot drop-off box located at 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn.

4. **Early Voting at the Elections Division in Auburn:** Beginning 29 days before each election, the Placer County Elections Division opens as a polling place providing voters with ballots they can vote at the office or take home. The Elections Division is located at 2956 Richardson Drive in Auburn and is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Please telephone us or visit our website listed above for additional information.

**FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE** the Elections Division in Auburn will be open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on the following weekend days prior to the Election. Placer County voters can come to the Elections Division located at 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn to vote, pick up vote by mail ballots or drop off their voted ballots.

**Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**No matter how you vote whether it's at the polls or vote by mail  
make sure and VOTE - have your voice heard on February 5, 2008!**

**Voters: Your polling place location and/or mail ballot precinct status may have changed and here is why...**

On the front cover of this sample ballot booklet, you will find your polling place location. If you live in a mail ballot precinct, no polling place will be listed. Instead, this information will be blank and your official ballot will be mailed to you.

In certain areas of Placer County, voters receive their official ballots in the mail instead of at the polls. These areas are called "Mail Ballot Precincts." Other times, factors like growth, polling place availability or boundary line adjustments change your voting location or status.

Some voters like vote by mail ballots because they enjoy the convenience of voting from home. Other voters prefer voting at a polling place. While we attempt to provide a polling place for every voter, this is not always possible. *Furthermore, it is not always possible to have voters go back to the same polling place for each election.*

Additionally, some voters will find that they have been moved to new polling places or into mail ballot precincts because of "reapportionment." Reapportionment (and redistricting) refers to the process of moving Congressional, Senate, Assembly and Supervisorial district lines to make representation more equal among citizens. Reapportionment occurs after every national census.



**PLEASE READ THE FRONT COVER OF YOUR SAMPLE BALLOT BOOKLET BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO DETERMINE YOUR VOTING STATUS OR LOCATION.**

**You may also locate your polling place and obtain driving directions from our website at [www.placer.ca.gov/elections](http://www.placer.ca.gov/elections).**

If your polling place will be inconvenient to go to on Election Day, the Elections Division can mail you a vote by mail ballot that you may vote in the privacy of your home. You may request a vote by mail ballot by using the form on the back cover of this booklet. *If you are a permanent vote by mail voter or are in a mail ballot precinct, you do not need to complete this application because a ballot will automatically be mailed to you.*

If you are a mail ballot precinct voter and would prefer to vote at a polling place, starting January 7<sup>th</sup>, you may come to the Elections Division during office hours and vote your official ballot in person. Please call 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 for directions to our Auburn office.

No matter how you vote, at the polls, by mail ballot or in the Elections Division...

**Please be sure to vote on Election Day!**

## PLACER COUNTY VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Your right to vote is important to us. The Placer County Elections Division compiled this information to explain the election process, your voting rights and some of the services we offer.

### **#1 - The Right to Vote**

You may vote in a scheduled election if you are a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by Election Day, not currently in prison or on parole for a felony conviction, live in Placer County, and provide us with a completed voter registration card at least 15 days before the scheduled election. If you go to the polls and are not listed on our registration rolls, you have the right to cast a provisional ballot. You also have the right to vote as long as you are in line at your polling place before the polls close at 8:00 PM. There are a few exceptions to these rules, so contact the Elections Division with any questions.

### **#2 - The Right Not to Vote**

State law no longer requires you to vote in every election to stay registered. If none of the candidates or issues interest you by Election Day, you can skip the election and your registration will not be deleted. In addition, if your ballot has multiple issues, you are not required to vote on all of them. Blank sections on your ballot will not affect any of your other votes.

### **#3 - The Right to Vote by Vote by Mail Ballot or Permanent Vote by Mail Ballot**

Whether you are sick, out of town or just like the convenience of voting from home, all California voters have the option of voting by a vote by mail ballot. Your written request for a vote by mail ballot must be received at least one week before the election to allow us enough time to process and mail your ballot. For best results, use the form on the back of this sample ballot booklet. You may also become a Permanent Vote by Mail voter (meaning your ballot will always be mailed to you without your having to complete an application each election). You may return your completed vote by mail ballot by mail or to any poll location in the county on Election Day or drop it at our office, but we must receive it no later than 8:00 PM Election Day.

### **#4 - The Right to Request Another Ballot**

If you make a mistake when voting your official ballot, you may return your spoiled ballot and receive a new one at the polls (or from the Elections Division if voting by a vote by mail ballot). However, state law allows us to issue no more than two replacement ballots per voter.

### **#5 - The Right to Assistance and to Ask Questions**

Important information is contained in your sample ballot booklet, at the polls, and on our website at [www.placer.ca.gov/elections](http://www.placer.ca.gov/elections). You can also take your sample ballot booklet or other voting guides with you into the polls. If you are physically unable to vote without assistance, we have devices to help you in casting your vote or an elections official or other person of your choice can aid you. Your election officials are available to answer any questions about election procedures, as well.

### **#6 - The Right to Unbiased Political Information**

Many people are so frustrated by negative political campaigning that they have decided to stop voting. While we cannot stop negative campaigning completely, we will enforce our "No Negative Attacks" policy for Candidate Statements printed in this sample ballot booklet, to the best of our ability.

### **#7 - The Right to Contact the Candidates**

Can't find out how a candidate stands on an issue? The Elections Division requires each local candidate to provide at least one public telephone number so you can have your questions answered.

### **#8 - The Right to Watch Ballots Being Counted and Observe the Canvass**

Counting ballots is a public process. Eleven days before Election Day, the Elections Division begins opening and preparing the vote by mail ballots to be included in Election Night totals. Voters may observe this process, and for years we have invited the public to come and observe Election Night activities. Voters are also allowed to watch what goes on at the polling places Election Day. For rules on how to be an Election Night or polling place observer, please contact the Elections Division. After Election Day, the election canvass begins. This is an internal audit required by state law to ensure the accuracy of election results. California election law allows 28 days to conduct the official canvass. During the canvass, vote by mail and provisional ballots not counted on Election Night are checked for eligibility, write in votes are tallied, the number of ballots cast are balanced against the number of ballots issued, and a hand count of 1% of all ballots cast in each race is performed to verify the machine count. All aspects of the canvass are open to public inspection.

### **#9 - The Right to Hold Office and to Make a Difference**

At each November election, Placer County has over 200 local offices up for election. Someone has to fill these offices – why not you? If you are registered to vote and live in a district or city going to election, you are most likely eligible. We conduct candidate workshops roughly six months before every major election, which will walk you through the candidate filing process (watch your local newspaper or call us for dates and times).

### **#10 - The Right to a Fair Election**

You have the right to report any illegal or fraudulent activity to our office or to the Secretary of State's Office. If you believe you have been denied any of your rights, or if you are aware of any election fraud or misconduct, please call us at (530) 886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 or you may use the Secretary of State's confidential, toll-free VOTER PROTECTION HOTLINE at 1-800-345-8683.

# 4 WAYS TO MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT



**VOTE EARLY AT THE ELECTIONS DIVISION IN AUBURN.** Beginning 29 days before each election, the Placer County Elections Division opens as a polling place providing voters with ballots they can vote at our office or take home. The Elections Division is located at 2956 Richardson Drive in Auburn and is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Please telephone us or visit our website listed below for additional information.



**WEEKEND VOTING AT THE ELECTIONS DIVISION IN AUBURN.** For your convenience the Elections Division located at 2956 Richardson Drive in Auburn will be open from 9:00 AM. to 4:00 PM. on the following weekend days (Saturday and Sunday) prior to the Election: January 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. During this time voters may come to the Elections Division in Auburn to vote, pick up vote by mail ballots or drop off their voted ballots. Please note: If you are coming in to pick up or drop off a vote by mail ballot for another person, you will need written authorization from that voter. *Weekend voting will not be available at other county polling places, only at the Elections Division in Auburn.*



**VOTE BY MAIL.** Beginning 29 days before an election, the Elections Division will mail ballots to voters who have requested one to be sent to their home, office or out-of-town location. To be eligible to vote by mail, you must:

- be registered to vote at your present address.
- complete an application providing your printed name, address where you live, address where you want the ballot mailed and signature in your own handwriting. An application is located on the back cover of this booklet or on our website (see below). Online applications must be printed out, signed and mailed by the deadline. Requests by E-mail are not acceptable.
- submit your request by 5:00 PM at least 7 days before Election Day. If you plan to mail in your application, you will need to make sure you allow sufficient time for the Elections Division to receive your application 7 days prior to the election. You may also deliver the application in person.

You must return your voted ballot to the Placer County Elections Division, at any Placer County polling place on Election Day or use our 24-hour drive-up ballot drop-off box (located at 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn) no later than 8:00 PM on Election Day. **An Election Day postmark is not acceptable if the ballot is received later than Election Day.**



**VOTE AT YOUR POLLING PLACE.** Polls open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM. **Your polling place location may have changed** from where you voted in the last election. Your polling place is listed on the front of this booklet. You may find polling place locations and driving directions at our website listed below. If you are assigned to a mail ballot precinct (250 or fewer voters in your area), you will automatically be mailed a ballot.

