Victor E. Salazar
County Clerk / Registrar of Voters

Dear Registered Voter:

The right to vote is fundamental to our democracy and the liberties that we enjoy. Now more than ever, it is important that we demonstrate our support for the democratic process by voting. Please join your fellow citizens and vote in the General Election on November 5, 2002.

On Election Day, as millions of voters across California exercise their right to vote, there will be 730 voting precincts for voters to cast their ballots in Fresno County. The location of your polling place or your method of voting is contained on the back cover.

An informed voter is essential to the electoral process. To assist you with the choices before you, the Fresno County Elections Department is providing this Sample Ballot and Voter's Pamphlet. It contains a copy of your ballot, candidate statements and arguments to the measures on the ballot. It is important that you take the time to read this informational pamphlet and become aware of the items before you at this election.

I trust that you will find this material to be informative and helpful. However, if you have any questions regarding the voting process, please call our office at 488-3246. Our experienced staff will be glad to assist you.

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CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION / ELECCIÓN GENERAL CONSOLIDADA

NOVEMBER 5, 2002, FRESNO COUNTY / 5 DE NOVIEMBRE DEL 2002, CONDADO DE FRESNO

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: You must use a black pen, blue pen or No. 2 pencil to completely fill in the oval to the left of your choice.

INSTRUCCIONES AL ELECTOR: Utilice usted una pluma o bolígrafo de tinta negra o azul, o bien un lápiz No. 2, para llenar completamente el óvalo al lado izquierdo de su preferencia.

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STATE / ESTADO

GOVERNOR / GOBERNADOR

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **GARY DAVID COPELAND** Libertarian / Libertario
  Chief Executive Officer / Funcionario Ejecutivo Principal
- ⬭ **BILL SIMON** Republican / Republicano
  Businessman/Charity Director / Empresario/Director de Organización Caritativa
- ⬭ **REINHOLD GULKE** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Electrical Contractor/Farmer / Contratista de Electricidad/Agricultor
- ⬭ **GRAY DAVIS** Democratic / Democratico
  Governor of the State of California / Gobernador del Estado de California
- ⬭ **IRIS ADAM** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Business Analyst / Analista de Empresas
- ⬭ **PETER MIGUEL CAMEJO** Green / Verde
  Financial Investment Advisor / Asesor Financiero de Inversiones
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR / VICEGOBERNADOR

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **PAUL JERRY HANNOSH** Reform / Reforma
  Educator/Businessman / Educador/Empresario
- ⬭ **BRUCE MC PHERSON** Republican / Republicano
  California State Senator / Senador del Estado de California
- ⬭ **KALEE PRZYBYLAK** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Public Relations Director / Directora de Relaciones Públicas
- ⬭ **CRUZ M. BUSTAMANTE** Democratic / Democratico
  Lieutenant Governor / Vicegobernador
- ⬭ **JIM KING** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Real Estate Broker / Corredor de Bienes Raíces
- ⬭ **DONNA J. WARREN** Green / Verde
  Certified Financial Manager / Administradora Financiera Certificada
- ⬭ **PAT WRIGHT** Libertarian / Libertario
  Ferret Legalization Coordinator / Coordinador de Legalización de Hurones
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

SECRETARY OF STATE
SECRETARIO DE ESTADO

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **EDWARD C. NOONAN** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Businessman / Empresario
- ⬭ **LOUISE MARIE ALLISON** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Teacher/Administrator / Maestra/Administradora
- ⬭ **KEITH OLBERG** Republican / Republicano
  Businessman / Empresario
- ⬭ **KEVIN SHELLEY** Democratic / Democratico
  State Lawmaker / Legislador Estatal
- ⬭ **VALLI SHARPE-GEISLER** Reform / Reforma
  Educator/Technology Coordinator / Educadora/Coordinadora de Tecnología
- ⬭ **LARRY SHOUP** Green / Verde
  Author/Historian / Escritor/Historiador
- ⬭ **GAIL K. LIGHTFOOT** Libertarian / Libertario
  Retired Registered Nurse / Enfermera Registrada Jubilada
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
COMISIONADO DE SEGUROS

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **DALE F. OGDEN** Libertarian / Libertario
  Insurance Consultant/Actuary / Asesor de Seguros/Actuario
- ⬭ **DAVID I. SHEIDLOWER** Green / Verde
  Financial Services Executive / Ejecutivo de Servicios Financieros
- ⬭ **GARY MENDOZA** Republican / Republicano
  Businessman / Empresario
- ⬭ **JOHN GARAMENDI** Democratic / Democratico
  Rancher / Ranchero
- ⬭ **STEVE KLEIN** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Businessman / Empresario
- ⬭ **RAUL CALDERON, JR.** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Health Researcher/Educator / Investigador de Salud/Educador
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA ESTATAL DE COMPENSACIONES
DISTRICT NO. 2 / DISTRITO NO. 2

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **TOM Y. SANTOS** Democratic / Democratico
  Tax Consultant/Realtor / Asesor Impositivo/Corredor de Bienes Raíces
- ⬭ **BILL LEONARD** Republican / Republicano
  State Lawmaker/Businessman / Legislador Estatal/Empresario
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
CONGRESISTA ESTADOUNIDENSE

DISTRICT 19 / DISTRITO 19

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **GEORGE RADANOVICH** Republican / Republicano
  Farmer/Incumbent / Agricultor/Titular
- ⬭ **PATRICK LEE MC HARGUE** Libertarian / Libertario
  Engineer/Business Owner / Ingeniero/Propietario de Empresa
- ⬭ **JOHN VEEN** Democratic / Democratico
  Labor Relations Representative / Representante de Relaciones Laborales
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

STATE SENATOR / SENADOR ESTATAL

DISTRICT 14 / DISTRITO 14

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **CHUCK POOCHIGIAN** Republican / Republicano
  State Senator / Senador Estatal
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, FIFTH APPELLATE DISTRICT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN, QUINTO DISTRITO DE APELACIÓN

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE NICK J. DIBIASO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?

¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADO NICK J. DIBIASO ser elegido al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

⬭ **YES, SÍ** ⬭ **NO, NO**

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL, FIFTH APPELLATE DISTRICT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN, QUINTO DISTRITO DE APELACIÓN

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE DENNIS A. CORNELL be elected to the office for the term provided by law?

¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADO DENNIS A. CORNELL ser elegido al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

⬭ **YES, SÍ** ⬭ **NO, NO**

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUEZ DEL TRIBUNAL SUPERIOR
OFFICE NO. 1 / CARGO NO. 1

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **MARC N. KAPETAN** Private Attorney / Abogado Particular
- ⬭ **JAMES R. OPPLIGER** Chief Homicide Prosecutor / Acusador Principal en Casos de Homicidio
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUEZ DEL TRIBUNAL SUPERIOR
OFFICE NO. 16 / CARGO NO. 16

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **JOHN F. VOGT**
  Senior District Attorney / Fiscal Mayor del Distrito
- ⬭ **PETER KAPETAN**
  Private Attorney / Abogado Particular
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

SCHOOL / ESCOLAR

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
SUPERINTENDENTE DE INSTRUCCÍON PÚBLICA DEL ESTADO

VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- ⬭ **JACK O'CONNELL** State Senator/Teacher / Senador Estatal/Maestro
- ⬭ **KATHERINE H. SMITH** Gov. Bd. Member, Anaheim Union H. S. Dist.. / Membro, Escuela Sec. de Anaheim Union
- ⬭ _____ **Write-In**

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CONTROLLER / CONTRALOR
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **STEVE WESTLY** Democratic / Democratico
  Businessman/Educator / Empresario/Educador
- **LAURA WELLS** Green / Verde
  Financial Systems Consultant / Asesora de Sistemas Financieros
- **TOM MCCLINTOCK** Republican / Republicano
  California State Senator / Senador del Estado de California
- **ERNEST F. VANCE** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Retired Administrator / Administrador Jubilado
- **J. CARLOS AGUIRRE** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Entrepreneur/Businessman / Empresario
- **Write-In** _____

TREASURER / TESORERO
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **MARIAN SMITHSON** Libertarian / Libertario
  West Covina City Treasurer / Tesorera de la Ciudad de West Covina
- **JEANNE-MARIE ROSENMEIER** Green / Verde
  Certified Public Accountant / Contadora Pública Certificada
- **SYLVIA VALENTINE** Natural Law / Natural Ley
  Corporation Office Administrator / Administradora de Oficina Empresarial
- **NATHAN E. JOHNSON** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Transit Operator / Operador de Tránsito
- **PHIL ANGELIDES** Democratic / Democratico
  Treasurer of the State of California / Tesorero del Estado de California
- **GREG CONLON** Republican / Republicano
  Businessman/CPA / Empresario/Contador Público Certificado
- **Write-In** _____

ATTORNEY GENERAL / FISCAL GENERAL
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **DIANE BEALL TEMPLIN** American Ind. / Americano Ind.
  Attorney/Businesswoman / Abogada/Empresaria
- **BILL LOCKYER** Democratic / Democratico
  California Attorney General / Procurador General de California
- **GLEN FREEMAN MOWRER** Green / Verde
  Public Defense Attorney / Abogado Defensor Público
- **ED KUWATCH** Libertarian / Libertario
  Criminal Defense Attorney / Abogado Defensor Penal
- **DICK ACKERMAN** Republican / Republicano
  State Senator/Attorney / Senador Estatal/Abogado
- **Write-In** _____

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY
MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL

DISTRICT 29 / DISTRITO 29
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **STEVE SAMUELIAN** Republican / Republicano
  Congressman's District Director / Director de Distrito de Congresista
- **RICHARD MARTINEZ, JR.** Democratic / Democratico
  Educator / Educador
- **JONATHAN ZWICKEL** Libertarian / Libertario
  Independent Insurance Agent / Agente de Seguros Independiente
- **Write-In** _____

JUDICIAL / JUDICIAL

VOTE YES OR NO FOR EACH OFFICE.
VOTE SÍ O NO POR CADA PUESTO.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA SUPREMA CORTE

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE CARLOS R. MORENO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?
¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADO CARLOS R. MORENO ser elegido al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

- **YES, SÍ**
- **NO, NO**

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA SUPREMA CORTE

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE MARVIN R. BAXTER be elected to the office for the term provided by law?
¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADO MARVIN R. BAXTER ser elegido al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

- **YES, SÍ**
- **NO, NO**

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO DE LA SUPREMA CORTE

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE KATHRYN M. WERDEGAR be elected to the office for the term provided by law?
¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADA KATHRYN M. WERDEGAR ser elegida al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

- **YES, SÍ**
- **NO, NO**

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, COURT OF APPEAL,
FIFTH APPELLATE DISTRICT
PARA JUEZ ASOCIADO, CORTE DE APELACIÓN,
QUINTO DISTRITO DE APELACIÓN

Shall ASSOCIATE JUSTICE GENE GOMES be elected to the office for the term provided by law?
¿Deberá JUEZ ASOCIADO GENE GOMES ser elegido al cargo de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la ley?

