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# **SOLANO COUNTY**Voter Information Guide



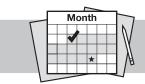
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# Presidential General Election Tuesday, November 3, 2020 Polls open: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This is your official voter information guide. It has information on local candidates & measures, voting by mail, and answers to common voter questions.



Text **Solano** to 2VOTE (28683) to download your sample ballot or voter information guide. (Msg & Data rates may apply)



# Important Information & Dates

- **★ Early voting** starts **Monday, October 5, 2020**. Visit us at 675 Texas Street, Suite 2600, Fairfield to pick up a ballot. Our office is open Monday Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ★Last day to request a vote-by-mail ballot to be mailed to you is Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
- ★ Any changes to your registration must be received by **Monday, October 19, 2020**. Visit **registertovote.ca.gov** or call (707) 784-6675 to have a form mailed to you.

### October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Vote-by-Mail period begins.	6 Vote-by-Mail Drop boxes available at City Clerk offices.	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Last day to register or update registration for the election.	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Last day to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot	28	29 Curbside	Ballot Drop-off Locations allejo • Cordelia • Fairfi Vacaville • Dixon	31 Registrar's office open 8 a.m 5 p.m.  Available: eld

### November 2020

Sunday	Monday	_ Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	ELECTION DAY	4	5	6	7
	Curbside Ballot Drop-off Locations Available: Vallejo • Cordelia • Fairfield Vacaville • Dixon					



# Who is on the ballot for this election?

In the November General Election, all voters receive the same ballot, no matter what political party you are registered with (or if you have no party preference). The address where you are registered to vote determines which contests are on your ballot.

In the March Primary Election, all Californians were able to vote to decide which candidates for state and local offices moved on to the November General Election.

Presidential Nominated by party	California Top-Two Primary Nominated by voters	County and Local Primary Nonpartisan candidates
President and Vice President	<ul> <li>U.S. Representative (Districts 3 &amp; 5)</li> <li>State Senator (District 3)</li> <li>State Assembly Member (Districts 4, 11 &amp; 14)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>County Board of Supervisors (Districts 1, 2, &amp; 5)*</li> <li>School Boards*</li> <li>Special District Boards*</li> <li>Municipal Offices*</li> </ul>
The candidates nominated by each political party are on the ballot.	The top-two candidates, the ones with the most votes from the March Primary, are on your ballot.	If a candidate for these local offices received at least 50% plus 1 vote in the Primary, they were elected and are not on the General Election ballot.
		If no candidate won, the two candidates with the most votes are on the ballot.
You can write-in a candidate for President and Vice President.	There is no write-in for these offices.	You can write-in a candidate for these offices.
The party nominating the candidate is listed with the candidate's name.	The candidate's party preference (or "None") is listed with their name.	Candidates for nonpartisan offices do not have a party preference listed on the ballot.
A candidate may be nominated by more than one party.	Both candidates on the ballot may have the same party preference.	

<sup>\*</sup> Not all districts have an election. Please review your sample ballot for the contests available to you.

For more information you can:

- Call the Elections Department at (707) 784-6675
- ☐ Visit our website at www.solanocounty.com/elections
- The California Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/general-election-november-3-2020/

# **Voter Information**



The following pages contain information relating to your ballot, which may include:

- Candidates' Statements
- Analyses

- Arguments
- Ballot Measures

This information guide may not contain a statement for each candidate. Each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. (EC 13312)

- \* All measure documents and Candidates' Statements are printed exactly as filed.
- \* Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors. (EC 9315)
- \* Refer to the State Voter Information Guide for information on state candidates and measures.

### **Party Endorsements**

	American Independent	Democratic	Republican
President			
Congressional District 3	Tamika Hamilton	John Garamendi	Tamika Hamilton
Congressional District 5		Mike Thompson	Scott Giblin
State Senate District 3		Bill Dodd	Carlos Santamaria
State Assembly District 4		Cecilia Aguiar-Curry	Matt Nelson
State Assembly District 11		Jim Frazier	Debra Schwab
State Assembly District 14		Timothy S. Grayson	Janell Proctor

### **Campaign Expenditure Limits**

The following California Legislative candidates have accepted voluntary campaign expenditure limits, and were eligible to purchase a Candidate Statement of Qualifications in this Voter Information Guide (listed in alphabetical order):

State Senate, District 3 – Bill Dodd, Carlos Santamaria

State Assembly, District 4 – Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Matt Nelson

State Assembly, District 11 – Jim Frazier, Debra Schwab

State Assembly, District 14 – Timothy S. Grayson, Janell Proctor

# **VOTING OPTIONS FOR ALL VOTERS**

In an effort to reduce the impact of the Coronavirus spread, the Solano County Registrar of Voters has prepared several voting options for all voters. You have received a vote-by-mail ballot for the election in this packet.

Below is a description of the different options you have for voting new to help provide a safe voting environment for all voters, our staff, and our community partners:

### **No Contact Voting:**

As an option to in-person voting, all voters can vote from the safety of your home, using the enclosed ballot. Ballots can be returned to our office in one of three manners:



### Ballot Drop-Off:

Starting October 5 (29 days) - 15 Drop-Off locations are available (drop box is inside an office building).



### Curbside Drop-Off:

Starting October 29 (5 days) - 10 Curbside drop-off locations are available (stay in your car, hand ballot to pollworkers)



### Election Day Drop-Off:

Election Day November 3 (1 day) - 100 poll place drop-off locations are available on Election day- all locations are open 7am to 8pm.

All ballots must be received or post-marked by November 3. All postage is paid by the Registrar of Voters Office for voters mailing ballots back to our office. Voters do not have to vote this ballot, and can still choose to vote in-person using one of the options listed below.

### **Limited Contact Voting:**



At your assigned <u>poll place</u>, all voters can request to vote "Curb-Side" from the comfort of your vehicle. Look for the blue cone outside of your polling place, and call the number listed on the cone. Pollworkers will come out to your car with your ballot and will securely deposit it for you.

This same curb-side option is available if you want to drop off your vote by mail ballot. It may be preferable for you to remain in your vehicle and we support that option.

### **In-Person Voting:**



Traditional poll place are still available. Your assigned location is included on the cover sheet with your official ballot. Some voters may experience additional wait times due to the need to provide social distancing within the voting location. Please be prepared it may take longer than usual to vote at your polling place.

COVID-19 INFO:

### Pollworkers and Staff:

All poll workers will be required to wear masks and shields, additionally the Registrar of Voters will provide gloves, hand sanitizer, and disinfecting wipes.

### Voters:

Voters will be required to wear face coverings as required by state law. Face coverings will be provided to any voter needing one. Hand Sanitizer and disposable pens will be provided to all voters. Voters without face coverings will be encouraged to vote from the safety of their vehicles, or when the pollworkers can clear the area for the safety of other voters.

We encourage all citizens to follow the mandated health requirements to help protect our staff and community partners. Without our staff and volunteers we cannot successfully execute an election! Please help us minimize the risk to those helping to administer your voting rights!

The following pages outline the specific addresses and hours available for each of the options on this page. Look for the icons next to the type of voting described based on your preferred option.

# **BALLOT RETURN & VOTING ADDRESSES**





October 5 to November 3, voters can drop off ballots at the following locations. (Drop Boxes are inside office buildings.)