Placer County Elections Division  
2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn CA 95603  
530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683  
[www.placer.ca.gov/elections](http://www.placer.ca.gov/elections)



**PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES**  
**AMERICAN INDEPENDENT**  
**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE**  
**Vote for One**

DIANE BEALL TEMPLIN American Independent

DON J. GRUNDMANN American Independent

MAD MAX RIEKSE American Independent

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**WRITE-IN**

**LIBERTARIAN**  
**Vote for One**

DANIEL IMPERATO Libertarian

CHRISTINE SMITH Libertarian

GEORGE PHILLIES Libertarian

ROBERT MILNES Libertarian

MICHAEL P. JINGOZIAN Libertarian

BOB JACKSON Libertarian

WAYNE A. ROOT Libertarian

STEVE KUBBY Libertarian

JOHN FINAN Libertarian

BARRY HESS Libertarian

DAVE HOLLIST Libertarian

ALDEN LINK Libertarian

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**WRITE-IN**

**DEMOCRATIC**  
**Vote for One**

HILLARY CLINTON Democratic

JOE BIDEN Democratic

BARACK OBAMA Democratic

BILL RICHARDSON Democratic

DENNIS KUCINICH Democratic

MIKE GRAVEL Democratic

JOHN EDWARDS Democratic

CHRIS DODD Democratic

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**WRITE-IN**

**PEACE & FREEDOM**  
**Vote for One**

STEWART A. ALEXANDER Peace And Freedom

CYNTHIA MC KINNEY Peace And Freedom

BRIAN MOORE Peace And Freedom

RALPH NADER Peace And Freedom

STANLEY HETZ Peace And Freedom

GLORIA E. LA RIVA Peace And Freedom

JOHN CROCKFORD Peace And Freedom

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**WRITE-IN**

**GREEN**  
**Vote for One**

KENT MESPLAY Green

CYNTHIA MCKINNEY Green

JESSE JOHNSON Green

RALPH NADER Green

JARED BALL Green

ELAINE BROWN Green

KAT SWIFT Green

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**WRITE-IN**

**REPUBLICAN**  
**Vote for One**

TOM TANCREDO Republican

RUDY GIULIANI Republican

JOHN H. COX Republican

SAM BROWNBACK Republican

RON PAUL Republican

JOHN MCCAIN Republican

MITT ROMNEY Republican

ALAN KEYES Republican

MIKE HUCKABEE Republican

DUNCAN HUNTER Republican

FRED THOMPSON Republican

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**WRITE-IN**

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
STATE	
<p><b>91 TRANSPORTATION FUNDS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Prohibits certain motor vehicle fuel taxes from being retained in General Fund and delays repayment of such taxes previously retained. Changes how and when General Fund borrowing of certain transportation funds is allowed. Fiscal Impact: Increases stability of state funding for highways, streets, and roads and may decrease stability of state funding for public transit. May reduce stability of certain local funds for public transit.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	

**92 COMMUNITY COLLEGES. FUNDING. GOVERNANCE. FEES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**  
Establishes independent community college districts and Board of Governors. Requires minimum funding for schools and community colleges to be calculated separately. Sets fees at \$15/unit and limits future increases. Fiscal Impact: Increased state spending on K-14 education from 2007-08 through 2009-10 averaging about \$300 million annually, with unknown impacts annually thereafter. Potential loss in community college student fee revenues of about \$70 million annually.

YES       NO

**93 LIMITS ON LEGISLATORS' TERMS IN OFFICE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**  
Reduces permissible state legislative service to 12 years. Allows 12 years' service in one house. Current legislators can serve 12 years in current house, regardless of prior legislative service. Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state or local governments.

YES       NO

**94 REFERENDUM ON AMENDMENT TO INDIAN GAMING COMPACT.**  
Yes Vote approves, and No Vote rejects, a law that ratifies an amendment to existing gaming compact between the state and Pechanga Band of Luiseño Mission Indians. Fiscal Impact: Net increase in annual state revenues probably in the tens of millions of dollars, growing over time through 2030.

YES       NO

**95 REFERENDUM ON AMENDMENT TO INDIAN GAMING COMPACT.**  
Yes Vote approves, and No Vote rejects, a law that ratifies an amendment to existing gaming compact between the state and Morongo Band of Mission Indians. Fiscal Impact: Net increase in annual state revenues probably in the tens of millions of dollars, growing over time through 2030.

YES       NO

**96 REFERENDUM ON AMENDMENT TO INDIAN GAMING COMPACT.**  
Yes Vote approves, and No Vote rejects, a law that ratifies an amendment to existing gaming compact between the state and Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation. Fiscal Impact: Net increase in annual state revenues probably in the tens of millions of dollars, growing over time through 2030.

YES       NO

**97 REFERENDUM ON AMENDMENT TO INDIAN GAMING COMPACT.**  
Yes Vote approves, and No Vote rejects, a law that ratifies an amendment to existing gaming compact between the state and Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians. Fiscal Impact: Net increase in annual state revenues probably in the tens of millions of dollars, growing over time through 2030.

YES       NO

**MEASURES SUBMITTED  
TO THE VOTERS**

**DISTRICT**  
**DRY CREEK JOINT  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**E** To improve the quality of our local elementary and middle schools, modernize classroom technology, construct new science and computer labs, improve school security, build new schools and classrooms and become eligible for millions in additional state school construction grants, shall the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District issue \$67.3 million in bonds at lawful interest rates with all expenditures audited and reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee, and providing no money for administrator salaries?

BONDS YES       BONDS NO

**SOUTH PLACER  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**F** Shall Ordinance No. 2007/2008 - 4 which authorized the South Placer Fire Protection District to exceed the appropriations limitation imposed by Article XIII B of the California Constitution, if necessary, for four years beginning with the July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, fiscal year, be approved?

YES       NO

**LOOMIS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**G** To improve child safety and classroom learning environments by renovating our schools, including: removing asbestos and lead, upgrading faulty old fire safety equipment, electrical and plumbing systems and bathrooms, repairing leaky roofs, upgrading technology infrastructure, building two new multi-purpose rooms, and making schools legally handicap accessible, shall Loomis Union School District issue \$17,700,000 in bonds, requiring citizens' oversight, annual independent audits, and with no money for administrators' salaries?

BONDS YES       BONDS NO

**CITY OF ROCKLIN**

**H** Shall Resolution No. 2007-245 previously passed by the City Council approving a General Plan Amendment reducing allowed acreage for residential development of Clover Valley from 504 to 199 acres, and increasing the acres designated for open space from 70 to 366 acres, and reconfiguring Valley View Parkway from a 4-lane facility to a 2-lane facility be adopted?

YES       NO

**J** To continue current efforts to keep park and recreation facilities safe, clean and well maintained, shall Rocklin City Ordinance No. 926 be approved which would allow the City to continue to collect a per parcel fee; such fee would be between \$10.00 and \$45.00 per year, adjusted annually for inflation, for a period of fifteen years to be used only for park maintenance and development?

YES       NO

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## MEASURE E

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### PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR DRY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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To improve the quality of our local elementary and middle schools, modernize classroom technology, construct new science and computer labs, improve school security, build new schools and classrooms and become eligible for millions in additional state school construction grants, shall the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District issue \$67.3 million in bonds at lawful interest rates with all expenditures audited and reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee, and providing no money for administrator salaries?

BONDS YES \_\_\_\_\_ BONDS NO \_\_\_\_\_

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#### IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds by the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District (the "District") for \$67.3 million dollars. Principal and interest on the bonds would be paid from a tax placed on the taxable property of the district. The District estimates that the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue is \$30.00 per \$100,000 of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the district in the fiscal year 2014-15. (Resolution No. 2007-26.)

A general obligation bond is a form of borrowing commonly used to fund school facilities. By law, local general obligation bonds, financed through an increase in local property taxes, can be used for renovating, reconstructing, and building new facilities and for acquiring certain new equipment. To authorize such bond issuance, school districts can seek either two-thirds or 55% voter approval. If districts seek the 55% approval, as has been done by the District, they must meet additional accountability requirements.

In order to meet these additional accountability requirements, the Board of Trustees of the District has committed to the following:

- to only use the bond proceeds for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure, and not for any other purpose, including teacher or administrator salaries or other operating expense.
- that it has evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District prior to determining that a bond issuance is necessary.
- to conduct annual independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds are expended for the school projects stated in the ballot measure.

- to conduct annual, independent financial audits of the expenditure of the bond proceeds until all bond proceeds have been expended.
- to create a Citizen's Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code § 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Education Code Section 15274 indicating a successful bond election.

The District has stated that the proposed bonds would bear interest at a rate not exceeding the statutory limit per annum and the maturity of the bonds will not exceed the statutory maximum.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would authorize the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District to borrow money through the sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding \$67,300,000.00, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon the taxable property within the District.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against authorizing the sale of bonds by the District.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Anthony J. La Bouff  
County Counsel

By: Sabrina M. Thompson  
Deputy County Counsel

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**EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b)** "Approval of Measure E does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Dry Creek Elementary School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure E will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure E. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

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## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

Every child deserves a good education in a clean, safe, and modern school. That's why so many Roseville parents, teachers, seniors, and community leaders are asking you to join them and vote Yes on Measure E.

Measure E, the technology, science and safety school bond, will raise \$67.3 million to make much-needed improvements to every school in the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District, and will make us eligible for millions of dollars in additional state matching funds. Without this bond, Dry Creek will lose this critical state funding.

A yes vote on Measure E will fund:

- Technology - State-of-the-art digital technology and infrastructure will be installed in classrooms at every school
- Science - Science labs will be added or upgraded at every school site to better prepare students for the jobs of tomorrow.
- Safety - Surveillance systems, which will improve the safety of both students and property, will be added at every school.

A Citizens' Oversight Committee composed entirely of residents from our ensure that every dollar is spent

wisely. This measure prohibits any funds being used for administrators' community will salaries or operating expenses, guaranteeing that all money will directly benefit the education of local children.

Measure E will truly help all students in the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District by giving them the resources necessary for first-class schools, upgrading the classrooms and improving the learning inside.

We can all be proud of our students for their continued high level of academic achievement. Now it is our turn to step up and ensure our kids have the best possible learning environment to prepare them for future success. Let us continue our tradition of putting kids first by voting Yes on Measure E.

Thank you and remember, Excellence in Education – Yes on E..

Frederic C. Rockholm, Placer County Supervisor Dist. 1  
Wendy A. Gèrig, CEO, Roseville Chamber of Commerce  
John Barrow, Retired Chief of Police from the City of Roseville  
Bud Nichols, Sun City Resident  
Jay Peirce, Dry Creek Teacher Assoc. President

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

We do not believe the issue here is whether we as parents are putting our children first. The issue is that the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District needs to budget its money more wisely. They should not be spending money they do not have.

As taxpayers, is it always our responsibility to bail them out? We have been paying a District school bond (tax) since 1995 and will be paying it for many more years to come..When will it stop?

This District is already enjoying record-breaking revenue growth. The state Legislature has already approved a budget that spends nearly \$12,000.00 per student , and this unbelievably generous figure does not include

teacher pensions, local bonds, and other education costs. That equals around \$400,00.00 for a class with 35 students – and our District administrators and the union bosses claim that is not enough! This is outrageous. Enough is enough

Please join us in voting No on Measure E.

Nancy Peffley, Sun City Roseville Resident  
Terry Dee Webb, Owner Webb Realty  
C. Gwen VanBrocklin, Dry Creek Resident  
Thomas N. Hudson, Executive Director California Taxpayer Protection Committee  
Vanessa Miller, Dry Creek Resident

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## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

Have we, the taxpayers, become the deep pocket in the Dry Creek area? The Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District must believe so.

They say development fees and lagging sales of new homes in the District are not providing sufficient funds to complete the Creekview Ranch Middle School on Cook Riolo Road and pay for science, technological, and other "wish list" projects the District has planned including a future elementary school in Roseville.