- **YES, SÍ**
- **NO, NO**

MEMBER, FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DE FIDEICOMISARIOS DE ESCUELAS DEL CONDADO DE FRESNO
DISTRICT NO. 1 / DISTRITO NO. 1
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **FLOYD D. HARRIS, JR.**
  Director of Transportation / Director de Transporte
- **KEITH EUBANKS**
  Farmer / Agricultor
- **CHARLES S. FRANCIS**
  Incumbent / Titular
- **Write-In** _____

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
DISTRITO DEL INSTITUTO DE LA COMUNIDAD DE STATE CENTER
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER / FIDEICOMISARIO
TRUSTEE AREA NO. 1 / ÁREA FIDEICOMISARIA NO. 1
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **ISABEL BARRERAS** Administrative Assistant/
  Educator / Ayudante de Administración/Educadora
- **ROBERT "BOBBY" KAHN, JR.** Economic
  Development Director / Director de Desarrollo Económico
- **Write-In** _____

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
DISTRITO DEL INSTITUTO DE LA COMUNIDAD DE STATE CENTER
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER / FIDEICOMISARIO
TRUSTEE AREA NO. 4 / ÁREA FIDEICOMISARIA NO. 4
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **ENID PEREZ**
  Attorney at Law / Abogada
- **CARL J. BUXMAN**
  Fruit Grower/Packer / Agricultor/Empacador
- **MARK DALLOS**
  Teacher / Maestro
- **LESLIE W. THONESEN**
  Incumbent / Titular
- **Write-In** _____

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
DISTRITO DEL INSTITUTO DE LA COMUNIDAD DE STATE CENTER
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER / FIDEICOMISARIO
TRUSTEE AREA NO. 5 / ÁREA FIDEICOMISARIA NO. 5
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **DANIEL GARCIA PAYNE**
  Business Owner-Education / Empresario-Educación
- **DOROTHY (DOTTIE) SMITH**
  Incumbent / Titular
- **Write-In** _____

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COUNTY / CONDADO

SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT NO. 1
SUPERVISOR, DISTRITO NO. 1
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **DAN RONQUILLO** Peace Officer/Businessman / Agente del Orden Público/Empresario
- **PHIL LARSON** Farmer/Businessman / Agricultor/Empresario
- Write-In

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER/
TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR
INTERVENTOR-CONTRALOR/TESORERO-TASADOR
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **PAUL A. DICTOS** CPA/Auditor-Controller / Contador Público Certificado/Interventor de Cuentas-Contralor
- **VICKI L. CROW** Auditor-Controller/CPA / Interventor de Cuentas-Contralor/Contadora Pública Certificada
- Write-In

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
FISCAL DEL DISTRITO
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **JEFF HAMILTON** Criminal Prosecutor / Acusador Público en Casos Penales
- **ELIZABETH A. EGAN** Deputy District Attorney / Abogada Asistente de la Fiscalía del Distrito
- Write-In

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR-CORONER
ADMINISTRADOR PÚBLICO-MÉDICO FORENSE
VOTE FOR ONE VOTE POR UNO

- **LORALEE H. CERVANTES** Deputy Coroner / Ayudante del Córoner
- **PAUL TOSTE** Doctor/Veterinary Medicine / Doctor/Medicina Veterinaria
- Write-In

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO VOTERS
PROPUESTAS SOMETIDAS A LOS ELECTORES
STATE / ESTADO

46. HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTER TRUST FUND ACT OF 2002. This act provides for the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2002. For the purpose of providing shelters for battered women, clean and safe housing for low-income senior citizens, emergency shelters for homeless families with children, housing with social services for the homeless and mentally ill, repairs and accessibility improvements to apartments for families and handicapped citizens, homeownership assistance for military veterans, and security improvements and repairs to existing emergency shelters, shall the state create a housing trust fund by issuing bonds totaling two billion one hundred million dollars ($2,100,000,000), paid from existing state funds at an average annual cost of one hundred fifty seven million dollars ($157,000,000) per year over the 30-year life of the bonds, with the requirement that every city and county is eligible to receive funds as specified in the measure and with all expenditures subject to an independent audit?

46. LEY DE 2002 DEL FONDO FIDUCIARIO PARA VIVIENDA Y ALBERGUE DE EMERGENCIA. Esta ley estipula la Ley de 2002 del fondo fiduciario para vivienda y albergue de emergencia. Con el propósito de proporcionar albergues a mujeres maltratadas, vivienda limpia y segura para ciudadanos mayores con bajos ingresos, albergues de emergencia para familias con hijos sin hogar y para los mentalmente enfermos, reparar y mejorar el acceso a apartamentos para familias y ciudadanos discapacitados, asistencia para la adquisición de una casa para los veteranos militares y mejorar y reparar la seguridad de los albergues de emergencia existentes, ¿creará el estado un fondo fiduciario para la vivienda, a través de la emisión de bonos por un total de dos mil cien millones de dólares ($2,100,000,000), pagados con los fondos estatales existentes a un costo anual promedio de ciento cincuenta y siete millones de dólares ($157,000,000) al año por los 30 años de vida de los bonos, con el requerimiento de que todas las ciudades y condados sean elegibles para recibir los fondos según se especifica en la medida y con todos los gastos sujetos a una auditoría independiente?

YES, SÍ NO, NO

49. BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS. STATE GRANTS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Increases state grant funds available for before/after school programs, providing tutoring, homework assistance, and educational enrichment. Requires that, beginning 2004-05, new grants will not be taken from education funds guaranteed by Proposition 98. Fiscal Impact: Additional annual state costs for before and after school programs of up to $455 million, beginning in 2004-05.

49. PROGRAMAS PARA APOYAR ACTIVIDADES ANTES Y DESPUÉS DE LA ESCUELA. OTORGAMIENTOS ESTATALES. INICIATIVA DE LEY PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Aumenta los fondos de otorgamientos estatales para programas que apoyen actividades antes y después de la escuela, que proporcionan tutoría, asistencia en tareas y enriquecimiento educativo. Requiere que, a partir de 2004-05, los nuevos otorgamientos no se tomen de financiamientos a la educación, garantizados conforme a la Propuesta 98. Impacto fiscal: Costos estatales anuales adicionales para los programas de apoyo a las actividades antes y después de la escuela por hasta $455 millones, a partir de 2004-05.

YES, SÍ NO, NO

50. WATER QUALITY, SUPPLY AND SAFE DRINKING WATER PROJECTS. COASTAL WETLANDS PURCHASE AND PROTECTION. BONDS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes $3,440,000,000 general obligation bonds to fund a variety of specified water and wetlands projects. Fiscal Impact: State cost of up to $6.9 billion over 30 years to repay bonds. Reduction in local property tax revenues, up to roughly $10 million annually; partially offset by state funds. Unknown state and local operation and maintenance costs.

50. PROYECTOS RELACIONADOS CON LA CALIDAD, ABASTECIMIENTO Y POTABILIZACIÓN DEL AGUA. COMPRA Y PROTECCIÓN DE LOS MANGLARES COSTEROS. BONOS. INICIATIVA DE LEY PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Autoriza bonos con obligación general por $3,440,000,000 para financiar varios proyectos específicos relacionados con el agua y los manglares. Impacto fiscal: Costo estatal por hasta $6.9 mil millones por más de 30 años para el pago de los bonos. Reducción en los ingresos locales por impuestos sobre la propiedad, hasta cerca de $10 millones anuales, compensados parcialmente con fondos estatales. Costos desconocidos de operación y mantenimiento a nivel estatal y locales.

YES, SÍ NO, NO

51. TRANSPORTATION. DISTRIBUTION OF EXISTING MOTOR VEHICLE SALES AND USE TAX. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Redistributes portion of existing state motor vehicle sales/lease revenues from General Fund to Trust Fund for transportation, environmental, and highway and school bus safety programs. Fiscal Impact: Redirects specified General Fund revenues to transportation-related purposes, totaling about $420 million in 2002-03, $910 million in 2003-04, and increasing amounts annually thereafter, depending on increases in motor vehicle sales and leasing.

51. TRANSPORTE. DISTRIBUCIÓN DE RECAUDACIONES IMPOSITIVAS EXISTENTES PROVENIENTES DE LAS VENTAS Y DEL USO DE VEHÍCULOS. INICIATIVA DE LEY PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Redistribuye parte de los ingresos estatales existentes provenientes de la venta / arrendamiento de vehículos del Fondo General al Fondo fiduciario para los programas de transporte, ambiente y seguridad en las carreteras y los autobuses escolares. Impacto fiscal: Dirige hacia otro lado los ingresos específicos del Fondo General a propósitos relacionados con el transporte por cerca de $420 millones en 2002-03, $910 millones en 2003-04, y aumenta estas cantidades anualmente en el futuro, dependiendo del aumento en la venta y arrendamiento de vehículos.

YES, SÍ NO, NO

SCHOOL / ESCOLAR

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, BOND MEASURE E. To prepare students at Fresno City/Reedley College (Clovis, Madera, Oakhurst Centers) for transfer to four-year colleges and careers, including public safety, firefighting, healthcare technology and business, by upgrading equipment, lighting, wiring, fire safety; replacing portables; repairing plumbing, heating/ventilation; repairing/constructing/equipping classrooms, libraries, computer labs, buildings, parking, acquiring land, shall State Center Community College District issue $161,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, with a Citizens Oversight Committee, annual financial audits and no money for administrator salaries?

PROPUESTA SOBRE BONOS "E" DEL DISTRITO DE INSTITUTOS DE LA COMUNIDAD DEL CENTRO DEL ESTADO. A fin de preparar a los estudiantes de los Institutos de la Comunidad de Fresno City y de Reedley (Centros en Clovis, Madera y Oakhurst) para su traslado a alguna universidad, o para una carrera con algún cuerpo policíaco, o con el cuerpo de bomberos, en la tecnología de la asistencia médica, o en el comercio, mediante el mejoramiento de equipo, alumbrado, instalaciones eléctricas, y salvaguardas contra incendios; para reemplazar las instalaciones portátiles, componer instalaciones sanitarias y sistemas de calefacción y ventilación; para renovar, construir, y habilitar aulas, bibliotecas, laboratorios de computadoras, edificios, estacionamiento, y adquirir terrenos, ¿debe el Distrito de Institutos de la Comunidad del Centro del Estado emitir bonos en la cantidad de $161,000,000, a tasas de interés legales, con un Consejo de Supervisión compuesto de Ciudadanos, con revisión anual de cuentas, y sin destinar ninguna parte del rendimiento a sueldos de administradores?

YES, SÍ NO, NO

47. KINDERGARTEN-UNIVERSITY PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2002. This thirteen billion fifty million dollar ($13,050,000,000) bond issue will provide funding for necessary education facilities to relieve overcrowding and to repair older schools. Funds will be targeted to areas of the greatest need and must be spent according to strict accountability measures. Funds will also be used to upgrade and build new classrooms in the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, to provide adequate higher education facilities to accommodate the growing student enrollment. These bonds may be used only for eligible projects. Fiscal Impact: State cost of about $26.2 billion over 30 years to pay off both the principal ($13.05 billion) and interest ($13.15 billion) costs on the bonds. Payments of about $873 million per year.