City	Name	Address	Hours Available
Benicia	Benicia City Clerk	250 East L St.	M-F 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (Closed Every-Other Friday)
Dixon	Dixon City Clerk	600 East A St.	M-F 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Fairfield	Fairfield City Clerk	1000 Webster St. 4th Floor	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:30p.m. (closed 1st and 3rd Fridays of month)
Fairfield	Fairfield/Suisun Unified School District Office	2490 Hilborn Rd.	M-F 7:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.
Fairfield	Solano County Registrar of Voters	675 Texas St.—Suite 2600	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Fairfield	Solano County Office of Education	5100 Business Center Dr.	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Rio Vista	River Delta School District Office	445 Montezuma St.	M-F. 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Suisun City	Suisun City Clerk	701 Civic Center Blvd.	M-TH. 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Travis AFB	Travis Voting Office (base access required)	351 Travis Ave.	M-F 7:30a.m. to 4:30p.m. (closes 3:00pm on Thursdays)
Vacaville	Nut Tree Airport	301 County Airport Dr.	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. (closed 12pm to 1pm daily)
Vacaville	Vacaville City Clerk	650 Merchant St.	M-TH 8:30a.m. to 5:00p.m. (closed Fridays)
Vacaville	Solano Irrigation District Administrative Office	810 Vaca Valley Parkway	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Vallejo	Vallejo City Clerk	555 Santa Clara St. 2nd floor.	M-TH 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.
Vallejo	Solano County Fairgrounds	900 Fairgrounds Dr	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Vallejo	Masonic Temple	101 Temple Way	M-F 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

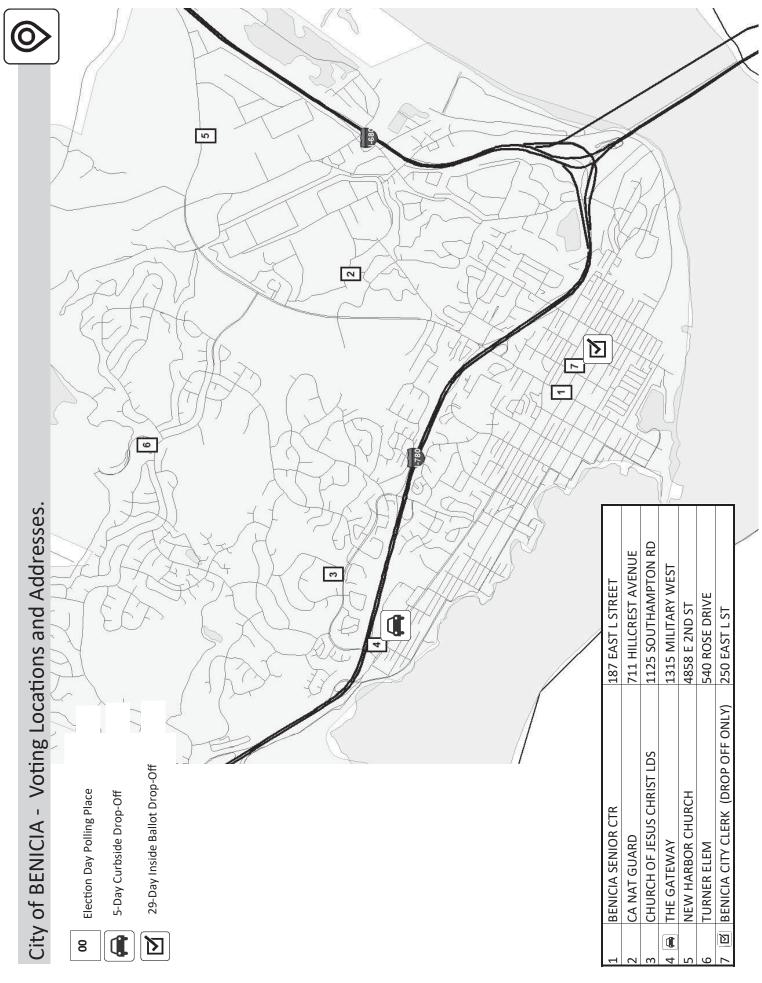


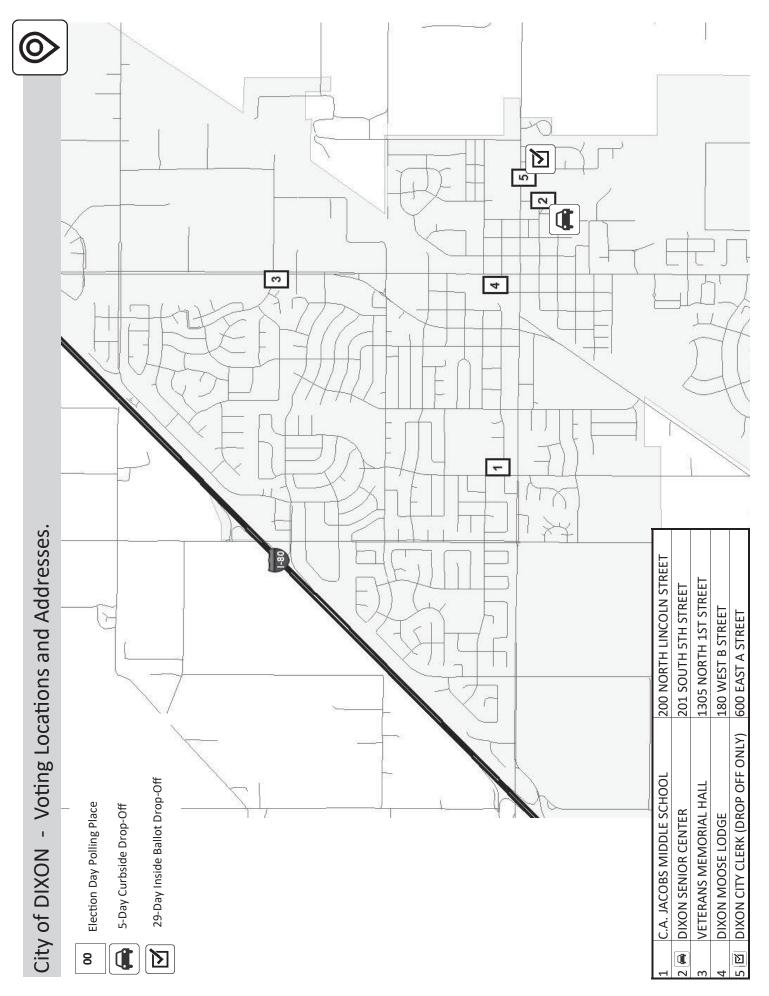
October 29, 30, 31, Nov. 2 and Nov 3, voters can drop off ballots "Curbside" at the following locations. (Stay in your car, hand ballot to pollworkers)