But why ask taxpayers to make up the short fall? Will taxpayers be reimbursed when development and home sale fees are made?

HARDLY! The district sees this as an opportunity to reap a windfall at taxpayers' expense.

In 1995 we approved a \$22.5 million general obligation bond (tax) for the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District. We will pay that tax for another 17 years. This new tax will cost us an average \$105 a year for 30 years on top of two Roseville Joint Union High School District taxes and other property taxes.

The District can budget its money more wisely. The Junction Elementary School sits unused. A future elementary school in Roseville could await fees from developments and sale of homes while items on the "wish list", such as funding for unspecified campus additions can be deferred or eliminated and the money used to complete the Creekview middle school. Signature and West Park property owners pledged to build six schools. The District should have them front the needed money.

But the District is saying: Since we are asking for money, let's don't scrimp. We have a long "wish list" and now is our chance to get money we will need until our next school bond.

This is another tax on our property. Where will it end?

Join us in voting NO on Measure E.

Nancy H. Peffley, Sun City Roseville Resident  
Terry Dee Webb, Owner Webb Realty  
Tom Hudson, Executive Director California Taxpayer Protection Committee  
Carroll Gwendolyn VanBrocklin, Dry Creek Resident

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

Measure E is about children and serving their educational needs. We know that the money generated by Measure E will go to vital classroom improvements and not go to wish-list projects. We know because you, or others like you, will serve on a Citizens' Oversight Committee that will guarantee that every penny is spent wisely.

The signers of the argument against Measure E say they oppose improving Roseville schools because the Dry Creek School District has misused the Junction Elementary school site and is not asking for enough money from the developers of the Signature and West Park properties.

The signers of the argument against Measure E are very confused.

The FACTS:

The Junction Elementary school site is NOT in the Dry Creek School District.

The Signature development is NOT in the Dry Creek School District

The West Park development is NOT in the Dry Creek School District

Thankfully, the leaders of the Dry Creek schools are not confused about how to educate our children. Dry Creek students excel in every quantifiable test of academic performance.

To continue this success, parents, teachers, community leaders and the principal from every school met to find a way to make much needed classroom improvements. The result was the unanimous support for creating Measure E.

Measure E will upgrade every school by funding new science and computer labs, modern classroom technology and improved school safety.

Please join us, and thousands of your neighbors, as we improve our schools by voting Yes on Measure E.

Gina Garbolino, Mayor Pro Temp City of Roseville  
Timothy Herman, Past President 2004, Roseville Chamber  
Amy Haver, Teacher of the Year  
Rex Clark, Sun City Resident  
Edward N. Bonner, Placer County Sheriff

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DRY CREEK JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING SCHOOL BOND ELECTION AND AUTHORIZING NECESSARY ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District (the "District"), within the Counties of Placer and Sacramento, California (the "Counties") is authorized to order elections within the District and to designate the specifications thereof, pursuant to Sections 5304 and 5322 of the Education Code of the State of California (the "Education Code"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is specifically authorized to order elections for the purpose of submitting to the electors the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes hereinafter specified, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and Section 15266 of the Education Code, school districts may seek approval of general obligation bonds and levy an *ad valorem* tax to repay those bonds upon a 55% vote of those voting on a proposition for that purpose, provided certain accountability measures are included in the proposition; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to submit such a bond proposition to the electors to be approved by 55% of the votes cast; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5303 of the Education Code provides that in an election to be conducted in a district located in more than one county, the elections clerks of both counties shall by mutual agreement provide for the performance of the duties incident to the preparation for and holding of all district elections; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board understands that the elections clerk of the County of Placer shall bear primary responsibility for conducting the election; and

**WHEREAS**, such a bond election must be conducted concurrent with a statewide primary election, general election, or special election, or at a regularly scheduled local election, as required by Section 15266 of the Education Code; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 5, 2008, a statewide presidential primary election is scheduled to be conducted throughout the District; and

**WHEREAS**, it is desirable that the bond election be consolidated with such other election or elections as

may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 9400 *et seq.* of the Elections Code of the State of California (the "Elections Code") requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election, and that the statement be filed with the official conducting the election not later than the 88th day prior to the election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is fully advised in this matter;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District, that the following Order of Election and Specifications of the Election Order are hereby adopted:

Section 1. Recitals. The Board hereby finds the foregoing recitals to be true and correct in all respects.

Section 2. Specifications of Election Order: Pursuant to Education Code Sections 5304, 5322, 15100 *et seq.*, and 15266, a special election shall be held within the boundaries of the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District on February 5, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters of the District the following proposition:

**SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT BOND OF 2008**

**This Proposition may be known and referred to as the "School Facilities Improvement Bond of 2008" or as "Measure E".**

**FINDINGS**

**Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District is committed to educating its students to meet or exceed State and District academic standards and to prepare them to thrive and contribute in the 21st century. Therefore, the District is also committed to providing school facilities for its students that will fully support this goal.**

**In order to maintain our schools as effective places for teaching and learning for the future, and to attract students and quality staff to our programs, major additions in the form of digital classroom**

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technology infrastructure, surveillance systems, science labs and other improvements are needed at the Antelope Crossing and Silverado Middle Schools, and at the Antelope Meadows, Barrett Ranch, Coyote Ridge, Dry Creek, Heritage Oak, Olive Grove and Quail Glen Elementary Schools. In addition, significant contributions are needed toward the construction costs of Creekview Ranch Middle School, Barrett Ranch School, and a future, as yet unnamed, elementary school, to avoid overcrowding and to minimize the use of portable classrooms.

The Board of Trustees of Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District has prepared a facilities plan and identified projects that are more than the District is able to fund from currently available sources or annual revenues. The District is actively and aggressively pursuing funding from the State Facilities Program, but experience has shown that (1) the State Facilities Program is underfunded and will not, by itself, meet the District's needs; and (2) when local funding is in place for at least a portion of a district's needs, the likelihood of receiving grants from the State Facilities Program is greatly increased.

Therefore, it is necessary to seek voter approval of a bond measure in order to provide local funding for the proposed projects.

**BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$67,300,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List attached hereto as Exhibit A, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

**ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS**

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely to address the specific school facilities needs of the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (Education Code Sections 15264 and following).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees has prepared an updated Finance Master Facilities

Plan in order to evaluate and address all of the school facilities needs of the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District at each of its school campuses and facilities, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond measure at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List contained in Exhibit A.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (pursuant to Education Code Section 15278 and following), to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Annual Performance Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A.

Annual Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary, pursuant to Government Code Section 53410(c), to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31, 2008, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent or the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.



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BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List attached to this resolution as Exhibit A shall be considered a part of the ballot proposition, and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

The Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, lists the specific projects the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District will be authorized to finance with the proceeds of the bonds if the bonds are approved by the voters. Listed modernization projects and upgrades will be completed as needed at a particular school site according to Board-established priorities.

The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. Until all project costs and funding sources are known, the Board of Trustees cannot determine the amount of bond proceeds available to be spent on each project, nor guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Completion of some projects may be subject to further government approvals by State officials and boards, and to local environmental review. For these reasons, inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be funded or completed.

Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the architectural, engineering, inspection, and similar planning costs, construction management (whether performed by the District or by third parties), bond issuance, annual financial and performance audits, a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs, and other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the listed projects.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

Purpose of Bonds. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, modernization or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to

Education Code Section 15100, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to Government Code Section 53410.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at annual interest rates prevailing in the bond market at the time for the various maturities of the bonds (providing a bond premium may be received to, as nearly as possible, cover the costs of issuance of the bonds), but in no case shall the annual interest rate for any of the bonds exceed the statutory maximum. Interest will be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature at a date later than provided by law.

Section 3. Abbreviation of Proposition:  
Pursuant to Section 13247 of the Elections Code and Section 15122 of the Education Code, the Board hereby directs the Registrar of Voters to use the following abbreviation of the bond proposition on the ballot:

"To improve the quality of our local elementary and middle schools, modernize classroom technology, construct new science and computer labs, improve school security, build new schools and classrooms and become eligible for millions in additional state school construction grants, shall the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District issue \$67.3 million in bonds at lawful interest rates with all expenditures audited and reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee, and providing no money for administrator salaries?"

Section 4. Voter Pamphlet: The Registrars of Voters of the Counties of Placer and Sacramento are hereby requested to reprint Section 2 hereof (including Exhibit A hereto) in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters pursuant to Section 13307(b) of the Elections Code.

Section 5. Required Vote: Pursuant to Section 18 of Article XVI and Section 1 of Article XIII A of the State Constitution, the above proposition shall become effective upon the affirmative vote of at least 55% of those voters voting on the proposition.

Section 6. Request to County Officers to Conduct Election: The elections clerks of both Counties are hereby requested, pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code, to come to a mutual agreement for performance of the duties of elections clerk in connection with the election hereby ordered to be held in both of the Counties.

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Section 7. Consolidation Requirement:  
Canvass: (a) Pursuant to Education Code Section 15266(a), the election shall be consolidated with the statewide presidential primary election on February 5, 2008.

(b) The Boards of Supervisors of both Counties are authorized and requested to canvass the returns of the election, pursuant to Section 10411 of the Elections Code.

Section 8. Delivery of Order of Election to County Officers: The Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the District is hereby directed to deliver, no later than October 3, 2007 (which date is not fewer than 88 days prior to the date set for the election), one copy of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters of each of the Counties together with the Tax Rate Statement (attached hereto as Exhibit B), completed and signed by the Superintendent, and shall file a copy of this Resolution with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of each of the Counties.

Section 9. Ballot Arguments: The members of the Board are hereby authorized, but not directed, to prepare and file with the Registrar of Voters a ballot argument in favor of the proposition contained in Section 2 hereof, within the time established by the Registrar of Voters.

Section 10. Further Authorization: The members of this Board, the Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, and all other officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things that they deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.

Section 11. Effective Date: This Resolution takes effect upon its adoption which, under Education Code Section 15266, requires a two-thirds affirmative vote.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 20th day of September, 2007.