47. LEY DE 2002 DEL BONO PARA INSTALACIONES DE EDUCACIÓN PÚBLICA DESDE JARDÍN DE NIÑOS HASTA UNIVERSIDAD. Esta emisión de bonos por trece mil cincuenta millones de dólares ($13,050,000,000) proporcionará el financiamiento a las instalaciones educativas necesarias para aliviar la sobrepoblación y reparar escuelas viejas. Los fondos se destinarán a las áreas con mayores necesidades y deben gastarse de acuerdo con medidas estrictas en la rendición de cuentas. Los fondos también se usarán para actualizar y construir nuevas aulas en las Universidades de la Comunidad de California, las Universidades Estatales de California y la Universidad de California, para proporcionar instalaciones adecuadas de educación superior, y así acomodar una mayor inscripción de estudiantes. Estos bonos sólo se podrán usar en proyectos elegibles. Impacto fiscal: Costos para el Estado de unos $26.2 mil millones a lo largo de 30 años para pagar el capital ($13.05 mil millones) y los costos de intereses ($13.15 mil millones) de los bonos. Pagos de unos $873 millones anuales.

◯ **YES, SÍ** ◯ **NO, NO**

48. COURT CONSOLIDATION. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends Constitution to delete references to the municipal courts, which references are now obsolete due to the consolidation of superior and municipal trial courts into unified superior courts. Fiscal Impact: No additional cost to state or local government.

48. CONSOLIDACIÓN DE LA CORTE. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL LEGISLATIVA. Enmienda la Constitución para eliminar las referencias a las cortes municipales, cuyas referencias quedaron obsoletas debido a la consolidación de las cortes litigantes superiores y municipales en cortes superiores unificadas. Impacto fiscal: Sin costo adicional para los gobiernos estatal o locales.

◯ **YES, SÍ** ◯ **NO, NO**

52. ELECTION DAY VOTER REGISTRATION. VOTER FRAUD PENALTIES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows legally eligible persons to register to vote on election day. Increases criminal penalties for voter and voter registration fraud. Criminalizes conspiracy to commit voter fraud. Fiscal Impact: Annual state costs of about $6 million to fund counties for election day voter registration activities. No anticipated net county costs. Minor state administrative costs and unknown, but probably minor, state costs to enforce new election fraud offense.

52. REGISTRO DE VOTANTES PARA EL DÍA DE LA ELECCIÓN. PENAS POR EL FRAUDE A VOTANTES. INICIATIVA DE LEY PARA PROMULGAR UN ESTATUTO. Permite que las personas legalmente elegibles se registren para votar en el día de elecciones. Aumenta las sanciones de carácter penal para fraudes de votantes y registro de los mismos. Convierte a la conspiración para cometer fraude electoral en un delito. Impacto fiscal: Costos estatales anuales por unos $6 millones para financiar las actividades de registro de votantes en el día de las elecciones. No se anticipan costos netos para los condados. Costos administrativos estatales menores y desconocidos, pero probablemente menores, costos estatales para hacer valer la ley por el nuevo delito de fraude electoral.

◯ **YES, SÍ** ◯ **NO, NO**

CITY / CIUDAD

CITY OF FRESNO CHARTER AMENDMENT, MEASURE B. ADDING TWO MEMBERS TO THE RETIREMENT BOARD. Shall the Charter be amended to add two members to the Retirement Board of the Fresno City Employees Retirement System, to include a member elected by and from the retirees of the Fresno City Employees Retirement System, and a member appointed by the Mayor with approval by Council from the qualified electors of the City?

PROPUESTA "B" DE ENMIENDA A LA CARTA CONSTITUCIONAL DE LA CIUDAD DE FRESNO. AGREGANDO DOS MIEMBROS A LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA SOBRE LA JUBILACIÓN. ¿Debe enmendarse la Carta Constitucional para agregar dos miembros a la Junta Directiva del Plan de Jubilación de los Empleados Municipales de Fresno, a fin de incluir un miembro jubilado de dicho Plan, elegido por los jubilados del mismo, y otro miembro, escogido de entre los electores capacitados del Municipio, nombrado por el Alcalde, con la aprobación del Concejo Municipal?

◯ **YES, SÍ** ◯ **NO, NO**

COUNTY / CONDADO

FRESNO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION MEASURE C. Shall Fresno County voters authorize an extension of up to thirty years of the current one-half percent sales tax to be used in accordance with the Expenditure Plan adopted by the Authority to provide countywide transportation improvements which will contribute to increased mobility, less traffic congestion, improved air quality and increased safety? The Authority is authorized to issue bonds payable from the proceeds of that tax and establishes the appropriations limit of the Authority in the amount of 482 million dollars ($482,000,000) .

PROPUESTA "C" SOBRE EL TRANSPORTE DEL CONDADO DE FRESNO. ¿Deben los electores del Condado de Fresno autorizar una prórroga de hasta treinta años del actual impuesto de cinco décimos del uno por ciento sobre ventas, destinándose los fondos del mismo, conforme al Plan de Erogaciones adoptado por la Autoridad, a mejoras en el sistema vial del condado, mejoras que facilitarán el desplazamiento, disminuirán el congestionamiento y la contaminación del aire, además de reducir el número de accidentes? La Autoridad tiene licencia para emitir bonos pagaderos del rendimiento de dicho impuesto, y establece el límite fiscal de la Autoridad en la cantidad de 482 millones de dólares ($482,000,000) .

◯ **YES, SÍ** ◯ **NO, NO**

TURN OVER AND VOTE BOTH SIDES VOLTIE Y VOTE AMBOS LADOS

VOTER'S PAMPHLET

The following pages contain

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS
together with
BALLOT MEASURES, ANALYSES,
ARGUMENTS AND STATEMENT OF GROUNDS

ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE
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IMPORTANT VOTER NOTICE

Proposition 34, was adopted by the voters at the November 7, 2000 General Election. Provisions of this law limit the amount of contributions by individuals and other entities and requires all candidates running for statewide office, State Assembly and Senate to declare whether they will voluntarily limit their campaign expenditures.

Candidates who voluntarily limit their campaign expenditures in accordance with Proposition 34, may submit a candidate statement for inclusion in the sample ballot booklet. Following is a list of legislative candidates who have agreed to voluntary spending limits:

Office	District	Candidate Name	Party
Assembly	29	Jonathan Zwickel	Libertarian
Assembly	30	Nicole M. Parra	Democratic
Assembly	31	Sarah Reyes	Democratic

✪ Denotes the candidates on the following pages who also submitted statements. The statements were printed at the expense of the candidate and have not been edited or verified for accuracy by the elections official. No corrections have been made for spelling or grammar.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, OFFICE NO. 1

MARC N. KAPETAN

- Private Attorney/Managing Partner of successful law firm
- Pro Tem Judge
- Fresno County District Attorney Research Clerk
- Admitted to California Supreme Court and U.S. District Court
- Fresno County Mock Trial Teacher
- Supported by District Attorneys, Police, Sheriffs, Court Staff

According to California Courtroom Statistics, Fresno County is the most inefficient of California's largest counties with the SECOND WORST FELONY CONVICTION RATE. "Business as usual" isn't working.

ON THE SURFACE, ELECTING PROSECUTORS AS JUDGES MAY APPEAR TO BE A GOOD IDEA, BUT IT DOESN'T WORK IN PRACTICE!

Unlike them, I have handled cases throughout California appearing before over 100 judges. I will bring EFFICIENCY, TIMELINESS, PROFESSIONALISM, and most importantly TOUGH PENALTIES to the courthouse.

As the sons of a Marine Corps Colonel, my brothers Jon, Peter and I are dedicated to MAKING A DIFFERENCE. I'm not looking for a government pension. I will go in, get the job done, then go back to private practice.

You, the Citizens of Fresno County, will be my employer. You deserve a judge who will make Fresno SAFE FROM CRIME, who will START ON TIME AND WORK HARD, just as you do at your job. You deserve no less than the very best from your employee.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, OFFICE NO. 1

JIM OPPLIGER **AGE: 55**

- Fresno County's Chief Deputy District Attorney – Homicide Division
- California's "PROSECUTOR OF THE YEAR"
- Prosecutor, "Dana Ewell Triple-Murder Trial"
- Law School Professor
- Homicide Courses Instructor
- 25 YEARS CRIMINAL AND CIVIL COURTROOM EXPERIENCE, including death penalty trials
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Juris Doctorate

My credentials have led to broad-based support including: Supervisors Susan Anderson, Bob Waterston, Juan Arambula, Sheriffs Steve Magarian, Hal McKinney, Lieutenant Governor Cruz Bustamante, the former and current District Attorney, vast majority of Superior Court Judges, "Three-Strikes" author Mike Reynolds, and Crime Victims United.

Most importantly, the people I work with know me as a hard worker with uncompromising integrity. Because of my crime fighting record and support for victim's rights, I am endorsed by virtually every law enforcement organization. Among my supporters are: Fresno FIREFIGHTERS, Fresno Deputy SHERIFFS', Fresno and Clovis POLICE OFFICERS, and PROSECUTOR'S Association.

The community deserves a judge who's knowledgeable, fair, experienced, and will ensure swift punishment for criminals. "Tough on Crime" isn't just a slogan—it's my track record.

My experience and record make me the best qualified candidate based on DEEDS NOT WORDS. Ask any police officer, firefighter, lawyer or judge who they'd recommend.

I would be honored by your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, OFFICE NO. 16

JOHN F. VOGT **AGE: 48**

Occupation: Senior Deputy District Attorney

Qualifications:

- 23 years experience in Criminal Prosecution, Civil Practice and service as Judge Pro Tempore and Commercial Arbitrator.
- 15 years, Deputy District Attorney. 3 years in the Narcotics Unit. Past 6 years in the Sexual Assault Unit, successfully prosecuting Child Molesters, Rapists, Kidnappers.
- Extensive court and trial experience with numerous jury convictions, many resulting in life sentences.
- Fresno native. Married to SOSI CHITAKIAN.
- Endorsements include: Fresno County PROSECUTORS' and INVESTIGATORS' Associations, the DISTRICT ATTORNEY, Fresno County DEPUTY SHERIFFS' Association, FRESNO, CLOVIS, SANGER and AIRPORT POLICE OFFICERS' Associations, California NARCOTICS OFFICERS' and CORRECTIONAL PEACE OFFICERS' Associations, Retired Sheriffs HAL McKINNEY and STEVE MAGARIAN, "Three Strikes" Advocate, MIKE REYNOLDS, Victims' Services Organizations, including CRIME VICTIMS UNITED of California, and incumbent and retired Judges.
- This community deserves the service of a Judge proven to be knowledeable and fair. I bring a wealth of professional and life experience to the Bench and have earned the support of the legal community, civic leaders, community organizations and citizens throughout this large and diverse county. As a PROVEN PROSECUTOR, I am ready to serve this community as a Superior Court Judge – Tough on Crime, Dedicated to the Community. I would be honored by your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, OFFICE NO. 16

PETER N. KAPETAN

Occupation: Attorney

- Fresno County Deputy District Attorney (1990-1993)
- 2nd in class at McGeorge School of Law
- Four American Jurisprudence Awards
- Volunteer for Fresno Police Academy Moot Court
- Judge Pro Tem
- Law Professor

As a former prosecutor, private attorney and married father of two young children, I support the Death Penalty, Three Strikes, Use a Gun and You're Done, registration of sexual predators and trying juveniles as adults in serious cases.