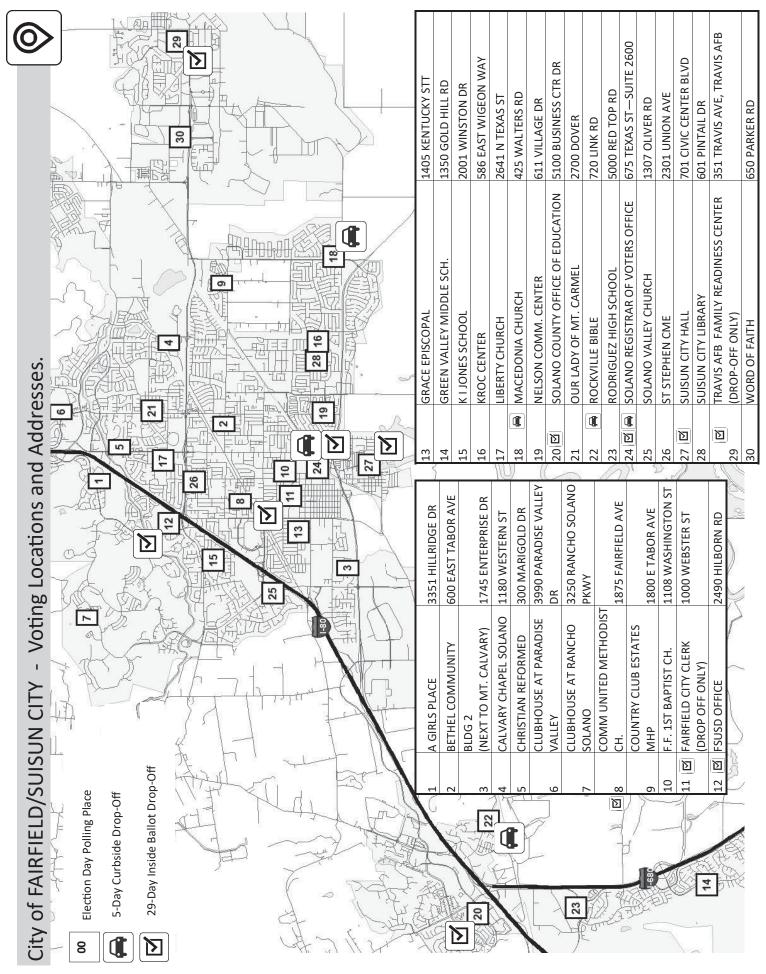
City	Name	Address	Hours Available
Benicia	The Gateway Church	1315 Military West	All Locations are open 8:00a.m. to
Dixon	Dixon Senior Center	201 South 5th St.	5:00p.m., including Saturday, plus 7:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. on Election Day.
Fairfield	Rockville Bible Church	720 Link Rd.	,
Fairfield	Solano County Registrar of Voters	675 Texas St.—suite 2600	
Suisun City	Macedonia Church	425 Walters Rd.	
Rio Vista	Haps Bait and Tackle	84 Main St.	
Vacaville	Vacaville City Clerk	650 Merchant St.	
Vacaville	Mission Church	6391 Leisure Town Rd.	
Vallejo	Cal Maritime Academy (Aquatic Center.)	117 Maritime Academy Dr.	
Vallejo	Solano County Fairgrounds	900 Fairgrounds Dr	

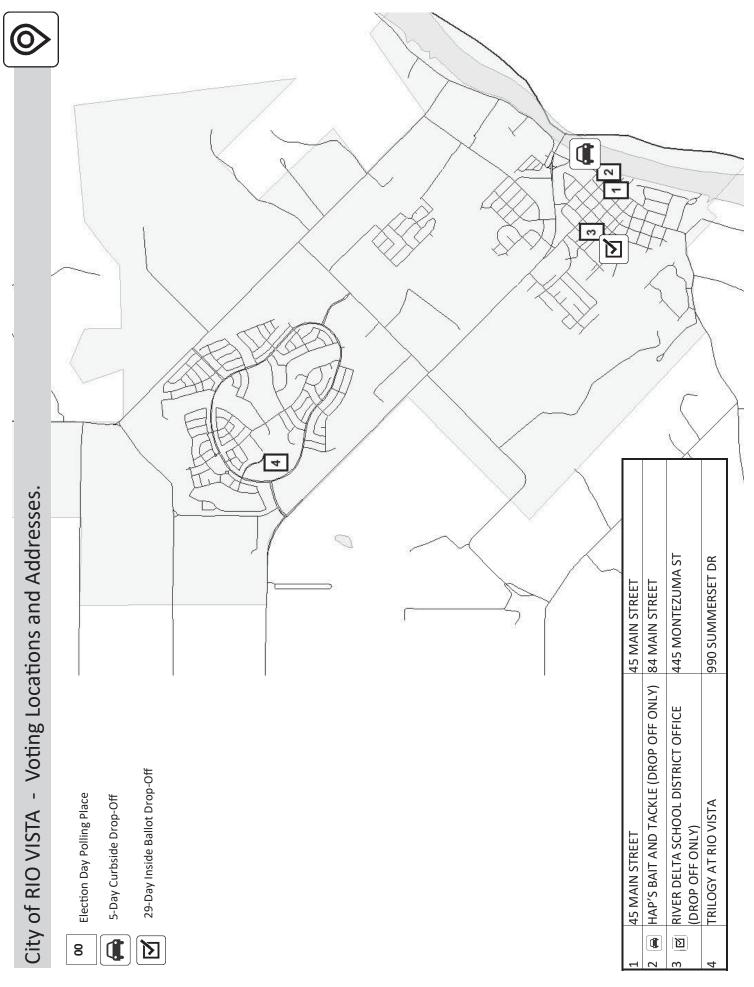


On November 3, ballots can be dropped off at any location listed above, plus 100 poll-place locations listed on the following pages.