AYES: Stillman, Pittman, Darke, Howe, Silberstein

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Diane Howe  
President of the Board of Trustees of the  
Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District

ATTEST:  
Ryan Darke  
Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the  
Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District

**EXHIBIT A**

**BOND PROJECT LIST**

Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District – February 2008 Election

Antelope Crossing Middle School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 43 existing classrooms; construct/convert/outfit a computer lab; safety surveillance systems; construct and equip visual and performing arts (band) classroom; exterior ground and field improvements including renovation and/or acquisition and construction of turf field, long jump facility, irrigation systems, and bleachers.
Antelope Meadows School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 40 existing classrooms; science lab upgrades; safety surveillance systems; parking lot expansion.
Barrett Ranch School	Science lab upgrades; purchase of approximately 3 acres of additional land; construct approximately 12 new classrooms; exterior site improvements including concrete flatwork; exterior shade structures; exterior student seating.
Coyote Ridge School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 40 existing classrooms; science lab upgrades; furniture for small group computer labs in small group instructional rooms; upgrade library/media center shelving; safety surveillance systems; exterior shade structures.
Creekview Ranch Middle School	Phase 2 Construction including approximately 24 new classrooms, multi-purpose-room/gym, approximately 6 science labs for 7th and 8th grades, portable facilities for temporary library, administrative offices and some classrooms; Phase 3 Construction including permanent library, safety surveillance systems, computer lab, science labs for 6th grade, main office; and paying off any portion of District interim lease financings of the foregoing (which may be affected by the amount and timing of State reimbursements).
Dry Creek School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 25 existing classrooms; science lab upgrades; demolish old bus barn; new multi-purpose room; new entry; new utility infrastructure; exterior ground and field improvements including sitework and landscaping; safety surveillance systems; construct/convert/outfit a computer lab.
Future Elementary School	Construct, on land already owned by the District, approximately 50,000 square feet (which is about two-thirds) of a new elementary school including classrooms, multi-purpose room/cafeteria, kindergarten, safety surveillance systems, and main office including library and computer lab.
Heritage Oak School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 32 existing classrooms; construct/convert/outfit a computer lab; remodeling of approximately two existing classrooms including removal of partitions and conversion to small group learning centers; science lab upgrades; upgrade playground equipment; safety surveillance systems;
Olive Grove School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 35 existing classrooms; construct/convert/outfit a small group learning center classroom; science lab upgrades; safety surveillance systems; construct/convert/outfit a computer lab.

Quail Glen School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 35 existing classrooms; construct/convert/outfit a small group learning center classroom; science lab upgrades; visual and performing arts renovations including dishwasher, music office and permanent storage; safety surveillance systems; construct/convert/outfit computer lab.
Silverado Middle School	Acquire and install digital classroom technology infrastructure for approximately 45 existing classrooms; construct/convert/outfit computer lab; add gymnasium storage; visual and performing arts renovations including new windows and drama storage; exterior ground and field improvements including striping asphalt, and renovation and/or acquisition and construction of long jump facility, bleachers, drainage, and baseball diamond.
All School Sites	Replace worn/broken/out of date student desks and classroom furniture and equipment.

Other Necessary and Incidental Work – (in connection with bond financed projects at all school sites)

- Remove and dispose of, or otherwise remediate, hazardous materials, e.g., asbestos, lead, etc., where necessary.
- Address unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization (e.g., plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic, structural, etc.).
- Other improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act, and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Furnishing and equipping of newly constructed classrooms and facilities.
- Necessary site preparation/restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property.
- Rent or construct storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel, and interim classrooms (including relocatables) for students and school functions or other storage for classroom materials displaced during construction.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on the Bond Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements, or execute purchase option under a lease for any of these authorized facilities.
- For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction instead, if the Board of Trustees determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.
- All other costs incidental to and necessary for completion of the foregoing.

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EXHIBIT B

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District (the "District") on February 5, 2008, to authorize the sale of up to \$67,300,000 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in several series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

1. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is 2.976 cents per \$100 (\$29.76 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2008-09.

2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is 3.000 cents per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2014-15.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is 3.000 cents per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2014-15.

4. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated

assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is 2.998 cents per \$100 (\$29.98 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

Voters should note that estimated tax rate is based on the assessed *value* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective rate than described above. Certain taxpayers may also be eligible to postpone the payment of taxes. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on its need for construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: 9/20, 2007.

Mark Geyer, Superintendent  
Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District

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**MEASURE F**

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**PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
TO EXCEED APPROPRIATIONS LIMITATION**

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**Shall Ordinance No. 2007/2008 - 4 which authorized the South Placer Fire Protection District to exceed the appropriations limitation imposed by Article XIII B of the California Constitution, if necessary, for four years beginning with the July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, fiscal year, be approved?**

**YES** \_\_\_\_\_

**NO** \_\_\_\_\_

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**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL**

The South Placer Fire Protection District currently receives revenue from property taxes and a special tax. If the special tax previously approved by the voters continues to be collected, then the district will collect proceeds of taxes in excess of the constitutionally authorized spending limitation for the four-year period beginning fiscal year 2008-2009.

Article 13A of the California Constitution, passed by the electorate in 1978 as Proposition 13, requires approval by the electorate to levy special taxes. The district has obtained such approval and currently levies a special tax. If such taxes are collected, Article 13B requires a majority vote by the electorate to spend any such revenues in excess of the district appropriations limit. This raising of the appropriations limitation on spending is limited to a maximum of four years. Since the special tax being collected will cause the level of revenue to exceed the appropriations limit, this voter approval is necessary to spend such excess revenue.

A "Yes" vote is a vote to authorize an increase in the appropriations limit for the four (4) year period commencing fiscal year 2008-2009, in order that the district may spend revenue raised in excess of its appropriations limit.

A "No" vote will prohibit the District from spending revenues that exceed its appropriations limit.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County, pursuant to the requirements of Section 9313 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Anthony J. La Bouff  
County Counsel

By: Sabrina M. Thompson  
Deputy County Counsel

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**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE F**

Measure "F" will not increase your property taxes. It simply allows your fire district to spend funds it has collected. This measure requires a YES vote to keep you fire taxes in your district, otherwise they will be distributed to other areas of the county.

Approval of Measure "F" allows the South Placer Fire District to exceed its appropriation limit and use all the revenues presently allocated to the district from existing property taxes and the South Placer Fire District special tax.

Approval of Measure "F" will keep the fire district from significantly reducing services. Passage of this measure is necessary to maintain the outstanding level of service we currently offer.

Jeffrey Moss, President  
Board of Directors  
South Placer Fire District

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2007/2008 - 4

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AMENDING SECTION 6 OF ORDINANCE NO. FP4 TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO EXCEED ITS APPROPRIATION LIMITATION FOR FOUR YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008, AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO APPROVE THE SAME

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors of the South Placer Fire Protection District ("District") finds and declares that the District levies and collects property taxes and a special tax to provide the necessary revenues for adequate fire protection and prevention in the District. If the District is not authorized to exceed its appropriations limitation, the District will have insufficient revenues to fund a safe level of fire prevention and protection within the District.

Section 2. Section 6 of Ordinance Number FP4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6. The District's budget may, if necessary, exceed the appropriations limitation imposed by Article XIII B of the California Constitution for four years or less beginning with the July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2010, fiscal year.

This section shall take effect July 1, 2008, upon approval of a majority of the voters voting upon this Ordinance at the election held on February 5, 2008.

Section 3. Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to district elections, there shall be, and there is hereby called and ordered held in the South Placer Fire Protection District, County of Placer, State of California, on Tuesday, February 5, 2008, a special district election of the qualified voters of the District for the purpose of approving this Ordinance and authorizing the District to exceed its appropriations limitation as set forth above. *The Board of Supervisors of Placer County is requested to provide the services of the Placer County Elections Office to conduct the election at designated voting places located within the District, with the cost of said election to be borne by the District.*

Section 4. At the election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters residing within the boundaries of the District the following proposition:

Shall Ordinance No. 2007/2008 - 4 which authorized the South Placer Fire Protection District to exceed the appropriations limitation imposed by Article XIII B of the California Constitution, if necessary, for four years beginning with the July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, fiscal year, be approved?

Section 5. In all particulars not recited in this Ordinance, said election shall be held and conducted as provided for by law for the holding of district elections within the District.

Section 5. In all particulars not recited in this Ordinance, said election shall be held and conducted as provided for by law for the holding of district elections within the District.

Section 6. The Secretary of the District is hereby ordered and directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be published in the *Press Tribune*, a newspaper of general circulation within the District once in accordance with section 6061 of the Government Code of the State of California.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication pursuant to section 6, and the authority to exceed the appropriations limitation shall take effect as provided in section 2.

Section 8. If any section, subsection, sentence, phrase or clause of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance. The people of the South Placer Fire Protection District hereby declare that they would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, phrase or clause thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, phrases or clauses be declared invalid.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 1st day of October, 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Moss, Matthews, Grenfell, Powell  
NOES:  
ABSENT: DeLaurentis

Jeffrey Moss  
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: Kathryn M. Matthews  
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

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**MEASURE G**

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**PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR LOOMIS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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To improve child safety and classroom learning environments by renovating our schools, including: removing asbestos and lead, upgrading faulty old fire safety equipment, electrical and plumbing systems and bathrooms, repairing leaky roofs, upgrading technology infrastructure, building two new multi-purpose rooms, and making schools legally handicap accessible, shall Loomis Union School District issue \$17,700,000 in bonds, requiring citizens' oversight, annual independent audits, and with no money for administrators' salaries?

**BONDS YES** \_\_\_\_\_

**BONDS NO** \_\_\_\_\_

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**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL**

This measure, if approved by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds of the Loomis Union School District, ("District") in the amount of \$17,700,000 (Seventeen million, seven hundred thousand dollars).

The proceeds of the bonds would be used for the purposes described in the text of Measure G, which precedes this analysis. A general obligation bond is a form of borrowing commonly used to fund school facilities. School districts can seek either two-thirds or 55% voter approval. If districts seek the 55% approval, as has been done by the District, they must meet additional accountability requirements.

The District Board of Education ("Board") has resolved to meet these accountability requirements, in Resolution No. 07-08-103, pledging to comply with the requirements of the Article XIII A, section 1(b) (3) of the State Constitution, as well as the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at section 15264 et seq. of the California Education Code.)

If the measure passes, the District's Board of Trustees will conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond funds have been expended only for the specific projects listed in the measure and will conduct an annual, independent fiscal audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds. The District's chief fiscal officer shall prepare an annual report of the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project funded by the bonds. The District will also establish a citizens' oversight committee whose purpose would be to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues.