As the son of a decorated Marine Corps Colonel, I will hold defendants responsible for their actions.

I advocate a more efficient, streamlined court system for quick, fair and effective prosecutions.

An efficient court system will also benefit the economy by enabling civil cases to be heard quickly.

I am not a life long bureaucrat. I am the only candidate in the race with an impeccable record with the California State Bar.

I have worked in the private sector most of my life.

I am a small business owner who achieved a successful business through hard work and dedication.

I am supported and endorsed by Prosecutors, District Attorneys, law enforcement personnel, Judges, business owners and taxpayer advocates.

It would be an honor to serve the community. Thank you for your support.

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DISTRICT NO. 1

PHIL LARSON

STRAIGHT TALK – HARD WORK – INTEGRITY

Serving the public and improving our community has always been important to me. I served in the Marine Corps. I served on local school boards. Now, I'm working hard to become your Supervisor.

I was pleased with a strong first place finish in the March primary. Voters expressed concerns about crime, the economy and jobs, excessive tax and fee increases, and wasteful government spending.

As your Supervisor, I'll work to:

- MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS SAFE FROM CRIME. Law enforcement needs our support to keep our community safe. The California Association of Police and Sheriffs and the Kerman Police Officers' Association have endorsed me.
- PROTECT LOCAL JOBS. We must look for ways to help small business and protect jobs for local workers. Strong, stable leadership with a common-sense business-like approach is important for Fresno's future. I've been endorsed by the political action committee of the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce

When the City and County fight in court, taxpayers lose. We need a Supervisor who can work with other elected officials to ensure that all residents are well represented. Please call me at 288-9287 with any questions. I'll always give you a straight answer.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER/TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR

PAUL A. DICTOS

Occupation: Auditor-Controller/Certified Public Accountant

WE NEED A WATCHDOG INDEPENDENT COUNTY AUDITOR.

We've all witnessed the Scandals and Betrayals caused by auditors who became Insiders who hold Divided Loyalties.

Today's FINANCIAL SCANDALS are a hard reminder that INDEPENDENCE is a MUST if Audits and financial reports are to be TRUSTED.

I'M AN INDEPENDENT OUTSIDER – AN EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL.

I'm running for auditor because I fear that Career Insider Bureaucrats lack the independence that the public requires. I'll be loyal and accountable to Taxpayers, not government insiders.

FRESNO COUNTY SPENDS 1.4 BILLION OF YOUR TAX MONIES EACH YEAR. Waste, fraud and mismanagement must be gutted!!!!. Sheriff Deputies, Prosecutors and Parole Agents must be hired Now!!!!.

I've the independence and experience to ensure that YOUR HARD EARNED TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT WISELY and EFFECTIVELY.

I'm a trusted long-time INDEPENDENT AUDITOR for Fresno County – backed by Republicans and Democrats (but not by bureaucrats).

I'll put my unmatched, SEASONED FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP to work for you and our County's PUBLIC SAFETY AND FINANCIAL SECURITY.

- 27 years in Public Accounting Practice
- 4 years (concurrent) corporate CONTROLLER
- 5 years with City of Fresno - AUDITOR
- Graduate - FSU School of Business
- A 93-year family history in Fresno County
- Married 35 years – three children
- www.pauldictos.com

YOUR VOTE IS YOUR VOICE!!!!.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER/TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR

VICKI L. CROW **AGE: 42**

Occupation: Auditor-Controller/CPA

Education and Qualifications: I bring to the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector's office an unmatched combination of work experience and education. I have both County Auditor-Controller and Public Accounting experience. I received my Masters in Business Administration from Fresno State at the top of my class. Because of my role in the first Craig School of Business MBA Consulting Team project, I was selected as the Graduate Dean's Medallist recipient. I bring:

- Extensive experience in County Government, including Division Chief of General Accounting in the Auditor-Controller's office
- Over seven years of Public Accounting experience, including audits of not-for-profit and profit oriented organizations
- Controller of an agricultural processing company
- Business advisory services, including crisis management, controllership and mergers/acquisitions

Fresno County faces serious financial issues. The County needs a fiscal leader that can implement honest and effective systems of control and accountability. I will provide a prudent and conservative fiscal management approach that will protect vital public services in Fresno County. I commit to maintaining and communicating accurate accounting and financial information to the Fresno County taxpayers. I would be honored by your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

JEFF HAMILTON

Occupation: Criminal Prosecutor

Protecting the public's safety requires experience. As a Criminal Prosecutor in the District Attorney's office, I am the ONLY candidate who has earned the distinction of being a Certified Criminal Law Specialist and put violent criminals in prison for homicide, rape, and child molestation.

Fresno County's working officers and prosecutors know that experience counts. After examining both candidates, local and state crime fighters have overwhelmingly endorsed my candidacy, including these Associations:

- Fresno County Deputy Sheriffs
- Fresno County Prosecutors
- Clovis, Coalinga, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger and Selma Police Officers
- Clovis Firefighters
- California Narcotics Officers, PLUS the 50,000 Police Officers and Deputy Sheriffs represented by the Peace Officers Research Association of California.

I have tried and CONVICTED:

- "One-Strike" Child Molesters
- "Three-Strike" Offenders including Domestic Violence
- Violent, Armed Criminals

I support:

- Death penalty and "Three-Strikes"
- Swifter prosecution and tougher sentences
- Using DNA to establish guilt
- Zero tolerance for crimes against children and seniors
- Wiping out methamphetamine labs
- Working with at-risk youth to help them avoid a life of crime

As a husband, father of two boys, and proven crime fighter, I will use my experience to help make Fresno County a safer place to live, work and raise a family.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

ELIZABETH A. EGAN **AGE: 43**

Occupation: Deputy District Attorney

Law enforcement supports me:

Sheriff Steve Magarian • District Attorney Ed Hunt • Judge Blaine Pettitt • Citizens for Law and Order • Northern Alliance of Law Enforcement • California Correctional Peace Officers • California Coalition of Law Enforcement • Fresno Airport Peace Officers and Firefighters; Associations representing thousands of law enforcement officers who risk their lives for us daily.

Leaders support me:

Congressman Cal Dooley, Senator Chuck Poochigian, Mike Reynolds, former Attorney General and Governor George Deukmejian.

Qualifications:

- Presently a narcotics prosecutor.
- Prosecuted armed robberies, carjackings, drug dealers and rape.
- Directed District Attorney's Rural Domestic Violence Program.
- Decade of small business management experience in private industry.
- Former Rape Crisis Counselor.
- Member: California Farm Bureau, California Women for Agriculture, Narcotics Officers' Association, Crime Victims United.

I strongly support:

- Death penalty / Three Strikes Law.
- Well designed juvenile drug / gang intervention programs to reduce delinquency, altering cycles that lead to adult crime.
- Aggressive prosecution of violent offenders, career criminals, and drug dealers so Fresno isn't known as the world's methamphetamine capital.
- Seniors: I'll prosecute those trying to exploit / steal your life savings.

Public Safety is my #1 priority, I'm a tough, no-nonsense, experienced prosecutor who has the professional skills and business experience needed. I would sincerely appreciate your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR-CORONER

LORALEE H. CERVANTES

Occupation: Deputy Coroner

The Coroner/Public Administrator is two jobs. The Coroner investigates the manner and cause of death, using forensic pathologists when necessary. The Public Administrator investigates and settles decedents' estates. I have the experience, administrative and leadership skills needed for both jobs.

EXPERIENCE:

Seventeen years combined "hands on" experience as a Fresno County Deputy Coroner and Public Administrator. I am the only candidate with the right combination of unique investigative skills and experience needed to be Coroner and Public Administrator.

EDUCATION:

- Masters Degree, Public Administration
- B.S., Criminology. Fresno State.

FULL TIME COMMITMENT:

I am the only candidate who will be the FULL TIME and DEDICATED Coroner/Public Administrator Fresno County needs. I won't treat the job as a "sideline" to another occupation.

ENDORSED by LAW ENFORCEMENT, MEDICAL EXPERTS and prominent ATTORNEYS:

- Fresno County District Attorney Investigators Association
- Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association
- Fresno Police Officer's Association
- Clovis Police Officer's Association
- Peace Officers Research Association of California
- California Order of Police and Sheriff's
- Steve Avalos, M.D. – Forensic Pathologist
- Jerry Nelson, M.D. – Forensic Pathologist
- Stan Louie, D.O. – Family Practice Physician
- Mary Sadlek, M.D. – Family Practice Physician
- James Gregory, J.D. – Probate Attorney
- Leonard Deal, J.D. – Probate Attorney

I would be honored to receive your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR-CORONER

PAUL TOSTE **AGE: 46**

Occupation: Doctor/Veterinary Medicine

While the general public may have little contact with the office of Public Administrator/Coroner, it is extremely important to elect a professional with MEDICAL TRAINING, private BUSINESS EXPERIENCE, INDEPENDENCE, and LEADERSHIP capabilities. I have the INTEGRITY, WORK ETHIC, and COMPASSION to do an excellent job. I was very honored and pleased to place first in the March Primary with 49% of the vote.

- EDUCATION: I graduated from Clovis High School and from CSU-Fresno. I went on to obtain my Master's and Doctorate degrees from the University of California.
- COMMUNITY and PUBLIC SERVICE include: Chamber of Commerce Director, 2 years; Past-President and 16 year member of Rotary; Current President and 17 year member of the Central California Veterinary Medical Association; active member in my church and local public school.
- MEDICAL TRAINING and EXPERIENCE: I am the only candidate with medical training and 17 years of experience in private practice.

I am honored to have the support of and endorsement from community leaders including retiring Public Administrator/Coroner Dr. David Hadden, Fresno County District Attorney Edward Hunt and Dr. Anna Marie Gonzalez, President of the Fresno-Madera Medical Society.

Thank you for your consideration.

CITY OF FRESNO CHARTER AMENDMENT, MEASURE B
FULL TEXT OF MEASURE

Section 910 of the Charter of the City of Fresno is amended to read:

SECTION 910. RETIREMENT AND/OR PENSION BOARDS.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Charter, the City of Fresno Fire and Police Retirement Board ~~and the City of Fresno Employee's Retirement Board~~ shall each consist of five members, selected as follows:

~~(a)~~ (1) two members elected by and from the City employees affected; and,

~~(b)~~ (2) two members from management appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council; and,

~~(c)~~ (3) the fifth member chosen by the previously designated four members.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Charter, the City of Fresno Employee's Retirement Board shall consist of seven members, selected as follows:

(1) two members elected by and from the City employees affected; and,

(2) two members from management appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council; and,

(3) one member elected by and from the retirees of the Fresno City Employees Retirement System; and

(4) one member appointed by the Mayor with the approval by the City Council from the qualified electors of the City; and

(5) one member chosen by the previously designated members.