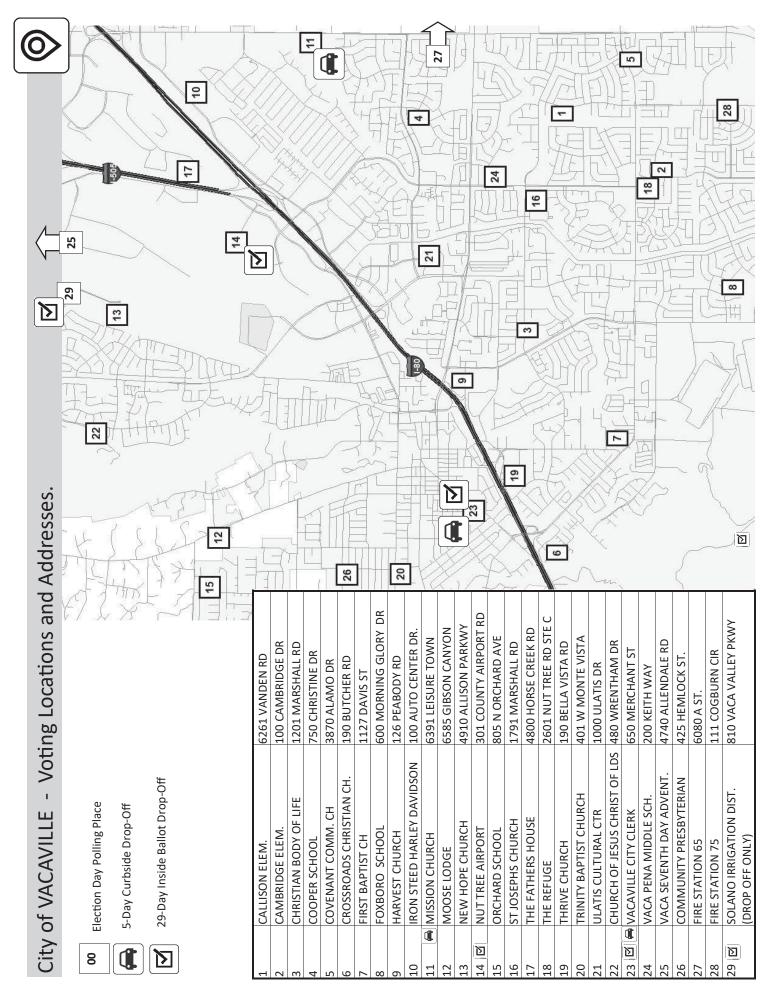


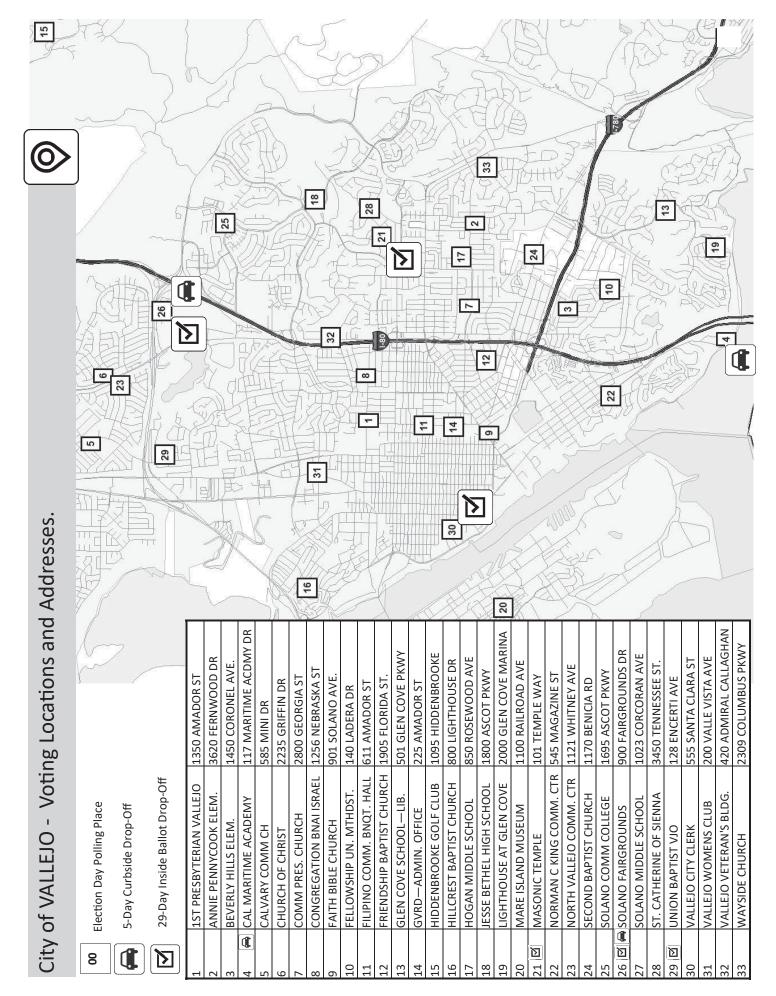






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# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 3

### JOHN GARAMENDI

Occupation: Congressman & Rancher

**Education and Qualifications:** It's been a very difficult and tragic year, a year of anxiety and fear, a year of shutdowns and layoffs. The Covid-19 pandemic has shattered American life and for many their personal dreams of a good tomorrow. The very nature of our society and system of government, education and employment have been called into question.

Since 1776 Americans have endured hardships and pulled together to renew, restart, and continue the promise of our democracy. Now is the test of our character, our courage, and our capacity to respond to the challenge. I find optimism in our nation's history of perseverance to find the light in the face of seemingly insurmountable despair.

My greatest concern is the safety, health, and economic security of the people in my district. That is why I am proud to have voted for both the Cares Act and the Heroes Act, legislation that sent relief to millions of Americans. By following public health guidelines and working together we can get the infection rate down and have a reasonable chance of staying healthy, reopening businesses, and going back to work.

It's an honor being your voice in Congress as we work together to put our economy back on track. Together we must fight for quality education and health care for everyone. We must protect our environment, tackle climate change, create good middle class jobs and assure opportunities for everyone.

I thank you and express my sincere gratitude for your past support. I humbly ask for your vote.

# DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA REPRESENTANTE DEL CONGRESO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS, DISTRITO 3

### **JOHN GARAMENDI**

Ocupación: Congresista y Hacendado

**Educación y perfil profesional:** Ha sido un año muy difícil y trágico; un año de ansiedad, miedo, cierres y despidos. La pandemia de la Covid-19 ha destruido la vida de Estados Unidos y en el caso de muchos, sus sueños personales de un mejor futuro. Se ha puesto en duda la naturaleza misma de nuestra sociedad y sistemas de gobierno, educación y empleo.

Desde 1776, los estadounidenses han superado dificultades y han unido esfuerzos para renovar, reiniciar y continuar con la promesa de nuestra democracia. Estamos viviendo una prueba para nuestro carácter, nuestra valentía y nuestra capacidad para responder ante los desafíos. Encuentro el optimismo en la historia de perseverancia de nuestra nación para encontrar la luz ante la aparentemente insuperable desesperanza.

Mi mayor preocupación es la seguridad, salud y seguridad económica de las personas de mi distrito. Es por eso que me enorgullezco de haber votado tanto por la Ley Cares y la Ley Heroes que brindan asistencia a millones de estadounidenses. Cumpliendo con las normas de salud pública y trabajando en conjunto podemos disminuir la tasa de infección y tener la posibilidad razonable de mantenernos saludables, abrir nuevamente los comercios y volver a trabajar.

Es un honor ser su voz en el Congreso mientras trabajamos juntos para retomar el buen camino de nuestra economía. Juntos podemos luchar por una educación de calidad y cuidados de la salud para todos. Debemos proteger nuestro ambiente, enfrentar el cambio climático, crear buenos empleos para la clase media y garantizar oportunidades para todos.

Le agradezco sinceramente su apoyo en el pasado. Respetuosamente le pido su voto.

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 3

### TAMIKA HAMILTON AGE: 35

**Occupation:** Air Force Sergeant

**Education and Qualifications:** I'm a veteran of the United States Air Force and proud mother. I take pride in serving my country and community. I'm passionate about restoring the hope of the American dream to our neighborhoods and securing the future for the next generation.

We need new representatives in Congress if we're going to secure that future – representatives who understand government exists to serve the whole community, not just the politically connected. As your representative in Congress, I promise to rise above the partisan rhetoric and empty battles that only end up hurting underserved communities and the very people government is supposed to protect.

Our farmers, small business owners, veterans and residents deserve the simple assurance of knowing they're fairly represented and that their needs come first. As your Congresswoman, I'll fight to ensure our farmers have access to water resources and to make sure government respects hardworking taxpayers by protecting free enterprise and keeping tax rates low, stable, and fair.