The bonds proposed to be issued and sold would bear interest at a rate not exceeding the statutory limit per annum. No bond shall be made to mature more than 25 years from the date borne by that bond. Principal and interest on the bonds would be paid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon the taxable property within the District. The Tax Rate Statement of the District, which is included in the Resolution presents the District's best estimates of the property tax rates required to be levied to pay debt service on the bonds. The estimates are based on certain assumptions described in the Statement.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the issuance and sale of up to \$17,700,000 in general obligation bonds to be repaid through a property tax levied throughout the District based upon the assessed value of the property and the improvements thereon.

A "NO" vote is a vote not to authorize the issuance and sale of the bonds.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Anthony J. La Bouff  
County Counsel

By: Sabrina M. Thompson  
Deputy County Counsel

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**EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b)** "Approval of Measure G does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Loomis Union School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure G will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure G. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."



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## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

Just last year, a classroom at Placer School was destroyed by fire caused by faulty old wiring.

Most schools in the Loomis Union School District were built in the 1950s and 60s. Many classrooms need significant renovations and improvements to make our old and outdated schools safe, healthy and functional learning environments.

**Voting YES on Measure G** means:

- removing asbestos and lead from classrooms,
- improving fire safety by upgrading alarms and installing smoke detectors and sprinklers,
- upgrading faulty old wiring and electrical systems to support classroom technology and computer labs,
- replacing outdated plumbing and bathrooms, leaking roofs, decaying walls,
- building needed multipurpose rooms for Penryn and Loomis Schools,
- and by making schools compliant with disability access laws.

**Parents and teachers say "Vote YES on Measure G"** because our kids need safe, healthy classrooms and functional learning environments.

**Taxpayers and business leaders say "Vote YES on Measure G"** because it includes only essential

renovations and improvements and Measure G has strict accountability provisions ensuring bond money is spent as promised.

**Seniors, law enforcement and community leaders say "Vote YES on Measure G"** because they know investing in our schools means building on our strong commitment to academic excellence.

**Voting YES on Measure G** leverages local resources. It allows our schools to obtain \$2,600,000 in state matching funds to help with needed renovations and improvements.

**Voting YES on Measure G** would create a Citizens' Oversight Committee and require independent annual audits to ensure bond money is spent efficiently, and as promised. Legally, Measure G money can only fund authorized structural renovations, not salaries.

Please join friends, neighbors, and other community members by **Voting YES on Measure G** to improve health, safety and our school learning environments.

Thank you for your kind consideration of Measure G.

Edward N. Bonner, Placer County Sheriff  
Edward Horton, Retired Fire Chief  
Jenine Windeshausen, Placer County Treasurer  
Glenn Lockwood, Principal – H. Clarke Powers School  
Kristine Sohrakoff, Teacher – Loomis Grammar School

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

**Aren't there safety codes that govern our schools?**

**YES**, the State and Federal Government have numerous building safety regulations; failure to comply would raise serious legal and liability issues. Every California school is required to publish a "School Accountability Report Card" (SARC). The latest SARC states that the condition of **all** five schools are all positive, clearly stating that facility conditions are in good repair with no future repair needed or planned [See links on [www.NoMeasureG.Org](http://www.NoMeasureG.Org)] If safety is one of the main reasons cited for passage of Measure "G", why does the SARC say otherwise?

**With the merger last November of Ophir School, will Ophir residents pay for this bond?**

Many Ophir parents did **not** want the Loomis-Ophir merger; they were sold on the merger with the assurance that they will **NOT** pay for the February 2008 bond. Ophir will be part of the district for the bond's entire life, from beginning to end, when they join the

district in July, 2008. Why should Loomis and Penryn pay for the bond while Ophir doesn't?

**How will the bond money be allocated?**

While the district does not provide detailed information on how the bond money will be spent, it appears that a significant portion of the \$17.7 million request is to replace existing multipurpose rooms at two schools. Who benefits the most from these huge construction projects?

**Vote No on G.** <http://www.NoMeasureG.org>

Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers  
Anita M. Wright, Elementary School District Bus. Dir. (Retired)  
Carole Goldberg, Parent of School-age Children  
George Park, Jr., President Placer Republican Assembly  
Thomas N. Hudson, Chairman Placer County Republican Party

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## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE G

### Didn't we reject this wasteful school bond last year? Why is it on the ballot again?

School bonds are BIG business statewide. The campaign for last year's "**defeated**" bond, Measure M, was primarily financed by companies in the construction trades located outside of Loomis/Penryn. The district also paid \$10,000 to a political strategy firm to help pass this measure. Why? Because facilities bonds require only 55% approval; offer quick cash to the district; and frees up maintenance budgets for anything else. School districts claim they are always out of money despite the billions already paid by taxpayers to the State. Why? Because it's so easy to appeal to taxpayers again and again.

### Is Measure G costing less than last year's defeated Measure M?

The proponents claim Measure G is 'barebones' and are asking for 'only' \$17.7 million vs. \$19.5 million for Measure M. But taxpayers won't see a savings - in fact they could be paying much more for measure G, which at a minimum costs \$35 million with interest. Measure G will cost almost \$30 per \$100,000 in assessed value. This adds hundreds of dollars annually to your property tax bill for the next 25 years!

### Is the school district scaring voters with the repairs needed? What's valid and what's fluff?

School districts have money for maintenance and insurance for disasters. They are prohibited by law from allowing children in unsafe buildings. Measure G's project list is too vague. The district needs a **detailed** list with associated costs. Banks require more information for a small home loan; yet to borrow \$35 million there is little information, only emotional pleas.

Barebones? Not really. Measure G = Measure M revisited.

**Vote NO** on Measure G  
[Http://www.NoMeasureG.org](http://www.NoMeasureG.org)

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE G

The people who wrote opposing arguments (most of whom don't live in Loomis, and none of whom have children in our schools) asked, "Why is measure G on the ballot?" The five of us would like to offer perspective: In the months since the last bond was on the ballot, our children's classroom was destroyed by fire because of outdated wiring and fire systems.

Our kids – and all students in their class – lost the contents of their desks, coats and other belongings, and their teacher lost 17 years worth of tests and teaching materials. The classroom even had 6 pets killed in the fire.

We looked into how our school (Placer Elementary) has been modernized since it was constructed in 1959. Do you know the only times the school was renovated was after the three times it was struck by fire? Is that how we keep our schools safe? Wait for a fire to destroy our kids' classrooms so that we can modernize with insurance money?

We've since learned that old wiring isn't our only problem. Our 50 year old classrooms have antiquated plumbing, leaky roofs and more!

The state won't provide funds to fix our schools, so we need to fix them ourselves. Measure G has strict fiscal accountability provisions. It requires a Citizen's Oversight Committee and annual audits to ensure money is spent as promised. Old, outdated schools aren't in the best interest of our kids, community, or property values. Please vote YES on Measure G.

Debra Maringer, Parent of student in classroom destroyed by fire  
Kelly Strahl, Parent – student in classroom destroyed by fire  
Lawanda Tassinari, Parent – my child in classroom affected by fire  
Mark Tassinari, Parent of child affected by Placer School Fire  
Roxanne Langer, Parent with children in district

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE LOOMIS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ORDERING A SCHOOL BOND ELECTION, AND  
AUTHORIZING NECESSARY ACTIONS  
IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Loomis Union School District (the "District"), within the County of Placer, California (the "County"), is authorized to order elections within the District and to designate the specifications thereof, pursuant to sections 5304 and 5322 of the California Education Code (the "Education Code");

WHEREAS, the Board is specifically authorized to order elections for the purpose of submitting to the electors the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes hereinafter specified, pursuant to section 15100 *et seq.* of the California Education Code;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 18 of Article XVI and section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and section 15266 of the California Education Code, school districts may seek approval of general obligation bonds and levy an *ad valorem* tax to repay those bonds upon a 55% vote of those voting on a proposition for the purpose, provided certain accountability measures are included in the proposition;

WHEREAS, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to submit such a bond proposition to the electors to be approved by 55% of the votes cast;

WHEREAS, such a bond election must be conducted concurrent with a statewide primary election, general election or special election, or at a regularly scheduled local election, as required by section 15266 of the California Education Code;

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2008, a statewide election is scheduled to occur throughout the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 15270 California Education Code, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, the Board has determined that, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed \$30 per year per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property;

WHEREAS, section 9400 *et seq.* of the California Elections Code requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, determined and ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Loomis Union School District as follows:

Section 1. Specifications of Election Order. Pursuant to sections 5304, 5322, 15100 *et seq.*, and section 15266 of the California Education Code, an election shall be held within the boundaries of the District on February 5, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters of the District the following proposition:

**BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$17,700,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List attached hereto as Exhibit A, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below. Bonds will be issued in one series.

**ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS**

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely to address specific facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at section 15264 *et seq.* of the California Education Code).

*Evaluation of Needs.* The Board of Trustees has updated its facilities plan in order to evaluate and address all of the facilities needs of the District, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List contained in Exhibit A.

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**MEASURE G RESOLUTION  
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*Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee.*

The Board of Trustees shall establish an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (section 15278 *et seq.* of the California Education Code), to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

*Annual Performance Audits.* The Board of Trustees shall cause to conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A.

*Annual Financial Audits.* The Board of Trustees shall cause to conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A.

*Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board.* Upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Trustees shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than January 1 of each year, commencing January 1, 2009, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

**BOND PROJECT LIST**

The Bond Project List attached to this resolution as Exhibit A shall be considered a part of the ballot proposition, and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition.

The Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the Bonds. Listed repairs, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, construction management, and a customary

contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. In addition, certain construction funds expected from non-bond sources, including State grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Therefore the Board of Trustees cannot guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects.

**FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS**

*No Administrator Salaries.* Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

*Single Purpose.* All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to section 15100 of the California Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to section 53410 of the California Government Code.

*Other Terms of the Bonds.* When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest will be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than 25 years from the date borne by that bond.

*Section 2. Abbreviation of Proposition.*

Pursuant to section 13247 of the California Elections Code and section 15122 of the California Education Code, the Board hereby directs the Registrar of Voters to use the following abbreviation of the bond proposition on the ballot:

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**MEASURE G RESOLUTION  
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"THE LOOMIS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT CLASSROOM REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION MEASURE: To improve child safety and classroom learning environments by renovating our schools, including: removing asbestos and lead, upgrading faulty old fire safety equipment, electrical and plumbing systems and bathrooms, repairing leaky roofs, upgrading technology infrastructure, building two new multi-purpose rooms, and making schools legally handicap accessible, shall Loomis Union School District issue \$17,700,000 in bonds, requiring citizens' oversight, annual independent audits, and with no money for administrators' salaries?"