(c) The members of such boards shall be removable only by the appointing or electing authority.

(d) The Retirement Boards shall appoint and direct a Retirement Administrator who shall report to the Boards; serve at the Boards's pleasure; administer the retirement office and its financial affairs as directed by the Boards; appoint, suspend and remove subordinate employees subject to the Civil Service System provisions of this Charter; and perform such other administrative duties as directed by the Boards.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY CITY ATTORNEY

Existing Charter Section 910 provides for the composition and selection of members to the City of Fresno Employees' Retirement Board and City of Fresno Fire and Police Retirement Board. Each Retirement Board is currently comprised of five members as follows: two members who are elected by and from the City employees affected; two members from management appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council; and a fifth member chosen by the previously designated four members.

This measure, if adopted, will amend Charter Section 910 as it relates to the City of Fresno Employees' Retirement Board only. The proposed measures adds two members to the Retirement Board. One new member shall be elected by and from the retirees of the Fresno City Employees Retirement System, and the other new member shall be appointed by the Mayor with approval of the City Council, from the qualified electors of the City of Fresno. With the addition of these two members, the City of Fresno Employees' Retirement Board shall consist of a total of seven members. This measure must be approved by a simple majority vote of the voters for adoption.

s/ Hilda Cantú Montoy
City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B

This Ballot Measure to add members to the City of Fresno Employees Retirement Board is important because it addresses the changing demographics of the population and takes their needs into account as pension policies are being shaped. Retirees are important stakeholders in the Employees Retirement System of the City of Fresno. Representation on the Retirement Board will ensure that not only are employees' needs met while they are still working, but also upon retirement.

Many cities and counties, throughout the State of California, include a retiree on the board. Including a retiree on the board will serve as a catalyst for improving the board's ability to function administratively and will allow issues retirees face when they are no longer employed to be addressed. Experienced, mature individuals will be added to the board who are well versed in city operations, and who truly have an interest in the maintenance of a fiscally sound and well-managed retirement system.

In addition, adding another public member to the board will also increase the level of analytical, financial, and administrative expertise on the board.

The overall goal of the proponents of this ballot measure is to ensure that the City of Fresno Employees Retirement Board is representative of people who care deeply about their fiduciary responsibility.

Voting YES for this ballot measure will ensure that the City of Fresno Employees Retirement Board is consistent with other boards of this nature throughout the state. Your positive vote will also ensure that the Board is run efficiently and effectively with improved administrative operations. This is a no cost measure with great returns for the service population.

s/ Mary Foreman
President
Fresno Organization of Retired City Employees

s/ Linzie L. Daniel
President
JoDan and Associates

s/ George A. Kerber
Dir. Planning & Inspection-Fresno (Ret.)

s/ J. A. Martin
Public Works Dir. (Ret.)

s/ Howard F. Boston
Deputy City Manager (Retired)

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED

Measure C Extension Expenditure Plan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

FRESNO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION MEASURE C

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE

Shall Fresno County voters authorize an extension of up to thirty years of the current one-half percent sales tax to be used in accordance with the Expenditure Plan adopted by the Authority to provide countywide transportation improvements which will contribute to increased mobility, less traffic congestion, improved air quality and increased safety? The Authority is authorized to issue bonds payable from the proceeds of that tax and establishes the appropriations limit of the Authority in the amount of 482 million dollars ($482,000,000).

Introduction

Fresno County is the heart of one of the fastest growing regions in California, now the fifth largest economy in the world. As our population approaches the one million mark, our infrastructure must change and grow to meet tomorrow's needs and preserve our quality of life for local residents.

Transportation, and related issues like air quality, lifestyle choices, and ease of mobility, is a key component of our quality of life. As we move Fresno County forward, the extension of Measure "C" will benefit our communities by improving transportation systems and choices for every local resident.

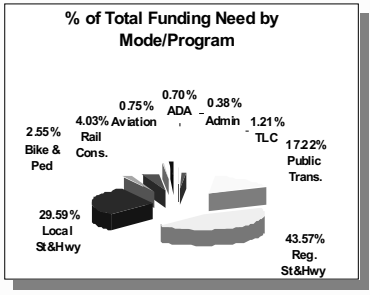
How the Plan Was Developed

A broad-based Community Steering Committee representing diverse interests labored for almost a year to develop this Measure "C" Expenditure Plan. The Committee, representing organizations from the business community, professional planners, city and County jurisdictions, and community advocates listened to presentations on all transportation modes and discussed air quality issues, and heard innovative ideas for taking advantage of technological and land use advances. Residents were surveyed to identify and prioritize needs. The work of the Steering Committee and the needs identified by Fresno County residents were considered in developing the Plan.

Expenditure Plan Commitments

As we move Fresno County forward, the extension of Measure "C" will benefit our communities by improving transportation systems and choices for every local resident. These are highlights of the program:

- **TRANSIT** – $364 million minimum. More mobility for seniors and people with disabilities as well as low-income families. More routes, more buses (including low emission), more night and weekend service, more bus shelters and safer access.
- **TRANSPORTATION CHOICES** - $98 million
  - ✔ **Top Priority - ACCESS FOR DISABLED**. ADA Compliance will include curb cuts and ramps, and the removal of barriers, as well as special transportation services.
  - ✔ **TRAILS, BIKE PATHS & LANES**. Completion of the Class 1 bike and pedestrian trail system is allocated in the metropolitan area through Transportation Choice Program funds.
  - ✔ **OTHER NON-AUTO TRAVEL CHOICES**. Funding incentives for more public transportation or other programs that help revitalize neighborhoods so that people do not have to drive everywhere.
- **MAINTENANCE** - $245 million guaranteed minimum for repairs and improvements to local streets and roads, including potholes, sidewalks, and other repairs.
- **LOCAL DISCRETIONARY PROGRAM** - $637 million for maintenance, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, signals, transit, landscaping or air quality infrastructure, allowing all our local communities to meet their local needs.
- **RAIL CONSOLIDATION** - $150 million is reserved for increased safety, and less congestion by moving railroad tracks and separating grades.
- **AIR SERVICE** - More than $28 million will be invested in improvements to Fresno Yosemite International Airport.
- **REGIONAL URBAN PROGRAM** ($667 million) and **REGIONAL RURAL PROGRAM** ($583 million) for a variety of transportation purposes, with special consideration for control measures to improve air quality. The regional program is the funding source for providing connectivity between communities.



- **PLANNING FOR TOMORROW'S GROWTH** - An Alternative Transportation Infrastructure Study will allow Fresno County residents to take advantage of technological innovation and advances in public transit and land use planning.
- **ADMINISTRATION** - By law, no more than 1% of Measure "C" funds can be used for administration.

Table 1-1 and the pie chart identify the Measure "C" program funding commitments. A full description of funding commitments and implementing guidelines is provided in Chapter 3 of the Plan and describes how Measure "C" will address each of the transportation system needs identified in Chapter 2 of the Plan.

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TABLE 1-1
MEASURE "C" EXTENSION COMMITMENTS

	% of Total	30 Year Funding Total	Annualized Funding Amount
MEASURE "C" SALES TAX REVENUE	*100%*	*$2,800,000,000*	*$93,333,333*
FUNDING PROGRAMS			
Administration	1.0%	$28,000,000	$933,333
Public Transportation	13.00%	$364,000,000	$12,133,333
City of Fresno	*10.00%*	$280,000,000	*$9,333,333*
City of Clovis	*2.00%*	$56,000,000	*$1,866,667*
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency	*1.00%*	$28,000,000	*$933,333*
Local Transportation Purposes	35.0%	$980,000,000	$32,666,667
Transportation Choice Program [10% of Local]	*3.50%*	$98,000,000	*$3,266,667*
Maintenance/Rehabilitation/In-Fill	*8.75%*	$245,000,000	*$8,166,667*
Fresno, Clovis, Fresno County *[25% of Local]*	*7.42%*	$207,760,000	*$6,925,333*
Other Jurisdictions *[10% of Local]*	*1.33%*	$37,240,000	*$1,241,333*
Discretionary Program [Remaining Balance]	*22.75%*	$637,000,000	*$21,233,333*
Regional Transportation Purposes	51.00%	$1,428,000,000	$47,600,000
Fresno Yosemite International Airport	*1.00%*	*$28,000,000*	*$933,333*
Rail Consolidation [maximum $150 million]	*5.00%*	*$150,000,000*	*$5,000,000*
Regional Urban Program	*24.00%*	*$667,000,000*	*$22,233,333*
Regional Rural Program	*21.00%*	*$583,000,000*	*$19,433,333*
TOTAL:	*100.0%*	*$2,800,000,000*	*$93,333,333*

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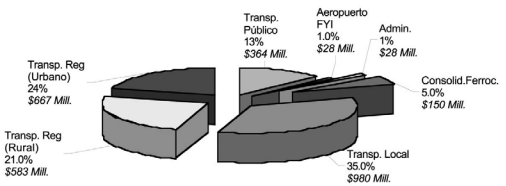

First 10-Year Project Commitments

Public Transportation Improvements

The Cities of Fresno and Clovis and the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) are committed to the provision of public transportation improvements. The following projects have been identified as "first priority" improvements by each agency. In addition, the need for enhanced coordination of services is discussed in Chapter 4 of the Plan.

City of Fresno – Fresno Area Express

- improve frequencies to every 15 minutes on the busiest routes on the public transportation system in Fresno; and
- enhance the delivery of paratransit to the disabled community consistent with federal and state law.

City of Clovis

- improve frequencies to every 15 minutes on the busiest routes on the public transportation system in Clovis;
- enhance the delivery of paratransit to the disabled community consistent with federal and state law;
- install an automated farebox system; and
- purchase clean fueled buses.

Fresno County Rural Transit Agency

- expand rural transit services to meet the needs of the general public, including the elderly, disabled, youth and low-income patrons of Fresno County;
- purchase clean fueled buses; and
- other operational and infrastructure improvements to provide better services within the rural cities of Fresno County, and better services to the unincorporated areas.

Regional Transportation Improvements

The Regional Transportation Purposes program includes improvements for Fresno Yosemite International Airport, rail consolidation, and regional projects in the urban and rural areas of the County. A description of each is presented below with more detail provided in Chapters 3 and 4 of the Plan.

Fresno Yosemite International Airport

Within the regional program, 1% of the Measure "C" funds will be dedicated to Fresno Yosemite International (FYI) Airport. The funds will be used for continued improvement, whether infrastructure, operations, or leveraging State and federal revenues.