As a working woman and mother of four, I know all too well the struggles women face professionally – it's time to implement paid family leave at the federal level. I will work to get that done. To make sure underserved communities have access to opportunities, I'll work with the federal government to expand opportunity zones to working-class areas of our district.

You can count on me to complete the mission. I humbly ask for your trust and your vote. For more info visit VoteTamika.com.

# DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA REPRESENTANTE DE ESTADOS UNIDOS EN EL CONGRESO, DISTRITO 3

### TAMIKA HAMILTON EDAD: 35

Ocupación: Sargento de la Fuerza Aérea

Educación y perfil profesional: Soy una veterana de la Fuerza Aérea de los Estados Unidos y una madre orgullosa. Me enorgullece servir a mi país y a mi comunidad. Me apasiona restaurar la esperanza del Sueño Americano en nuestros vecindarios y asegurar el futuro para la próxima generación.

Necesitamos nuevos representantes en el Congreso si queremos asegurar ese futuro, representantes que entiendan que el gobierno existe para servir a toda la comunidad, no solo a quienes están conectados políticamente. Como su representante en el Congreso, prometo superar la retórica partidista y las batallas vacías que solo terminan perjudicando a las comunidades desatendidas y a las mismas personas que se supone que el gobierno debe proteger.

Nuestros agricultores, pequeños propietarios de negocios, veteranos y residentes merecen la seguridad de saber que están representados de manera justa y que sus necesidades son lo primero. Como su congresista, lucharé para asegurar que nuestros agricultores tengan acceso a los recursos hídricos y para asegurarme de que el gobierno respete a los contribuyentes trabajadores protegiendo la libre empresa y manteniendo las tasas impositivas bajas, estables y justas.

Como mujer trabajadora y madre de cuatro hijos, conozco muy bien las luchas que enfrentan las mujeres profesionalmente; es hora de implementar la licencia familiar remunerada a nivel federal. Trabajaré para lograrlo. Para asegurarme de que las comunidades desatendidas tengan acceso a oportunidades, trabajaré con el gobierno federal para expandir las zonas de oportunidad a las áreas de clase trabajadora de nuestro distrito.

Pueden contar conmigo para cumplir la misión. Les pido humildemente su confianza y su voto. Para obtener más información, visite VoteTamika.com.

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 3

### **CARLOS SANTAMARIA**

Occupation: Business Owner/Consultant

**Education and Qualifications:** As a Californian native working and having my own successful business, I pledge to RESPONSIBLY represent the people and businesses of District 3 as your next State Senator.

My mission is to help reshape the state legislature to serve the people, pass responsible, fair laws, and protect our civil liberties.

Having worked in the private sector for both small and large companies for most of my career in many leadership roles, I know first-hand what it takes to solve problems, work with individuals from all walks of life, and lead people successfully.

I understand the challenges that Americans experience everyday as I have worked in the private sector and as a business owner for over 30 years. My area of expertise is in high- performance buildings and workforce development in career technical education, developing training programs that provide career and job opportunities. These muchneeded jobs will improve our economy in District 3 and in California.

Our legislators are not focusing on jobs, I am committed to expanding workforce development training with addressing the homelessness with creating new and emerging private partnership job opportunities.

I am Pro 2nd Amendment, Pro-Life, Pro-Freedom of Religion, Support Law Enforcement, Pro-Business, Love our Great Country and State, and: "I Believe in California"

As your next State Senator, I promise to improve the economy and protect and fight for our God given rights.

On November 3rd, I would deeply appreciate your vote. Thank you. Visit my website at www.electsantamaria.com/

### STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 11

### JIM FRAZIER

Occupation: Representing Solano County in the California State Assembly

**Education and Qualifications:** I am honored to represent Solano County in the California State Assembly. These are challenging times. Through weekly email/online updates, I have provided important information/resources for all of us effected by COVID-19 (sign up for updates at a11.asmdc.org). My office continues to be available for "hands-on" help with unemployment paperwork (call 707-399-3011). We have fought to preserve money in the budget for childcare, adult daycare and the intellectual and developmentally disabled.

Public safety remains my top priority. I support Black Lives Matter, banning chokeholds, peaceful protest and have the utmost respect for law enforcement, firefighters, 911 first responders and our Sheriff, who support my re-election.

As Transportation Committee Chair, I fought for funds to improve our aging roads, highways and bridges – requiring accountability for every dollar spent.

We established Solano County's first Commission for Women and Girls; authored legislation to add domestic violence education to school curriculums and supported Solano County's Family Justice Center which assists victims of domestic violence; voted to require prompt testing of rape kits to speed up criminal identification; authored legislation requiring PG&E to underground lines in fire prone areas; required drug makers to give 90-day notice before raising prices; authored laws to recognize Veterans on drivers' licenses, protect overseas military rights, fund Veteran street banners, provide resources for Travis Air Force Base.

I am here to serve you – and will continue to scrutinize every issue, every dollar spent, so that each decision I make remains in your best interest.

Assemblymember Jim Frazier – (925) 250-6831 Cell – JimFrazier@JimFrazierforAssembly.com

### DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL DISTRITO 11

### JIM FRAZIER

**Ocupación:** Representante del Condado de Solano en la Asamblea del Estado de California

Educación y perfil profesional: Es un honor para mí representar al Condado de Solano en la Asamblea del Estado de California. Estos son momentos difíciles. A través de actualizaciones semanales por correo electrónico o en línea, he proporcionado información y recursos importantes para todos nosotros que hemos sido afectados por la COVID-19 (regístrese para recibir las actualizaciones en a11.asmdc.org). Mi oficina sigue disponible para aportar ayuda "activa" con los trámites de desempleo (llame al 707-399-3011). Hemos luchado por preservar dinero en el presupuesto para el cuidado de niños, adultos y discapacitados intelectuales y del desarrollo.

La seguridad pública sigue siendo mi máxima prioridad. Apoyo a Black Lives Matter, la prohibición de estrangulamientos, las protestas pacíficas y tengo el mayor respeto por la preservación del orden público, los bomberos, los socorristas del 911 y nuestro Alguacil, quien apoya mi reelección.

Como Presidente del Comité de Transportación, luché por recaudar fondos para mejorar nuestras carreteras, autopistas y puentes antiguos, lo que requiere responsabilidad por cada dólar gastado.

Establecimos la primera Comisión para Mujeres y Niñas del Condado de Solano; redactamos la legislación para agregar la educación sobre violencia doméstica a los planes de estudio escolares y apoyamos el Centro de Justicia Familiar del Condado de Solano, el cual ayuda a las víctimas de violencia doméstica; votamos a favor de exigir pruebas rápidas con los kits de exámenes de violación para acelerar la identificación criminal; redactamos la legislación que le solicitó a la Compañía de Gas y Electricidad del Pacifico (Pacific Gas and Electric, PG&E) las líneas subterráneas en áreas propensas a incendios; exigimos a los fabricantes de medicamentos que avisaran con 90 días de antelación antes de subir los precios; redactamos leyes para reconocer a los Veteranos en las licencias de conducir, proteger los derechos militares en el extranjero, financiar las señalizaciones para Veteranos en las calles y proporcionar recursos para la Base de la Fuerza Aérea Travis.

Estoy aquí para servirles y continuaré examinando cada asunto, cada dólar gastado, de manera que cada decisión que tome sea de su mejor interés.