*Section 3.* Voter Pamphlet. The Registrar of Voters of the County is hereby requested to reprint Section 1 hereof (including Exhibit A hereto) in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters pursuant to section 13307 of the California Elections Code.

*Section 4.* Required Vote. Pursuant to section 18 of Article XVI and section 1 of Article XIII A of the State Constitution, the above proposition shall become effective upon the affirmative vote of at least 55% of those voters voting on the proposition.

*Section 5.* Request to County Officers to Conduct Election. The Registrar of Voters of the County is hereby requested, pursuant to section 5322 of the California Education Code, to take all steps to call and hold the election in accordance with law and these specifications.

*Section 6.* Consolidation Requirement: Canvass.

(a) Pursuant to section 15266(a) of the California Education Code, the election shall be consolidated with the statewide election on February 5, 2008.

(b) The Board of Supervisors of the County is authorized and requested to canvass the returns of

the election, pursuant to section 10411 of the California Elections Code.

*Section 7.* Delivery of Order of Election to County Officers. The Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the District is hereby directed to deliver, no later than November 9, 2007 (which date is 88 days prior to the date set for the election), one copy of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters of the County together with the Tax Rate Statement (attached hereto as Exhibit B), completed and signed by the Superintendent, and shall file a copy of this Resolution with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County.

*Section 8.* Ballot Arguments. The members of the Board are hereby authorized, but not directed, to prepare and file with the Registrar of Voters a ballot argument in favor of the proposition contained in Section 1 hereof, within the time established by the Registrar of Voters.

*Section 9.* Further Authorization. The members of this Board, the Superintendent, and all other officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed, individually and collectively, to do any and all things that they deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.

*Section 10.* Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day, October 4, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:	Trustees Day, Foster, Edwards, Turner, Rudolph
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

APPROVED: James L. Foster, Jr.  
President of the Board of Trustees of the Loomis Union School District

Attest: M. J. Edwards  
Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the Loomis Union School District

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EXHIBIT A

BOND PROJECT LIST

1. Placer Elementary School Modernization
  - 25,720 square feet of modernization (no portables)
  - Site work and accessibility modifications
2. Franklin Elementary School Modernization
  - New sewer connection
  - Demolition of existing water treatment plant
  - 33,700 square feet of modernization
  - 1,920 square foot modular administration building
  - Site work and accessibility modifications
3. Penryn Elementary School Multipurpose Addition
  - Multipurpose building (10,000 square feet w/overhangs)
  - Portable building relocations
  - Associated site work and utilities
4. Loomis Elementary School Multipurpose Addition
  - Multipurpose building (10,000 square feet w/overhangs)
  - Site demolition
  - Portable building demolition
  - Associated site work and utilities

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EXHIBIT B

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Loomis Union School District (the "District") on February 5, 2008, to authorize the sale of up to \$17,700,000 in bonds of the District to improve the quality of education, repairing and improve aging local schools, including repairing, upgrading, replacing and acquiring safety and communication systems, heating/air conditioning systems, restrooms, plumbing, dry rot, school facilities, and furniture and equipment; and help qualify for State matching funds as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in one series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the bonds during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, is 2.976 cents per \$100 (\$29.76 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2008-2009.

2. The best estimate of the average tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the life of the bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1.984 cents per \$100 (\$19.84 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bonds, is

2.976 cents per \$100 (\$29.76 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2010-2011.

Voters should note that estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: October 4, 2007.

Paul Johnson  
Superintendent  
Loomis Union School District

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## MEASURE H

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### PROPOSAL TO APPROVE A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (CLOVER VALLEY) FOR THE CITY OF ROCKLIN

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Shall Resolution No. 2007-245 previously passed by the City Council approving a General Plan Amendment reducing allowed acreage for residential development of Clover Valley from 504 to 199 acres, and increasing the acres designated for open space from 70 to 366 acres, and reconfiguring Valley View Parkway from a 4-lane facility to a 2-lane facility be adopted?

YES \_\_\_\_\_

NO \_\_\_\_\_

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#### IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY ROCKLIN CITY ATTORNEY

On August 28, 2007 the City Council of the City of Rocklin approved a number of land use entitlements for the 622 acre project known as Clover Valley, including Resolution No. 2007-245 approving a General Plan Amendment. The General Plan Amendment approved by Resolution 2007-245 necessary to implement the project and to allow the zoning, large lot subdivision map, and small lot subdivision map to proceed was suspended by referendum. Therefore, the City Council placed the General Plan Amendment for Clover Valley on the ballot for voter approval.

If adopted by a majority of the voters, Measure H would approve a General Plan Amendment for the 622 acre Clover Valley project. The General Plan Amendment would:

- decrease the residential development area and ultimate unit potential for the site from approximately 970 homes to 558 homes;
- increase the amount of dedicated open space area from 70 acres to 366 acres;
- re-orient the 5.0-acre commercial site;
- decrease the number of neighborhood park sites designated within the project from two sites to one site containing 5.3 acres;
- designate a 1.0 acre area to be incorporated into a future fire station site at the intersection of Valley View Parkway and Park Drive; and

- amend the General Plan Circulation Element by reducing the planned four-lane Valley View Parkway to two lanes.

If the measure does not pass by a majority vote, then the General Plan Amendment, as well as the approvals of the Clover Valley Large Lot Map, Small Lot Map, and General Development Plan, (which are expressly contingent on the approval of the General Plan Amendment) would all be invalidated. In that case, the existing General Plan land use designations and zoning would remain over the 622 acre site. The existing General Plan and zoning designations on the project site provide for:

- approximately 504 acres of residential land potentially yielding up to 970 homes;
- 70 acres of open space;
- 5 acres of neighborhood commercial land;
- 11 acres for parks; and
- a four lane arterial roadway connecting Park Drive and Sierra College Blvd.

The site is generally located in the northeast corner of the City of Rocklin along the west side of Sierra College Boulevard and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks, two miles north of Interstate 80 and three miles south of State Route 193. A portion of the east side of the site is bounded by Park Drive within the Whitney Oaks development. Rawhide Road intersects with the site on the southeast side of the property.

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## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE H

Measure H is a good deal for Rocklin taxpayers and our community.

Measure H increases open space, improves police and fire protection, reduces traffic congestion, preserves Native American sacred sites and creates new recreational opportunities – WITHOUT new taxes or higher fees.

Under Measure H, Rocklin residents will finally be able to enjoy the beauty of Clover Valley, privately owned land that has been closed to the public for decades.

The result of years of negotiations between city officials, community leaders and the owners of Clover Valley, Measure H is a balanced plan that respects private property rights, protects Clover Valley from sprawling development and **GUARANTEES** that the beauty of this privately owned land will be preserved for generations.

Under Measure H, over 60% of Clover Valley will be preserved as **PERMANENT OPEN SPACE** – a 552% increase over earlier proposals. These 366 acres of permanent open space will preserve vernal pools, creeks, meadows, wildlife habitat, sacred Native American sites and our majestic Valley Oak trees.

Measure H **REDUCES TRAFFIC CONGESTION** and **IMPROVES PUBLIC SAFETY**. Under the plan, a new

two-lane road will be built connecting New Park Drive to Sierra College Boulevard, speeding commute time and providing faster access to Rocklin neighborhoods for police, fire and emergency vehicles. The measure also provides property and funding for a new fire station, cutting emergency response time by over half.

Measure H creates a new five-acre park and over two miles of hiking and biking trails in Clover Valley with **FULL PUBLIC ACCESS**.

A wide range of trusted community leaders and groups are supporting Measure H, including police, firefighters, planning commissioners, city council members, open space supporters and taxpayer advocates.

Please join us in voting "yes" on Measure H – a balanced and responsible plan that improves and protects our quality of life.

**Kathy Lund**, Rocklin Mayor, 2007

**Margaret Azevedo**, Chairperson, Rocklin Park and Recreation Commission

**David Butler**, Member, Board of Directors, Rocklin Chamber of Commerce

**Robert M. Weygandt**, Placer County Supervisor

**Brett Storey**, Rocklin Mayor, 2008

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE H

The developers, desperate to pass Measure H, need Rocklin voters to believe some things that defy all logic and reason.

To support Measure H we must believe:

- First, that 14,000 new cars per day on our streets "speeding" through our neighborhoods, by our schools, and through a retirement community will "reduce traffic congestion."
- Next, that paving over the open space gem of Clover Valley by constructing roads and buildings in and around large Indian burial grounds and destroying many other historic sites "increases open space."
- It gets better, they go on to argue that cutting down 7,400 mature oak trees, many over 100 years old, is the way to preserve our "majestic Valley Oak trees" and "protect Clover Valley."

When we started the fight to protect Rocklin and save Clover Valley we said the choice was **SAVE** or **PAVE**.

We never believed the developers would try to argue that paving over the valley is saving the valley.

Join us in rejecting the developers' slick media campaign. Stand with the nearly 5,000 of your neighbors who signed a petition demanding this vote and vote **NO** on Measure H.

The developers trying to force Measure H on the people of Rocklin have one thing correct: Measure H is about "protecting our quality of life."

Protect Rocklin's quality of life and vote **NO** on Measure H.

James W. Forman, Former Chairman, Placer County Planning Commission

Stephen C. Loeb, Rocklin Resident and Rocklin Business Owner

Rex Bloomfield, Former Placer County Supervisor

Angela Torrens, Rocklin Transportation Advocate

Allison Miller, Save Clover Valley Coalition



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## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE H

Save Clover Valley, protect Rocklin, vote NO on Measure H.

Vote NO on a new highway that will bring 14,000 new cars through our neighborhoods.

Vote NO on the destruction of more than 7,000 oak trees.

Vote NO on the paving over our history by placing roads and houses in and around large Native American burial grounds.

Thanks to the nearly 5,000 Rocklin residents who signed petitions demanding this vote we now have the opportunity to protect the quality of life we enjoy by rejecting this destructive development. Your NO vote on Measure H will stop the destruction of Clover Valley.

The out of town developers pushing for this bad plan are asking Rocklin voters to believe that the way to reduce traffic is to put 14,000 new cars on our roads and build even more houses. They actually expect us to believe them when they say that the way to save Clover Valley is to cut down thousands of trees and pave over ancient historic sites. Rocklin voters will not be fooled and we will join together and vote NO on Measure H.

But to do this we need your help. The out of town developers we are fighting have almost unlimited resources and think they can confuse Rocklin Voters with an expensive media campaign. To join the fight to save Clover Valley please call 916-435-3828 or visit [saveclovervalley.org](http://saveclovervalley.org). Together we can protect the Rocklin we all love.