Rail Consolidation

Consolidating the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe tracks along the existing Union Pacific corridor adjacent to Freeway 99 is important for reasons of safety, congestion relief, and air quality. A $150 million commitment of Measure "C" funds has been made available to leverage other state and federal funds to bring about this rail consolidation.

Streets and Highways

The maps on pages 6 & 7 identify the regional street and highway projects in the urban and rural areas of the County. These projects, together with other regional projects (graphically displayed on maps for each rural city and provided in Chapter 4 of the Plan), represent the most important projects to improve safety, mobility, air quality and traffic flow over time based upon technical evaluation using the Fresno COG Regional Traffic Model.

Local Transportation Improvements

Local transportation improvements include activities identified in the Transportation Choice Program and discretionary projects identified by the cities and the County. A description of each is presented below with more detail provided in Chapters 3 and 4 of the Plan.

Transportation Choice

The Transportation Choice Program referenced in Chapter 3 of the Plan, is designed to enhance other transportation programs that are non-auto oriented or that will reduce vehicle trips by providing a number of choices to satisfy mobility needs. This funding program is not for normal street and road purposes, but instead will be available to fund any of the following activities:

- pedestrian trails and bicycle facilities;

- public transportation;
- special transportation services or installations that facilitate mobility of seniors and people with disabilities; and
- Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC), using transportation funds as incentives for infill housing, street revitalization, redevelopment, mixed use infill, and infill schools and businesses.

Discretionary Program

Local projects identified by each rural city are provided in Chapter 4 of the Plan. Local projects include public transportation improvements, bikeways, pedestrian facilities, street and road reconstruction, rehabilitation, and widening, streetscaping, and other improvements.

Citizen Oversight

An independent Citizens Oversight Committee will monitor all expenditures to ensure they are spent as promised. Appendix C of the Plan provides details regarding the formation and responsibilities of the Committee.

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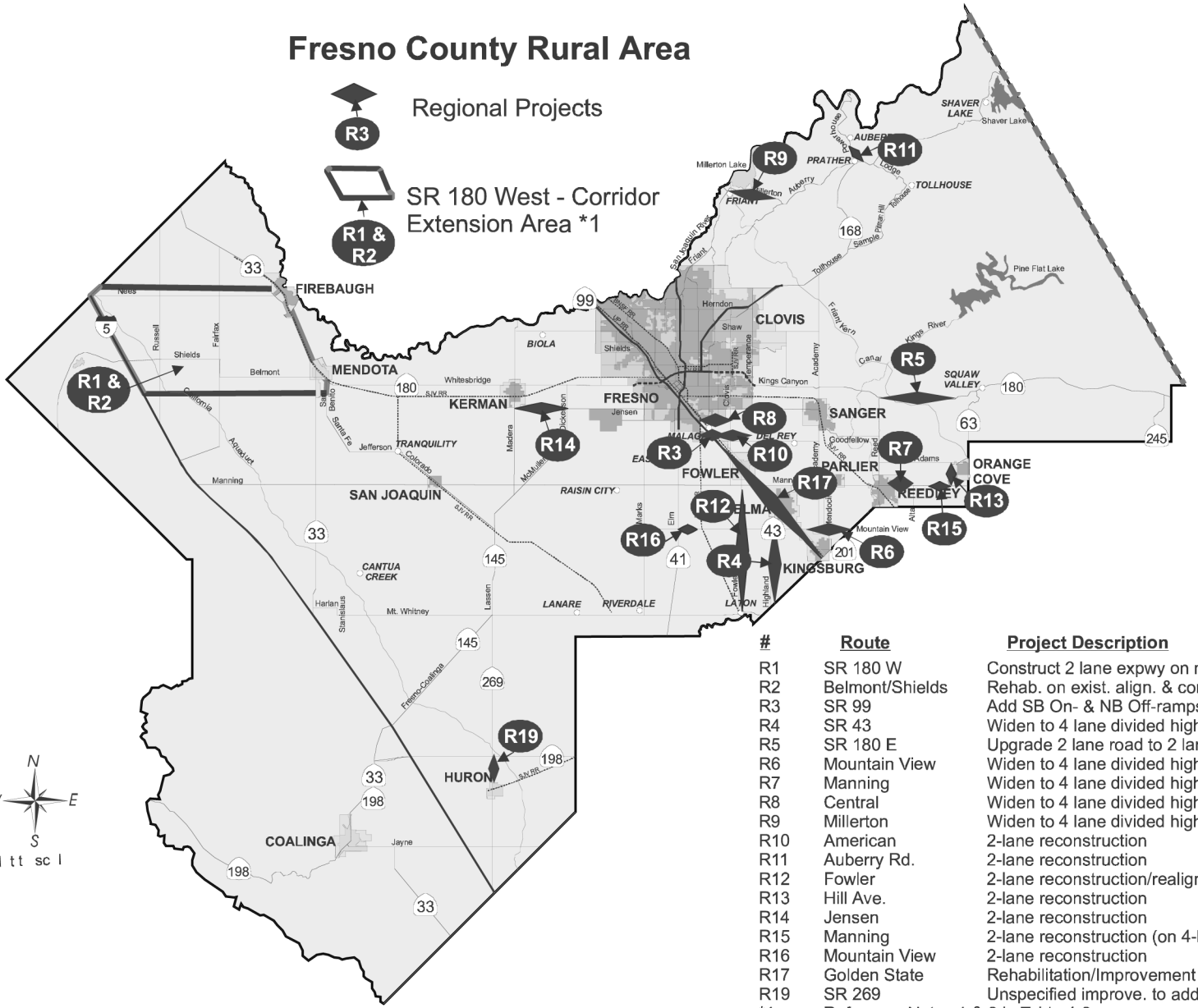
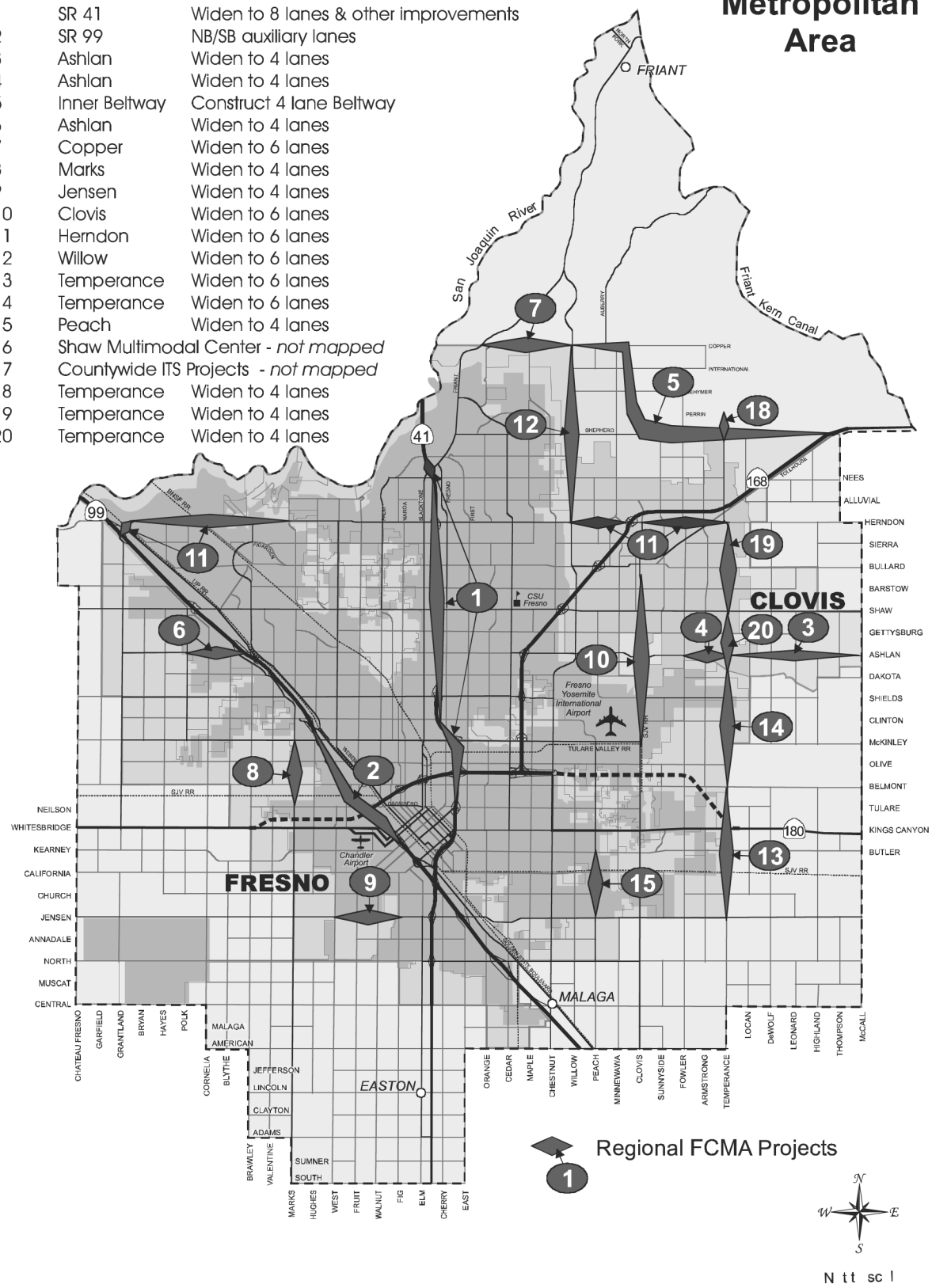
Fresno County Rural Area



#	Route	Project Description
R1	SR 180 W	Construct 2 lane expwy on new alignment
R2	Belmont/Shields	Rehab. on exist. align. & constr. on new align.
R3	SR 99	Add SB On- & NB Off-ramps to interchange
R4	SR 43	Widen to 4 lane divided highway
R5	SR 180 E	Upgrade 2 lane road to 2 lane expressway
R6	Mountain View	Widen to 4 lane divided highway
R7	Manning	Widen to 4 lane divided highway
R8	Central	Widen to 4 lane divided highway
R9	Millerton	Widen to 4 lane divided highway
R10	American	2-lane reconstruction
R11	Auberry Rd.	2-lane reconstruction
R12	Fowler	2-lane reconstruction/realignment
R13	Hill Ave.	2-lane reconstruction
R14	Jensen	2-lane reconstruction
R15	Manning	2-lane reconstruction (on 4-lane ROW)
R16	Mountain View	2-lane reconstruction
R17	Golden State	Rehabilitation/Improvement
R19	SR 269	Unspecified improve. to address flooding
*1	Reference Notes 1 & 2 in Table 4-2	

Fresno-Clovis Metropolitan Area

#	Route	Project Description
1	SR 41	Widen to 8 lanes & other improvements
2	SR 99	NB/SB auxiliary lanes
3	Ashlan	Widen to 4 lanes
4	Ashlan	Widen to 4 lanes
5	Inner Beltway	Construct 4 lane Beltway
6	Ashlan	Widen to 4 lanes
7	Copper	Widen to 6 lanes
8	Marks	Widen to 4 lanes
9	Jensen	Widen to 4 lanes
10	Clovis	Widen to 6 lanes
11	Herndon	Widen to 6 lanes
12	Willow	Widen to 6 lanes
13	Temperance	Widen to 6 lanes
14	Temperance	Widen to 6 lanes
15	Peach	Widen to 4 lanes
16	Shaw Multimodal Center - *not mapped*	
17	Countywide ITS Projects - *not mapped*	
18	Temperance	Widen to 4 lanes
19	Temperance	Widen to 4 lanes
20	Temperance	Widen to 4 lanes



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Measure C Extension Expenditure Plan

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Fresno, CA 93721
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Phone: (559) 453-5023
Facsimile: (559) 488-3303

Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG)
2100 Tulare Street, Suite 619
Fresno, CA 93721
Attention: Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director
Phone: (559) 233-4148
Facsimile (559) 233-9654

A full copy of the Expenditure Plan is available for review at Fresno COG offices, City Hall offices throughout the County, the County Clerk's office at the Hall of Records, and at your local library.