Miembro de la Asamblea Jim Frazier — Celular: (925) 250-6831 — JimFrazier@JimFrazierforAssembly.com

### **MEASURE J**

# RIVER DELTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SFID NO. 1 REPAIR MEASURE

To upgrade schools, retain/attract quality teachers by repairing leaky roofs; removing asbestos/mold; building science labs; updating aging technology, fire/drinking water safety; repairing, constructing, equipping/acquiring educational facilities to prepare students for college/careers, shall River Delta Unified School District issue \$45,700,000 in bonds at legal rates levying an estimated 6¢/\$100 of assessed value, averaging \$2,600,000 raised annually while bonds are outstanding, requiring audits, citizens' oversight/ all funds used locally, be adopted?

BONDS YES

BONDS NO

### **IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE J**

# SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, RIVER DELTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – SCHOOL BOND MEASURE

Measure **J** would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds of the River Delta Unified School District ("District") in series in the aggregate amount of up to \$45,700,000 on behalf of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1. This measure will not amend any existing laws. The District's governing board ("Board") placed the measure on the ballot.

Measure  ${\bf J}$  requires approval by 55 percent of the voters of the District voting on it.

The stated purpose of this measure is to upgrade schools, retain/attract quality teachers by repairing leaky roofs; removing asbestos/mold; building science labs; updating aging technology, fire/drinking water safety; repairing, constructing, equipping/acquiring educational facilities to prepare students for college/careers.

Bond proceeds would be used to modernize, replace, renovate, expand, construct, acquire, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve the classrooms and school facilities of School Facilities District No. 1 as identified in the Project List (reprinted completely in the sample ballot pamphlet).

Inclusion of a project on the Project List does not guarantee that the project would be completed. The listed projects would be completed as needed at a school or facility site according to the Board's priorities, and the order in which the projects appear on the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority. The District cannot guarantee that the bonds would provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects.

Some projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. Certain projects may require State matching funds for their completion.

The bond proceeds could not be used to pay for salaries and other operating expenses. The District would be required to conduct annual, independent financial and performance audits and appoint a citizen's oversight committee to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only for the specific projects listed in the Project List.

If Measure **J** is approved by the voters, the District may issue bonds either under the Government or Education Code. Bonds issued under the Government Code must mature within 30 years and may not have interest rates over 12%. Bonds issued under the Education Code must mature within 25 years and may be subject to a maximum interest rate of 8%. Each option comes with its own parameters, but in either case, the Board would be required to adopt a resolution indicating the reasons for the selected method of sale.

The procedures required for the approval and issuance of the general obligation bonds, including the process of submitting Measure  ${\bf J}$  to the vote of the District's electors, are as specified in the California Government, Education and Election Codes.

A "Yes" vote on this measure means: general obligation bonds totaling up to \$45,700,000 will be issued to fund specified school facilities projects.

A "No" vote on this measure means: general obligation bonds totaling up to  $$45,700,000 \text{ } \underline{\text{will not}}$$  be issued to fund specified school facilities projects.

/s/ Bernadette Curry Solano County Counsel

EC § 9500

### **MEASURE J**

### **FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE**

Upon the passage of Measure J, the River Delta Unified School District ("School District") on behalf of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 ("SFID No. 1") shall be authorized to issue bonds in the aggregate amount of \$45,700,000 (the "Bonds"), bearing interest at rates not exceeding the statutory limit, for the purpose of funding the school facilities projects listed below under the heading "School Facilities Projects to Be Funded with Proceeds of Bonds" (the "Bond Projects").

### **Bond Accountability Measures**

The Board certifies that it evaluated safety, condition of aging classrooms and schools, class size reduction, career technology, and information technology needs in developing the list of the Projects set forth below.

The Board will conduct financial and performance audits annually to account for the Bond funds and for their expenditure on the specific authorized projects.

The Board will appoint a citizens' oversight committee (the "Citizens' Oversight Committee") having a minimum of seven members and including at least one member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the School District, one member active in a senior citizens' organization, one member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization, one member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the School District, and one member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the School District and active in a parent-teacher organization.

The Project List set forth below describes the specific projects the School District proposes to finance with proceeds of the Bonds.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, removal, or replacement, along with related costs of school facilities as set forth herein, including the furnishing and equipping of said school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for said school facilities.

### **School Facilities Projects to Be Funded with Proceeds of Bonds**

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the School District intends to complete Projects using a combination of funding sources. These sources may include joint-use funds, development impact fees, state funds, and other available funds. The School District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for Projects on this list of authorized Projects or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted in Education Code section 17070.63(c).

It is the intent of this Resolution to generate funds for the construction, reconstruction, modernization, repair, and upgrade of schools serving School District students in SFID No. 1 as identified in the attached map (see "Exhibit A-1").

Specific Projects which may be funded by the Bonds shall include the following:

### **Infrastructure and Systems**

- Repair/replace/upgrade drinking water systems to ensure safe drinking water. These systems may include additional wells and well filtration systems.
- Install and/or replace/repair/upgrade fire water systems. These systems may include fire hydrants, backflow prevention systems, double decker valves, fire sprinklers, and appurtenant infrastructure.
- Install/update/replace/repair fire and life safety systems as required by current codes and/or the Division of the State Architect.
   These systems could include, but are not be limited to: Ansul systems; door hardware; fire suppression systems; remove unrated space; upgrade existing spaces for fire safety; kitchen and kitchen equipment upgrades, etc.
- Replace/repair/upgrade electrical systems to current standards.
- Install and/or replace/repair/upgrade equipment and technology systems necessary for student learning, efficient operations, increased capacity and/or processing speed. These systems may include but are not limited to wiring for computer systems and internet.
- Replace/repair/upgrade heating, air conditioning, and ventilation systems with new energy efficient systems.
- Replace/repair/upgrade emergency power systems.

- Install and/or replace/repair/upgrade security systems. These systems may include fencing, gates, video surveillance cameras, security alarms, security bars, door hardware, blackout curtains, and other security measures.
- Replace/repair/upgrade interior and exterior lighting systems and controls.
- Replace/repair/upgrade public address, intercom, clock, bell, telephone and/or VOIP systems.
- Install updated energy management systems, to promote energy efficiency and cost reduction.

### **Building and Grounds**

- Replace/repair/upgrade roof and roof drainage systems including but not limited to eliminating leaky roofs. Replace damaged areas due to dry rot.
- Repair/replace/upgrade deteriorating sewer and gas lines.
- Upgrade seismic, structural, and fire-life safety systems.
- Constructions of science laboratories.
- Replace/repair/upgrade plumbing systems, including repair/removal/replacement of boiler systems.
- Upgrade student and staff restrooms to current standards including accessibility.
- Install/update/replace/repair American Disability Act systems as required by current codes and/or the Division of the State Architect.
   These systems could include, but are not limited to: accessible ramps to portable classrooms; detectable warning surface on paving edge; install/repair handrails; install/replace signage; install curb ramps; install accessible doors; install/repair accessible restrooms, for both students and staff; install/repair accessible drinking fountains; install/repair site asphalt and/or concrete for path of travel, parking and accessibility; field improvements related to restrooms, accessibility and viewing, etc.
- Replace/repair/upgrade security/surveillance systems, add additional systems where needed.
- Upgrade of classrooms and facilities at any School District school site within SFID No. 1 boundaries.
- Repair/replace/upgrade/remove portable classrooms.
- Improve and upgrade school sites through necessary site work including but not limited to; excavation and/or grading, removal of obsolete portable classrooms and other outdated systems, installation of landscaping, and construction and paving of pathways.
- Repair/replace/upgrade window and flashing systems.
- Repair/replace/upgrade stucco and siding.
- Replace/repair/upgrade/construct library, multi-purpose, cafeteria, gymnasium, athletic, field, classroom, office and support spaces, and/or computer lab facilities.
- Repaint/upgrade interior finishes.
- Repaint building exteriors.
- Replace/repair/upgrade flooring systems.
- Asbestos, mold, and lead abatement or encapsulation.
- Upgrade and improve scope in the flood plain to protect existing and new facilities.