To preserve home values for all Rocklin residents, prevent more traffic on our streets, and stop the destruction of 7,000 trees in the historic Clover Valley, please join us and thousands of your neighbors by voting NO on Measure H.

Grayson Coney, Cultural Director of the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe  
Honorable Kenneth W. Kizer, MD, MPH, Former Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Bonnie Laderman, Whitney Oaks Community Association, Architectural Review Board Chair  
Denis Golemis, Lieutenant Colonel United States Air Force (Ret.), Rocklin Resident  
Robert O'Deegan, Rocklin Business Owner and Resident

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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE H

The fears raised by Measure H opponents are factually wrong and designed to scare you.

Their claim that "the new highway will bring 14,000 new cars" isn't true. Far from being a "highway," this new TWO-LANE road will help ease EXISTING traffic congestion by providing an alternate route for Rocklin motorists who already live here.

In addition to speeding commute time, the new road will dramatically improve access for emergency vehicles – cutting police, fire and ambulance response time by over half for Rocklin residents needing help.

An "out of town developer" didn't write this plan. It was produced by Rocklin city officials and trusted community groups after years of public meetings and open negotiations with the owner of Clover Valley.

What's more, Measure H specifically GUARANTEES that the number of trees in Clover Valley will not be reduced, and that sacred Native American sites will be preserved.

In fact, Measure H GUARANTEES that over 60% of Clover Valley will remain PERMANENT OPEN SPACE – over 500 times MORE open space than earlier proposals. Measure H preserves Valley Oaks and wildlife habitat, and includes a new five-acre park and over two miles of hiking and biking trails so we can ALL enjoy this special area.

Don't be fooled. Measure H is a good deal for Rocklin. Without it, Clover Valley's owner will be free to develop this area with TWICE the number of houses and FIVE TIMES LESS open space. This isn't a threat, but a simple fact of law.

Vote YES.

**Jason Shearer, President, Rocklin Firefighters Association**  
**Tom Cosgrove, Placer County Transportation Planning Commissioner**  
**Bart Paduveris, President, Rocklin Police Officers' Association**  
**Peter Hill, Rocklin City Council**  
**Chad Stout, Co-Founder, Rocklin Taxpayers for Sensitive Planning**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-312**

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008, FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AFFECTING THE CLOVER VALLEY PROJECT AREA

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the laws relating to general law cities in the State of California, a special municipal election shall be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008;

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2007, the City Council approved Resolution No. 2007-245 entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Approving an Amendment to the Land Use and Circulation Elements of the General Plan of the City of Rocklin Reducing Allowed Acreage for Residential Development of Clover Valley from 504 to 199, Increasing the Acreage for Open Space from 70 to 366, Reconfiguring Valley View Parkway as a 2-Lane Facility, and Making Other Related Changes (Clover Valley General Plan Amendment/GPA-2004-01)";

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority provided by Division 9, Chapter 3, Article 2 (commencing at §9235) of the Election Code of the State of California, a petition has been filed with the legislative body of the City of Rocklin signed by more than ten percent of the registered voters of the city to repeal the ordinance or submit it to a vote of the voters;

WHEREAS, the City Clerk examined the records of the registration and ascertained that the petition is signed by the requisite number of voters, and has so certified;

WHEREAS, the City Council has not voted in favor of the repeal of the resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized and directed by statute to submit the resolution to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Rocklin does resolve as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to municipal elections in general law cities, there is hereby called and ordered held in the City of Rocklin, County of Placer, State of California, on Tuesday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of February, 2008, a special municipal election.

Section 2. Pursuant to its rights and authority, the City Council orders submitted to the voters at said special municipal election the following question:

<p align="center"><b>RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN TO ENACT A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (Clover Valley)</b></p> <p>Shall Resolution No. 2007-245 previously passed by the City Council approving a General Plan Amendment reducing allowed acreage for residential development of Clover Valley from 504 to 199 acres, and increasing the acres designated for open space from 70 to 366 acres, and reconfiguring Valley View Parkway from a 4-lane facility to a 2-lane facility be adopted?</p>	Yes
	No

Section 3. The full text of Resolution No. 2007-245 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 4. In all particulars not recited in this resolution, said election shall be held and conducted as provided for by law for the holding of municipal elections in the City.

Section 5. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given, and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in the time, form and manner as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Storey, Yuill, Hill, Lund  
 NOES: Councilmembers: None  
 ABSENT: Councilmembers: None  
 ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: Magnuson

Kathy E. Lund, Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara Ivanusich, City Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**  
 Resolution 2007-245

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE AND CIRCULATION ELEMENTS OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN REDUCING ALLOWED ACREAGE FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF CLOVER VALLEY FROM 504 TO 199, INCREASING THE ACREAGE FOR OPEN SPACE FROM 70 TO 366, RECONFIGURING VALLEY VIEW PARKWAY AS A 2-LANE FACILITY, AND MAKING OTHER RELATED CHANGES (Clover Valley General Plan Amendment/GPA-2004-01)

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The City Council of the City of Rocklin does resolve as follows:

Section 1. An environmental impact report (EIR) has been certified for this project.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Rocklin finds and determines that:

A. The City Council has considered a general plan amendment (GPA-2004-01) to reduce the allowed acreage for residential development of Clover Valley from 504 to 199, increase the acreage of open space from 70 to 366, designate 5.3 acres as a neighborhood park site and 1.0 acre for a future fire station site, and reconfigure Valley View Parkway as a 2-lane facility.

B. The City Council has considered the effect of the approval of this general plan amendment (GPA-2004-01) on the housing needs of the region, and balanced those needs against the public service needs of its residents and available fiscal and environmental resources.

C. The area is physically suited for the land uses allowed by the proposed amendment in terms of topography and availability of services.

D. The circulation and land uses allowed by the proposed amendment are compatible with land uses existing and permitted on properties in the vicinity, providing the properties are developed in accordance with the policies and requirements of the Rocklin General Plan and applicable zoning and subdivision ordinances.

E. The circulation and land uses allowed by the proposed amendment, and their intensity, are not likely to create serious health problems or nuisances on properties in the vicinity.

F. The land uses and circulation allowed by the proposed amendment are consistent with and implement the goals and policies of the Rocklin General Plan, including the Housing Element.

Section 3. The City Council hereby approves the General Plan Amendment GPA-2004-01, as shown in

Exhibits A and B, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of August, 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers: Hill, Yuill, Storey, Lund
NOES:	Councilmembers: None
ABSENT:	Councilmembers: None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmembers: Magnuson

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**EXHIBIT A**

Exhibit A depicts the Land Use Element Amendment (GPA-2004-01)

**You may obtain copies of the maps submitted with this Resolution by contacting the Placer County Elections Division at (530) 886-5650 or the City of Rocklin at (916) 625-5560.**

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**EXHIBIT B**

Circulation Element Amendment  
(General Plan Amendment GPA-2004-01)

The City of Rocklin Circulation Element is hereby amended as described below:

Item 11 of table "Key to Circulation Routes Illustrated in Figure 13" attached to Figure 13 of Chapter 11C of the Rocklin General Plan is amended to read as follows:

*11. An east west connection between Highway 65 and Sierra College Boulevard. (North) Whitney Boulevard/Whitney Ranch Parkway (6 lanes from Highway 65 to Wildcat Boulevard; 4 lanes from Wildcat Boulevard to the intersection of Park Drive and the connection through Clover Valley known as Valley View Parkway; 2 lanes from Park Drive to Sierra College Boulevard, except where widening is necessary at the approaches of the Park Drive and Sierra College Boulevard intersections.*

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older will be able to request a reduced rate of \$10 per year.

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## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE J

This measure is both poorly crafted and poorly timed. Home foreclosures are at an all-time high, and so many of our neighbors are struggling just to hold onto their homes in the face of rising mortgage payments, increasing gas prices, and declines in the stock market. Our taxes are already too high, and this is the wrong time to raise them.

The City of Rocklin has nearly doubled its annual operating budget over the past 5 fiscal years due to rising property and sales taxes and it has plenty of money to maintain and expand parks. This is not a revenue problem, but a spending problem. Rather than spending these new tax revenues on parks, it chose to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on fake granite rocks to adorn the I-80/Rocklin Road interchange and numerous other less important projects.

This tax is also horribly unfair because it continues the practice of unequal city taxation. Homeowners in

Stanford Ranch and Whitney Ranch areas of Rocklin already pay substantial amounts of special taxes to the City of Rocklin, whereas most other city residents pay no special city taxes. Unequal taxation is unfair, and this tax only further burdens residents in newer areas of the city who are already paying more than their fair share.

Finally, the projects to be funded by this tax increase do not reflect the priorities of city residents. Before the city council tries to increase our taxes, they should consult with residents about what our priorities are and then fund those proposals. This measure is poorly crafted and poorly timed. We urge you to vote no.

Ben Mavy, Former Secretary, Placer County Republican Party  
George Park, President, Placer County Republican Assembly  
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## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE J

The citizens of Rocklin have always supported our parks and schools because they know each is important to our quality of life, which is second to none in the Sacramento region.

For the first time in years there is opposition to extending the small investment Rocklin residents have been making to our parks.

Sadly, this opposition is not coming from residents of Rocklin. It represents the views of outsiders who have based their opinions on a narrow political and ideological agenda. They are not interested in the quality of our community or the quality of our parks. Their only interest is their narrow agenda.

It is now time, once again, to decide if the residents of Rocklin want to continue to make an investment in our parks to ensure they continue to be maintained at the high quality levels existing today. Civic and community

leaders who live in Rocklin, of all political stripes, support the extension of the existing assessment as a common sense investment in a public amenity that will benefit the residents and children of Rocklin.

All money collected is used in our parks and residents 62 and older will continue to be eligible to pay the same \$10 they pay today.

Join us in continuing our support for quality parks in Rocklin by voting Yes on Measure J.

Remember: Not a single signer of the argument against Measure J lives in Rocklin.

Kathy Lund, Mayor 2007  
Paul Ruhkala, Rocklin Recreation Commission  
Camille Maben, Rocklin School Board  
Jerry Mitchell, Former Mayor  
Peter Hill, Rocklin City Council

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-316**

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008, FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF A CERTAIN MEASURE RELATING TO THE CONTINUANCE OF A SPECIAL TAX FOR PARK DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE AND A MEASURE RELATED TO THE REPEAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2007-245

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the laws relating to general law cities in the State of California, a special municipal election shall be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit to the voters at the election a question relating to a special tax for park development and maintenance and a question relating to the repeal of Resolution No. 2007-245.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Rocklin does resolve as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to municipal elections in general law cities, there is hereby called and ordered held in the City of Rocklin, County of Placer, State of California, on Tuesday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of February, 2008, a special municipal election.