The Expenditure Plan is also available at: www.fresnocog.org.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Voter approval of this measure will (1) extend up to thirty (30) years the current one-half of one percent (0.5%) transactions and use tax, the revenue of which will be expended in accordance with the expenditure plan adopted by the Fresno County Transportation Authority to provide Countywide transportation improvements; and (2) authorize the Authority to issue bonds payable from the tax proceeds and establish an appropriations limit of the Authority in the amount of Four Hundred Eighty Two Million Dollars ($482,000,000).

s/ Phillip S. Cronin
County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE C

REPAIR ROADS AND REDUCE TRAFFIC – WITH NO INCREASE IN TAXES – BY VOTING YES ON MEASURE C.

Measure C repairs and improves streets and roads in neighborhoods throughout the county; fixes potholes; widens existing highways to relieve congestion and increase safety; and improves public transportation, air quality and access for the disabled, by extending the current _ cent sales tax.

Measure C requires Citizen Oversight with Guaranteed Annual Independent Financial and Performance Audits. Transportation plans and projects are developed with public review and input. An independent Citizens Oversight Committee will ensure money is spent as promised.

Measure C is local money, under local control, for local projects – not one penny goes to Sacramento. Measure C improves transportation in every local community, including:

- Repairs and improvements to neighborhood streets, sidewalks, bike lanes
- Safety/widening projects to Highways 180, 41, 43, 99, 168 and 269
- Connecting Highway 180 to I-5
- Guaranteed funding for urban and rural public transit, allowing more hours, more routes, more night and weekend service
- Repairs to major roads like Copper, Clovis, Herndon, Willow, Temperance, Ashlan (West of 99), Shepherd, Mountain View, Millerton, Marks, Auberry Rd., Fowler, Jensen, Golden State
- Safety at railroad crossings, consolidating rail lines to the 99 corridor

Without Measure C, state and federal funding will go to San Francisco and Los Angeles, and Fresno County residents won't get our fair share of safety and congestion relief projects.

Police, firefighters and paramedics; business, labor, conservation groups, healthcare organizations, church leaders, seniors, all 15 City Councils and the County Supervisors support Measure C.

Measure C saves lives.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE C. It results in no new taxes, and is simply a renewal of the current half-cent sales tax already passed by voters.

The future of our streets, roads, highways, traffic, public transportation and air quality depends on a two-thirds vote from the public.

s/ Gordon M. Webster, Jr
Chairman, Greater Fresno, Area Chamber of Commerce

s/ Randy L. Ghan
CEO, Secretary-Treasurer, Fresno, Madera, Tulare, Kings Counties Central Labor Council

s/ Trinidad Rodriguez
West Side Cities

s/ Richard Pierce
Sheriff, Fresno County

s/ Ruth Marie Nickerson, CSC
President and CEO

REBUTTAL TO THE ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE C

We don't need Measure C to build any of the new freeways or road repairs the proponents promise!

That's right. Official government records show during the next thirty years, Fresno County will receive OVER $5 BILLION IN EXISTING TAXES dedicated to transportation. Despite common sense and state law, politicians won't tell taxpayers how they intend to spend this $5 BILLION IN EXISTING TAXES. Yet, they want $3 BILLION IN NEW TAXES!!!

Every pothole and freeway they promise to fix with $3 Billion in higher sales taxes, could be fixed with $5 Billion in gas taxes local governments already get. They just want more taxes, to free up dollars for boondoggles like downtown lakes, and other political causes.

Pot holes and public safety are priority number one. But only 10% of Measure C's $3 Billion is planned to be spent on potholes and repairs. And politicians will play shenanigans to divert these funds. Already the Fresno City Council is shortchanging road and sidewalk repair in neighborhoods to divert money to their pet projects.

Proponents claim we need Measure C because state and federal politicians don't pay Fresno our fair share of gas taxes. Let's not pay more taxes to one set of politicians just because we can't trust another.

Proponents claim Measure C isn't a tax increase, just a tax "extension". But, it's higher taxes either way. After paying higher taxes for 20 years to expand our freeway system, Fresno County taxpayers deserve a tax cut!

NO on Measure C!

s/ Jeff Reid, Taxpayer Activist and
former State Transportation
Official and Fresno City Manager

s/ Chris Mathys, President
San Joaquin Valley Taxpayer's Association

s/ Jonathan Richter, Vice Chair,
Libertarian Party of Fresno County

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE C

This tax is a $3 Billion Mistake. Here is why:

Have promises made for the current Measure C been kept? **NO**

Have the $ Millions spent on freeways relieved congestion on Shaw? **NO**

Have the $ Millions spent on freeways relieved congestion on Herndon? **NO**

Are our county roads safer and in good shape? **NO**

Do we have a convenient, reliable public transportation system? **NO**

Is our air cleaner? **NO**.

Can we trust the same promoters who broke the first Measure C's promises of cleaner air and road repair – to wisely spend $ 3 Billion more in local taxes?

Vote NO because:

- The Measure C Transportation Authority, not directly elected, has absolute power over how our money is spent, and can alter the list of projects at will.
- This plan does not commit to reduce air pollution, repair streets and roads, fix sidewalks, provide services to seniors and the disabled, or build a modern rapid transit system.
- This is not a balanced transportation plan. Its backers seek to confuse voters with token amounts for road repair, accessibility for the disabled, bicycle paths, trails, and bus service.
- This Measure C subsidizes sprawl development despite our extreme air pollution problem in Fresno County.
- Thirty years is too long. Taxpayers are being shown only 10 years of projects and will have no say about the last 20 years of spending.
- We do not have to choose between this proposal and none at all. The present Measure C tax runs until 2007. WE HAVE AT LEAST TWO MORE YEARS until the next general election to design a tax measure benefiting all taxpayers and taking air pollution, urban sprawl, road safety, traffic congestion and road repair seriously.

THIS IS THE WRONG MEASURE C. VOTE NO.

The undersigned authors of the primary argument against ballot Measure C at the General Election for the County of Fresno to be held on November 5, 2002 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

s/ Mary Savala
League of Women Voters of Fresno

s/ Dr. Ed Ames, Ph D
Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Council

s/ Dr. David Pepper, M.D.
Medical Oversight Committee
Asthma Education and Management Program
Community Hospitals of Central California

s/ Dr. Roger Larson, Ph D
F.A.C.P., Board-Certified Specialist in Lung Disease

s/ Harold Tokmakian, Ph D
Professor Emeritus
City and Regional Planning, CSUF
Former Fresno County Planning Director 1963-1968

REBUTTAL TO THE ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE C

"If we do nothing, air quality will only get worse. It's urgent that we renew Measure C."
Dr. Philip Hinton, CEO, Community Medical Centers

"**Measure C saves lives.** It improves safety for motorists and pedestrians."
Richard Pierce, Sheriff

"Measure C exceeds strict legal requirements for fiscal accountability. A Citizens Oversight Committee examines audits and reports to the public so that funds are spent as promised to voters."
Rev. G.L. Johnson, People's Church

" If we renew Measure C, we'll get our fair share. Without it, money will just go to San Francisco and Los Angeles. Measure C is local control over our transportation system."
Leonel Alvarado, Past President, Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

What would happen if Measure C is not renewed?

* DELAYS IN IMPORTANT PROJECTS like connecting Highway 180 to I-5 and reducing traffic congestion

* INCREASED DEPENDENCE ON SCARCE STATE/FEDERAL FUNDS to fix potholes and rehabilitate roads
* LOSS OF LIFE AND WASTED HOURS at railroad crossings
* DETERIORATED ROADS, REDUCED SAFETY on the streets and roads you travel every day

By law, no more than 1% of Measure C funds can be spent on administration. The Expenditure Plan includes projects that benefit every community. Every penny stays here in Fresno County and is reported to the public.

We need Measure C to keep working for us.

Measure C is the best way to repair roads and reduce traffic congestion with no increase in taxes.

VOTE YES TO RENEW MEASURE C.

s/ Gordon M. Webster Jr.
Chairman
Greater Fresno Area
Chamber of Commerce

s/ Randy L. Ghan
CEO, Secretary-Treasurer
Fresno, Madera, Tulare, Kings Counties
Central Labor Council

s/ Trinidad Rodriguez
West Side Cities

s/ Richard Pierce
Sheriff, Fresno County

s/ Sister Ruth Marie Nickerson, CSC
President and CEO,
Saint Agnes Medical Center

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, BOND MEASURE E

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters by the State Center Community College District.

"To prepare students at Fresno City/Reedley College (Clovis, Madera, Oakhurst Centers) for transfer to four-year colleges and careers, including public safety, firefighting, healthcare technology and business, by upgrading equipment, lighting, wiring, fire safety; replacing portables; repairing plumbing, heating/ventilation; repairing/constructing/equipping classrooms, libraries, computer labs, buildings, parking, acquiring land, shall State Center Community College District issue $161,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, with a Citizens Oversight Committee, annual financial audits and no money for administrator salaries?"