### Parking, Emergency Vehicle and Access Roads, Asphalt Hardcourts

- Replace/repair/upgrade asphalt paving, including correction of drainage problems. Replace asphalt systems site-wide as necessary.
- Repair/upgrade and/or expand school site parking, roadways, grounds and other infrastructure such as utility systems, including
  installing exterior lighting, repairing pathways, walkways, ADA access ramps and related landscaping

### Play Fields, Sports Facilities, and Play Structures

- Replace/repair/upgrade/improve safety of physical education, sports facilities, and play structures and fall zone surfacing.
- Replace/repair/upgrade athletic and recreation fields/courts and hardscape areas, including automating irrigation systems.
- Replace/repair/upgrade athletic facilities such as press box and bleachers.

The need for each of these Projects, as well as others, is specified and detailed in the **River Delta Unified School District Facility Condition Assessment Report (the "Report")** dated October 13, 2019 and incorporated herein by reference. Additional Projects not specified above may be necessary based on the Report. These additional Projects include work identified in the Report, to the extent it serves SFID No. 1. Such additional Projects include, but are not limited to, the acquisition of land, instructional, maintenance and operational furniture and equipment; preparation of all facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, and environmental studies; acquisition of temporary housing for displaced programs or activities caused or necessitated by construction projects, and construction, repairs, and improvements in the event of unforeseen emergencies or other circumstances in order to permit the continuance of existing educational services or to avoid danger to life or property; other work necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Division of State Architect or other State laws, codes, and regulations.

### **Bond Program Management Costs**

Project expenditures may also include:

- Program Costs: Staffing and other general and administrative costs to manage and execute the Bond Program.
- Escalation Reserve: Reserve for unforeseen inflation costs.
- Program Reserve: Reserve for unanticipated scope costs or for unanticipated opportunities to enhance Project scope or schedules.

Further, each Project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and Bond issuance, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, construction management, Bond Project staff, staff training expenses associated with new Bond-funded equipment and systems, and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs.

For any of the Bond Projects described above with respect to construction at an existing School District site, the School District is authorized to identify an alternate site and/or acquire land for such purpose and construct the approved Project at such site if the School District has determined that the existing site does not satisfy the requirements of the Division of State Architect or other State laws, codes, and regulations, including, but not limited to hazardous substances, applicable to school district properties.

The final cost of each Project will be determined as plans are finalized and Projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each Project, certain of the Projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. The allocation of Bond proceeds may also be affected by the final costs of each Project.

Necessary site preparation/grading/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, reconstruction, modernization, renovation, rehabilitation or replacement, furnishing and equipping, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses, or rights of way to the property.

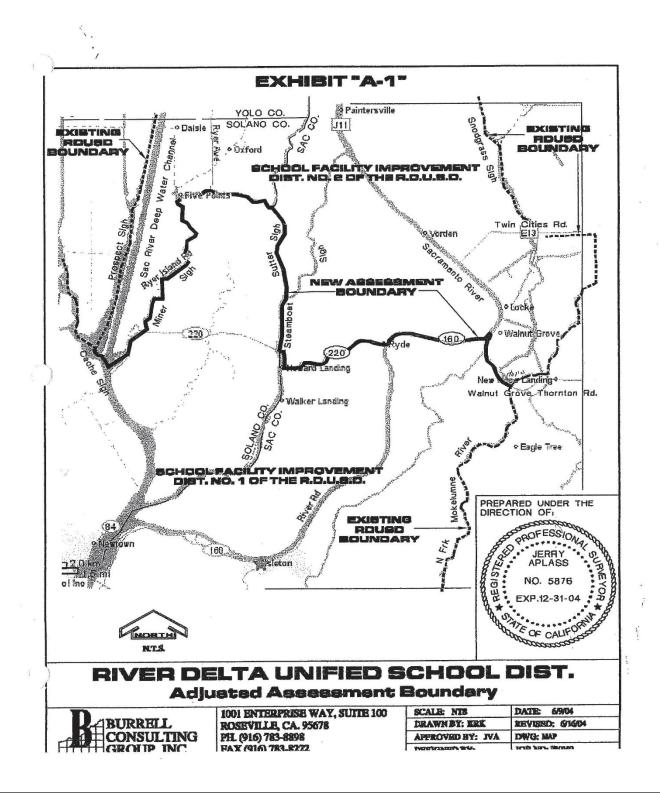
### **Additional Specifications**

Listed Projects, including repairs, improvements, rehabilitation projects, and upgrades, will be completed only as feasible, and the list of Projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements. Such prioritization remains within the province of the Board of Education by subsequent action. The Projects may be completed at any and all school sites where such Project is determined necessary. Where economically feasible, buildings, fixtures, and equipment may be replaced rather than modernized, renovated, or repaired.

<u>Single Purpose.</u> All of the purposes enumerated in this Bond measure shall be united and voted upon as one single measure, pursuant to Section 15100 of the 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.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the Bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The Bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a plan of finance determined by the Board pursuant to requirements of law.

<u>Project Requiring State Matching Funds.</u> Approval of Measure J does not guarantee that the proposed Projects that are the subject of Bonds under Measure J will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure J. Some of the School District's Projects may assume the receipt of state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.



# MEASURE J TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held within the boundaries of School Facility Improvement District No. 1 ("SFID No. 1) of the River Delta Unified School District (the "School District") on November 3, 2020, to authorize the sale of up to \$45,700,000 in bonds to upgrade schools, retain/attract quality teachers by repairing leaky roofs; removing asbestos/mold; building science labs; updating aging technology, fire/drinking water safety; repairing, constructing, equipping/acquiring educational facilities to prepare students for college/careers, with local funding that cannot be taken by the State, independent citizen oversight, and all funds used for River Delta Schools within SFID No. 1.

If the bonds are authorized and sold, debt service thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the SFID No. 1. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9405 of the Elections Code of the State of California. It is anticipated that the School District will sell the bonds on behalf of SFID No. 1 in three separate series.