Section 2. Pursuant to its rights and authority, the City Council orders submitted to the voters at said special municipal election the following question:

<b>CITY OF ROCKLIN PARK MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT</b>		
To continue current efforts to keep park and recreation facilities safe, clean and well maintained, shall Rocklin City Ordinance No. 926 be approved which would allow the City to continue to collect a per parcel fee; such fee would be between \$10.00 and \$45.00 per year, adjusted annually for inflation, for a period of fifteen years to be used only for park maintenance and development?	<b>Yes</b>	
	<b>No</b>	

Section 3. The full text of the proposed Ordinance No. 926 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 4. In all particulars not recited in this resolution, said election shall be held and conducted as

provided for by law for the holding of municipal elections in the City.

Section 5. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given, and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in the time, form and manner as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Hill, Magnuson, Storey, Yuill, Lund  
 NOES: Councilmembers: None  
 ABSENT: Councilmembers: None  
 ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: None

Kathy E. Lund, Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara Ivanusich, City Clerk

**EXHIBIT A  
ORDINANCE NO. 926**

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN  
REPEALING AND REENACTING CHAPTER 3.34  
OF THE ROCKLIN MUNICIPAL CODE  
RELATING TO A SPECIAL TAX  
FOR PARK MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Park Maintenance and Development Act of 1998, Ordinance No. 781, enacting Chapter 3.34 of the Rocklin Municipal Code, Park Maintenance and Development Fund, authorizing the collection of a tax to provide a source of funding for park development and maintenance will expire by its own terms on June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Rocklin proposes to continue to provide a source of funding for park maintenance and development with a special tax; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Sections 53720 *et seq.* and California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 4 and Article XIII C, Section 2 provide that no special tax may be imposed unless and until such special tax is approved by a majority of the City Council and then submitted to the electorate of the City of Rocklin and approved by a two thirds majority of the voters voting in an election on the issue.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Rocklin does ordain as follows:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Rocklin proposes, subject to Government Code Sections 53720 et seq. and California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 4 and Article XIII C, Section 2, to repeal and reenact Chapter 3.34 to the Rocklin Municipal Code to continue a source of funding for park maintenance and development through the enactment of a special tax, to read as follows:

**Chapter 3.34**

**PARK MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND**

**3.34.010 Title and purpose**

A. This chapter shall be known as the Park Maintenance and Development Act of 2008.

B. It is the intent of the City Council in adopting this chapter to continue to provide a source of funds for the development, installation, servicing, maintenance, repair and operation of parks and related recreation and appurtenant facilities which may be either currently or subsequently operated, serviced and maintained by the City of Rocklin. Said funds shall be used for the development of parks and recreation facilities, including but not limited to architectural, engineering, and environmental services, and the furnishing of services and materials for the ordinary and usual operation, maintenance, and servicing of these facilities including, but not limited to: personnel for maintenance and operations such as mowing, litter control, irrigation and equipment maintenance; utilities such as water for park irrigation, electricity, and sewer; fertilizers, pesticides, soil amendments, and other agricultural products; replacement trees, shrubs, plants, park and playground equipment, fencing, and sports facilities including lighting; building maintenance and custodial items such as light bulbs, paint, floor care products, sanitation equipment and paper goods; maintenance of swimming pool equipment, building heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, and park maintenance equipment; contract maintenance services; and rents and leases of maintenance equipment.

C. This special tax is not an ad valorem tax on real property, nor a transaction tax, nor sales tax on real property. The tax imposed under this chapter is solely for the purpose of raising revenue necessary for the development and maintenance of parks and related recreation and appurtenant facilities in the City of Rocklin as described above. The revenue raised by this special tax shall be placed in a special fund to be used only for the purposes set forth in this section.

**3.34.020 Authority to adopt measure**

This chapter and the tax authorized herein is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 37100.5 and 53720 et seq. and California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 4, Article XIII C, Section 2, and Article XIII D, Section 3.

**3.34.030 Maximum tax rate**

A. A special tax for park development and maintenance is hereby imposed and shall be levied annually on each residential parcel within the City of Rocklin.

B. What qualifies as a residential parcel shall be determined by reference to the Assessor's Use Code assigned to the parcel as it appears on the most current Placer County Equalized Assessor's Tax Roll, or by actual land use, as determined by land use or building permits issued to the property.

C. The maximum tax rate, by type of residential parcel, is hereby established as follows, subject to an annual adjustment for inflation as provided by section 3.34.040:

ASSESSOR'S USE CODE	TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL PARCEL	TAX PER RESIDENTIAL UNIT
01	Single Family Residential	\$45.00
02	Duplex (each unit)	\$30.00
03	Triplex (each unit)	\$30.00
04	Condominium	\$45.00
05	Apartments (each unit)	\$15.00
10	Vacant Residential Lot	\$15.00
16	Residence on a Commercial Lot	\$45.00
28	Mobile Home Park (each unit)	\$10.00

D. Notwithstanding paragraph C, above, persons 62 years of age and older who own and are the principal occupant of a single family residence, duplex unit, triplex unit, condominium, or a residence located on a commercially zoned lot, are eligible for a discounted tax rate of the following amounts, which are also subject to an annual adjustment for inflation as provided by section 3.34.040:

ASSESSOR'S USE CODE	TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL PARCEL	TAX PER RESIDENTIAL UNIT
98	Single Family Residence	\$10.00
02	Duplex (unit occupied by homeowner)	\$10.00
03	Triplex (unit occupied by homeowner)	\$10.00
04	Condominium	\$10.00
16	Residence on a Commercial Lot	\$10.00

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E. In order to obtain the discounted rate, those eligible under subsection D above must provide proof of eligibility to the City of Rocklin Finance Division on or before June 1 of the year before the year in which the discount will apply or within 30 days of becoming eligible for the discount.

F. Subsidized senior citizen housing projects shall be exempt from the tax upon City's receipt of written notice from the manager or authorized representative of senior citizen housing project that qualifies for this exemption.

G. The classification for each parcel shall be based on the most current Placer County Equalized Assessor's Tax Roll.

**3.34.040 Annual adjustment for inflation**

The tax established by this section shall be adjusted automatically to take into consideration inflation on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each fiscal year, beginning on July 1, 2010, by a factor equal to the percentage increase, if any, of the California Consumer Price Index (for All Urban Consumers) during the twelve (12) months ending on the preceding March 1<sup>st</sup> of the prior fiscal year, as published by the California Department of Industrial Relations.

**3.34.050 Collection of tax; Interest and penalties**

A. The County of Placer Tax Collector shall annually levy on each residential parcel of real property located within the City of Rocklin a special tax in the amount specified in Section 3.34.030. The tax shall be added by the Tax Collector to the parcel's real property tax bill, and the Tax Collector shall take any and all action necessary to collect the tax.

B. The special tax for each fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years shall be due on the same basis, in the same manner, and on the same applicable dates as established by law for the due dates for the other charges and taxes fixed and collected by the County of Placer on behalf of the City of Rocklin.

C. The special tax imposed hereby shall be collected in the same manner, on the same dates, and subject to the same penalties and interest in accordance with the established dates as, or with, other charges and taxes fixed and collected by the County of Placer on behalf of the City of Rocklin. Said special tax, together with all penalties and interest thereon, shall constitute a lien upon the parcel upon which it is levied until it has been paid, and said special tax, together with all penalties and interest thereon, shall, until paid, constitute a personal obligation to the City of Rocklin by the

persons who own the parcel on the date the tax is due.

**3.34.060 Reduction in rate; Tax adjustment**

A. The tax rates imposed by this chapter are maximum rates and may not be increased by the City Council above such maximum rates.

B. The tax imposed by this chapter may be levied at a reduced rate or eliminated by the City Council for any fiscal year upon a determination by the City Council that, after such reduction or elimination, there will be sufficient revenues available to fund park development and maintenance for the ensuing fiscal year. Such reduction or elimination shall be effective only for the fiscal year following such determination.

**3.34.070 Annual Accountability Report**

On or before January 1, 2009, and then at least once a year in each successive year that this ordinance is in effect, the City's finance director shall file an annual report with the City Council reporting the amount of funds collected and expended under this ordinance, and explaining the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the special tax authorized by this ordinance. The annual report shall comply with all requirements set forth in Government Code Section 50075.3.

Section 2. Severability.

If any provision of this ordinance, or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance, is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining sections shall not be affected, but shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this measure are severable.

Section 3. Amendment.

The Rocklin City Council may amend, repeal, amend in part, or repeal in part any provision of Rocklin Municipal Code Chapter 3.34 or this ordinance, other than increasing the maximum tax rate, without a vote of the electorate.

Section 4. This Ordinance No. 926, the Park Maintenance and Development Act of 2008, shall expire by its own terms on February 15, 2023.

Section 5. The City Council of the City of Rocklin shall order the submission to the qualified electors of the City a measure for the approval of this ordinance at the general election to be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008.

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If two-thirds of the voters voting on such measure cast their votes in favor of the ordinance, it will be considered as adopted upon the date the vote is declared by the legislative body, and shall go into effect on February 15, 2008.

Section 6. Within fifteen days of passage of this ordinance, the City Clerk shall cause the full text of the ordinance, with the names of those City Councilmembers voting for and against the ordinance, to be published in the Placer Herald. In lieu of publishing the full text of the ordinance, the City Clerk, if so directed by the City Attorney and within fifteen days, shall cause a summary of the ordinance, prepared by the City Attorney and with the names of the City Councilmembers voting for and against the ordinance, to be published in the Placer Herald, and shall post in the office of the City Clerk a certified copy of the City Councilmembers voting for and against the ordinance. The publication of a summary of the ordinance in lieu of the full text of the ordinance is authorized only where the requirements of Government Code section 36933(c)(1) are met.

INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rocklin held on September 25, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Hill, Magnuson,  
Storey, Yuill, Lund  
NOES: Councilmembers: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers: None  
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: None

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rocklin held on October 9, 2007, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Hill, Storey,  
Magnuson, Yuill, Lund  
NOES: Councilmembers: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers: None  
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: None

Kathy Lund, Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara Ivanusich, City Clerk