The Board of Trustees of the State Center Community College District has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing the scope of school facility projects to be funded, as outlined in the District's Bond Implementation Plan, as shall be amended from time to time, on file with the Public Information Office, including the following projects:

PROJECTS

FRESNO CITY COLLEGE

Technology Upgrades $14,650,000

- Computer systems for vocational training
- Internet access in labs and classrooms
- Instructional space & equipment
- Local/wide area network

Career and Technology Center 30,000,000

- Modernize and add classrooms, labs, and Fire Academy training tower
- Relocate Police Academy from 50-year-old "portables" to a modern, efficient building
- Upgrade fire alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers
- Improve access for disabled

Historic Old Administration Building (OAB) 25,000,000

- Seismic upgrades for earthquake safety
- New classrooms and labs for general education, vocational training
- Remove asbestos
- Improve access for disabled
- Install emergency lighting, exit signage, exterior lighting, non-slip surfaces on interior and exterior stairs for health and safety
- Health and safety repairs: sewer lines, restrooms, ventilation upgrade
- Install new fire alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers and safety equipment

Student Technology Center 2,500,000

- Upgrade Internet access for general education, vocational training classes in high-tech learning center
- Improve access for disabled
- Install fire alarms, smoke detectors, sprinklers, and safety equipment to meet current safety codes

Parking 2,630,000

- Add spaces to minimize on-street parking and relieve traffic congestion in adjoining neighborhoods

Instructional Buildings Repairs 7,250,000

- Make health and safety repairs of student service buildings, including improved access for disabled students
- Renovate, modernize and equip physical education facilities
- Replace outdated heating, ventilation and cooling systems
- Improve electrical wiring for Internet access, install fire safety equipment, and provide access for disabled persons at the former Police Academy bungalows

Fresno City College: $82,030,000

REEDLEY COLLEGE

New Classrooms $3,750,000

- Increase instructional space and updated equipment
- Increase Internet access
- Install upgraded electrical wiring for fire safety

Renovate, Replace and Repair Existing Classrooms 11,080,000

- Repair and modernize 40-year-old classrooms
- Health and safety repairs for heating / air conditioning / ventilation, plumbing, electrical systems and air quality
- Replace deteriorated physical education classrooms and facilities
- Upgrade electrical systems for Internet access

Student Center Renovations and Repairs 1,790,000

- Health and safety repairs, including additional electrical service to avoid risks of overloaded circuits;
- Improve heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems for energy efficiency, air quality
- Improve access for disabled students

Replacement Facilities 8,370,000

- Replace bookstore to meet safety standards and improve access for disabled
- Replace outdated housing to relieve pressure on neighboring community

Repair of Existing Residence Hall 2,990,000

- Improve sewer, plumbing, heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems
- Upgrade electrical for Internet access & technology
- Improve access for disabled
- Upgrade fire safety, smoke detector and alarm systems

Reedley College: $27,980,000

EDUCATIONAL CENTERS

Madera Vocational Training Labs $3,590,000

- Increased instructional space to accommodate demand for vocational training

Renovate Madera Student Center 600,000

- Expand bookstore, food services, and dining areas

Madera Health & Fitness Center 300,000

• Upgrade physical education classrooms

Oakhurst Classrooms 290,000

• Add new classrooms for general education and occupational training

Willow / International Site (serving NE Fresno, Clovis, Fresno County)

• Phase I: Build new classrooms, computer and digital art laboratories, 23,680.000
lecture hall, library, distance learning, and instructional and student support space

• Phase II. Build new chemistry, biology, and science classrooms, laboratories, 12,480,000
lecture hall and instructional support space

Site Acquisition – Fourth Center 10,000,000

• Acquire land for establishment of a new educational center

Education Centers: $50,940,000

Listed repairs, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed at a particular site. Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, construction management, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. The District requires State matching funds to complete certain of the projects. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed.

"FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. To ensure that funds are spent as promised to voters, a Citizens Oversight Committee will monitor expenditures and make regular reports to the public. The Committee will include, among others, bona fide representatives of taxpayer, business and senior citizens organizations. Performance and financial audits will be performed annually, and all Bond expenditures will be reviewed by the Committee to ensure that funds are spent as promised to voters."

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities, and not for any other purpose, including faculty and administrator salaries and other operating expenses. By law, all funds can only be spent on repair and improvement projects.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Voter approval of this measure will authorize the governing board of the State Center Community College District to issue and sell bonds in the maximum amount of $161 million dollars ($161,000,000), bearing interest at legal rates. The bond proceeds will be used to upgrade equipment, lighting, wiring, and fire safety; to replace portables; to repair plumbing and heating/ventilation systems; to repair, construct, and equip classrooms, libraries, computer labs, and buildings; to provide parking; and to acquire land.

s/ Phillip S. Cronin
County Counsel

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the State Center Community College District (the "District") on November 5, 2002, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring a bonded indebtedness of the District in an aggregate principal amount of $161 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given to comply with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, and assuming the entire debt service will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the 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 of this statement, is 1.313¢ per $100 of assessed valuation for the year 2003-2004.
2. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1.497¢ per $100 of assessed valuation for the year 2011-2012.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing of this statement, is 1 .497¢ per $100 of assessed valuation for the year 2011-2012.

The average annual tax levy is projected to be $13.86 per $100,000 of real property valuation.

Attention to all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual times of sales of said bonds and the amount sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which in any event will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sales. The actual assessed values in the future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Accordingly, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated as above stated.

s/Judith A. Redwine
Chancellor
State Center Community College District

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

VOTE YES ON THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOND TO REPAIR AND IMPROVE FRESNO CITY COLLEGE, REEDLEY COLLEGE, AND EDUCATION CENTERS IN CLOVIS, MADERA & OAKHURST.

State Center Colleges prepare students for jobs here in our Valley. Firefighters, police officers, nurses and thousands of students start their education and successful careers without leaving home. State Center trains more nurses than any college in the West. State Center Colleges provide an excellent education which prepares students for successful transfer to four-year universities.

Our aging classrooms and labs don't meet today's needs. We are the largest college system in the Valley. Old classrooms, decayed plumbing, electrical lines, aging equipment, heating, ventilation systems need repair and improvement. Passing a bond will allow us to compete for state funding.

State Center has the oldest building on a California community college campus. Award-winning faculty and staff are working hard to provide students with a quality education, however, like an old house, our classrooms need repair and upgrading.

Our bond will:

• Expand job training
• Install / repair fire safety equipment
• Provide high-tech learning centers

- Improve security, electrical wiring, and parking
- Provide additional classrooms

Community colleges serve students close to home, with affordable classes at convenient times. That's why State Center is committed to locations throughout the region – Fresno, Reedley, Clovis, Madera, Oakhurst.

As universities become more expensive, our programs provide the education students wouldn't get otherwise. Classes are offered mornings, nights and weekends. Enrollment is up 31% since 1997.

The Bond is subject to strict financial accountability requirements. A citizens oversight committee will review audits and report to the public to ensure funds are spent as promised to voters. By law, no money can be spent on administrators' salaries.

VOTE YES FOR EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY HERE IN OUR VALLEY.

s/ John Wallace
Chairman, YES on Measure E Committee

s/ Hal McKinney
Former Fresno County Sheriff

s/ Don Larson
Retired Faculty Member, Fresno City College

s/ Pilar De La Cruz
Registered Nurse

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

Proponents claim passing this $166 Million Bond is needed to compete for state funding. That's just a rule written by the bureaucrats for the bureaucrats. It's a rule used to justify even higher taxes and more bond debt, beyond the $2 Billion in new bonds the Community Colleges are already seeking!

That's right. Voters are being asked to approve $2 Billion in Community College Bonds at statewide elections this year and in 2004. Those monies are available to the Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to repair and improve community colleges statewide. Those bonds have been placed on the ballot by the state legislature, based on how much bonded indebtedness they think voters are willing to swallow.

Rather than be satisfied with $2 Billion of new taxpayer monies and work to prioritize their needs to live within those means, the Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has decided it wants even more money. So, instead of wisely spending the money they have, the Community Colleges write bureaucratic rules to hold hostage the taxpayer monies they already have, to coerce local taxpayers to approve even more bonds and taxes.

Proponents say this makes us competitive for state funding. In reality, it's a two for one deal of the worst kind - two new bond debts for one project funding. It's a cynical ploy to get more taxes and lower priority projects funded.

Let's put a stop to these cynical ploys. Say no to new taxes. Say no to new government bond debt liens on our property.

s/ Jeff Reid
Taxpayer Activist

s/ Jonathan Richter, Vice Chair,
Libertarian Party of Fresno County

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

This $161 million bond proposal is unjustifiable. But, don't take our word for it. Take the word of California's premier independent budget analysts!!!

THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE ANALYST (LAO), SAYS COMMUNITY COLLEGES CAN'T JUSTIFY HOW EXISTING CLASSROOMS ARE USED. Until they do, informed decisions about new classroom building can't be made. Here's a quote from the LAO's 2002 report on higher education capital outlay:

"It is not possible to know how efficiently the community colleges.. utilize their classrooms ... because they do not track this information. This type of data is needed for the Legislature to make informed decisions about funding capital improvements..."

There's more. **THAT SAME INDEPENDENT ANALYST REPORT SAYS NEW BUILDINGS SHOULDN'T BE BUILT UNTIL COMMUNITY COLLEGES FULLY USE WHAT THEY ALREADY HAVE** ... including full use of facilities during summer sessions. The LAO wrote:

"If full use of instructional facilities in the summer is not a basis for developing capital outlay plans, the plans may indicate a need to construct new instructional facilities to accommodate enrollment growth, when there is actually capacity to increase enrollment in the summer and avoid the need to build new instructional facilities." (emphasis added)

District operation and finance managers have revealed that this $161 bond expenditure plan isn't based on full use of classrooms in the summer!!! **So, based on the LAO Report, these bonds are funding unneeded facilities!!!**

Besides, we don't need higher property taxes to fund critical community college needs. That's right. Proposition 47, on this same ballot, authorizes nearly $1 Billion in new bond debt for community college construction projects. But, unlike this measure, Proposition 47 doesn't require higher property taxes!!!

And, the Legislature has already placed another $1 Billion in community college bonds on the 2004 ballot!!! Isn't $2 Billion in new community college bonds enough?

s/ Jeff Reid
Taxpayer Activist

s/ Jonathan Richter
Libertarian Party of Fresno County

s/ Mark Dallos
Candidate for State Center Community College
District Board of Trustees

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

State Center Community College District has a tradition of educational excellence and fiscal responsibility. Our colleges provide first-rate learning environments while being watchful of taxpayers' dollars. Measure E will benefit local colleges.

UNLIKE THE LAO REPORT REFERENCED BY OPPONENTS, STATE CENTER DOES TRACK CLASSROOM UTILIZATION. Existing classrooms are used virtually around the clock, year round, seven days a week and even then our campuses are overcrowded and in need of additional classrooms.

Fresno City College, Reedley College and education centers in Clovis, Madera and Oakhurst prepare students for the workplace right here in our Valley. We train firefighters, peace officers and nurses to protect and serve our community. In fact, Fresno City College is the largest and oldest institute of higher learning in the Valley.

Old classrooms, decayed plumbing, outdated electrical systems and equipment are challenging our ability to provide our students with the education they deserve. Additionally, enrollment has increased by 31% since 1997, resulting in overcrowded classrooms.

Measure E will provide the following to Fresno City College, Reedley College and our education centers with:

- Expanded job training
- Updated electrical systems
- Fire safety improvements
- Technology labs, learning centers
- Additional classrooms to relieve overcrowding
- Modern ventilation, heating and cooling systems

Measure E meets strict financial accountability requirements. A citizens' oversight committee will

oversee annual audits and ensure bond funds are being spent properly. And by law, not one penny of Measure E funds can be spent on staff salaries or administration.

Please join us in supporting Measure E.

s/ John Wallace
Chairman, YES on Measure E Committee
College

s/ Don Larson
Retired Faculty Member, Fresno City