- 1. 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 5.995¢ per \$100 (\$59.95 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2053- 2054.
- 2. 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 of this statement, is  $6.0\$  per \$100 (\$60.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation which would first occur in fiscal year 2021 2022.
- 3. The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, which would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$85,686,013. This estimate is based on assumptions that interest rates will increase over time, and the Bonds will have a maximum term of 30 years per series.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on Sacramento and Solano 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 School District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the School District. The actual tax rates, debt service, 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 School District based on the 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 School District as determined by the Sacramento County and Solano County Assessors in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: June 23, 2020

/s/ Katherine Wright
Superintendent
River Delta Unified School District

### ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

### **ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE J**

Vote Yes on Measure J:

River Delta USD classrooms and buildings are in urgent need of basic repairs and safety upgrades. Some schools were built more than 90 years ago and need fixes to leaky roofs, deteriorating sewer and gas lines, aging electrical systems and more.

Measure J will upgrade classrooms, computer technology, and vocational training rooms to improve student learning so they are prepared to compete for good-paying jobs in a changing 21st century economy.

A Yes Vote on Measure J will repair and upgrade infrastructure to:

- keep schools clean and safe,
- · retain quality teachers,
- improve drinking water safety, fire safety,
- repair leaky roofs, deteriorating sewer and gas lines, plumbing and bathrooms,
- · remove asbestos, mold, and lead paint,
- update electrical wiring for computers/internet access to provide career and technical education,
- improve ADA accessibility,
- · build a science lab and more.

### By law:

- all funds will be monitored by an independent citizens' oversight committee, which will review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction.
- the District must conduct annual independent financial and performance audits ensuring that proceeds are only spent on specific local school facility projects; all spending will be disclosed publicly.

Every child deserves to learn in safe, clean, high-quality schools. Please Vote Yes on Measure J.

### Signatures

/s/ Kathy Rankine Business Owner

/s/ Walter Mamos Voter

/s/ James Wheeler Voter

/s/ Lee Williams Business Owner

/s/ Vera Sunada Voter

# Tips and Assistance for Voting in-person



Your vote is important to us and we want to do all that we can to make the whole in-person voting experience enjoyable. Below you will find a few tips that you may find helpful.

# Before you go...



**Take note of your polling place.** Your polling place may have changed since our last election. You can find the address and quick reference map to your polling place on the enclosed voter flyer. You can also find your polling place on the Registrar of Voter's website: www.solanocounty.com/elections.



**Practice marking your ballot.** If you are not a vote by mail voter, we have provided a sample of your ballot for you to make selections before heading to the polls. Use it as a guide when you vote your official ballot on Election Day.

To request a sample ballot, you can download one from our website: www.solanocounty.com/elections or call our office at 707-784-6675.

# On Election day...



**Check your time.** Many voters vote on their way to work, on their lunch hour, or after work. If you have flexibility in your schedule consider visiting us midmorning or mid-afternoon to miss the crowds.



**If you have questions, please ask.** Your poll workers will have the answers to many of your questions. You can also give us a call at (707) 784-6675 and we will be glad to help.

# If you need assistance...

As a voter, you may bring up to two individuals with you to your polling place to help you cast your ballot, as a long as those individuals do not represent your employer or your union. Your polling place will have copies of the ballot in Spanish and Tagalog and may have poll workers ready to assist you who speak Spanish and Tagalog.

Como votante, usted puede traer dos individuos a la estación de votación para que le ayuden a emitir su voto. Sus acompañantes no pueden ser representantes de su empleador o sindicato. La estación de votación quizá mantenga copias en español de la papeleta de votación y empleé trabajadores que le puedan asistir en español.

Bilang botante, maaari kang magkaroon ng hanggang dalawang tao sa iyong lugar ng botohan o presinto upang matulungan kang i-record ang iyong balota, hangga't ang mga taong ito ay hindi kinakatawan ng iyong tagapag-empleyo o iyong unyon. Magkakaroon ng mga kopya ng iyong balota na isinalin sa Tagalog sa iyong lugar ng botohan. Maaaring may mga taong nagtatrabaho na nagsasalita ngtagalog sa lugar ng botohan.

# **ATTENTION VOTERS**





Solano County is required to provide a translated copy of the official ballots to voters in both Spanish and Tagalog. Any voter in Solano County can request a copy of this ballot for any precinct in the election. Requests can be made at any time. Translated ballots will be delivered at least 10 days before the Election Day.

To request a copy of a translated ballot in Spanish or Tagalog, please use one of the following methods:



By Phone – Call 707-784-6675 during office hours Monday through Friday 8am to 5pm.



By E-mail – elections@solanocounty.com; place the words "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" in the subject line for faster processing;



On our website: www.solanocounty.com/elections - click the link for "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST"



All polling places in Solano County provide copies of ballots translated in Spanish and Tagalog. For a complete list of polling places, please visit www.solanocounty.com/elections.

### **ATENCIÓN VOTANTES**



El Condado de Solano tiene la obligación de proporcionarles a los votantes una copia traducida de las boletas electorales oficiales en español y tagalo. Cualquier votante en el Condado de Solano puede solicitar una copia de esta boleta electoral para cualquier distrito electoral en la elección. Las solicitudes pueden realizarse en cualquier momento. Las boletas electorales traducidas serán entregadas al menos 10 días antes del Día de la Elección.

Para solicitar una copia de la boleta electoral traducida al español o tagalo, por favor use uno de los siguientes métodos:



Por Teléfono – Llame al 707-784-6675 durante el horario de atención regular, de lunes a viernes de 8am a 5pm.



Por Correo Electrónico – elections@solanocounty.com; coloque las palabras "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (SOLICITUD DE BOLETA ELECTORAL TRADUCIDA) en la línea del asunto para un procesamiento más rápido;



En nuestro sitio web: www.solanocounty.com/elections - haga clic en el enlace "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (SOLICITUD DE BOLETA ELECTORAL TRADUCIDA)



Todos los lugares de votación en el Condado de Solano proporcionan copias de boletas electorales traducidas al español y tagalo. Para una lista completa de lugares de votación, por favor visite www. solanocounty.com/elections.

### TINATAWAG ANG PANSIN NG MGA BOTANTE



Ang County ay inaatasang magkaloob ng isang isinaling kopya ng mga opisyal na balota sa mga botante sa pareho ng Kastila at Tagalog. Sinumang botante sa County ng Solano ay makahihiling ng isang kopya ng balotang ito para sa alinmang presinto sa halalan. Ang mga paghiling ay magagawa anumang oras. Ang mga isinaling balota ay ihahatid ng hindi bababa sa 10 araw bago ang Araw ng Halalan.

Upang humiling ng isang kopya ng isang isinaling balota sa Kastila o Tagalog, mangyaring gamitin ang isa sa mga sumusunod na paraan:



Sa Pamamagitan ng Telepono – Tumawag sa 707-784-6675 sa mga oras ng opisina Lunes hanggang Biyernes 8am hanggang 5pm.



Sa pamamagitan ng E-mail – elections@solanocounty.com; ilagay ang mga salitang "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (PAGHILING NG ISINALING BALOTA) sa linya ng paksa para sa mas mabilis na pagproseso;



Sa aming website: www.solanocounty.com/elections - i-click ang link para sa "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST"



Lahat ng mga lugar ng botohan sa County ng Solano ay nagkakaloob ng mga kopya ng mga balota na isinalin sa Kastila at Tagalog. Para sa isang kumpletong listahan ng mga lugar ng botohan, mangyaring bisitahin ang www.solanocounty.com/elections.