

MAIL BALLOT VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Your **OFFICIAL MAIL BALLOT** for the September 21, 2010 Special Tax Election for Road Improvement Services within the County Service Area No. 21 Road Improvement Zone- Bradford Road is enclosed. To vote, darken the oval to the left of the word “**YES**” or the word “**NO**”. Use any blue or black colored pen or pencil to fill in the oval.

VOTE LIKE THIS: ●

You may vote and return your ballot as soon as you receive it - you do not have to wait until election day. If you wrongly mark your ballot and wish to have another one sent to you, seal the spoiled ballot in the I.D. Return Envelope, sign your name on the line under “Declaration of Voter” and mark an “**X**” in the box. Return it to our office and we will send you another one. You may also bring in your spoiled ballot in the I.D. Return Envelope and we will issue you a new ballot. Distinguishing marks (i.e. signing your ballot) make the ballot void. When you have finished voting:

1. Fold the ballot, seal it in the Postage Paid I.D. Return Envelope, read the “Declaration of Voter” and sign your name in the space provided - your signature must look similar to the original signature on your Affidavit of Registration - **DO NOT PRINT YOUR NAME.**
2. If you are unable to sign, you must mark an “X” on the signature line and have one witness sign in the appropriate box. A person who has Power of Attorney **MAY NOT SIGN FOR YOU.**
3. Print your residence address (**NOT MAILING**) and the date on the lines provided.

The deadline for the return of your ballot is 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 21, 2010. You may return your ballot by mail or in person to the County Clerk-Recorder’s Office, 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D120, San Luis Obispo (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday) or to our North County Office at 5955 Capistrano Avenue, Suite B, Atascadero (7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday). **Ballots received after 8:00 p.m., September 21, 2010, WILL NOT BE COUNTED.**

If you are unable to return your ballot because of illness or other physical disability you may designate only your spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister or a person residing in voter’s household to return it for you by filling in the information in the appropriate box on the I.D. Return Envelope.

Our ballot opening process provides for complete secrecy of all ballots so there is no secrecy sleeve provided, but you may fold these instructions around your ballot if you wish.

REASONS WHY YOUR BALLOT WOULD NOT BE COUNTED

1. It arrives after 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 21, 2010 - Election Day.
2. The I.D. Return Envelope is not signed.
3. The signature on the I.D. Return Envelope does not match the voter’s signature on his/her Affidavit of Registration.
4. The ballot is returned by someone other than the voter or his/her Designee.
5. The ballot is returned without the I.D. Return Envelope.
6. Your ballot contains distinguishing marks (i.e. writing your name or initials on the ballot)

Please feel free to call our office at 805-781-5228 if you should have any questions regarding this ballot. Thank you!

SEE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS ON REVERSE SIDE

VOTER'S PAMPHLET

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FOR MEASURE J-10

This measure is intended to determine whether the County of San Luis Obispo shall provide road improvements within the Road Improvement Zone – Bradford Road of County Service Area No. 21 (“the Bradford Road Improvement Zone”) by imposing, levying, and collecting a special tax on real property within the Zone, at an initial rate not to exceed \$2,165 per parcel having a separate County Assessor’s Parcel Number, commencing with fiscal year 2011/2012 and increasing not more than 2% annually thereafter.

Section 2 of article XIIC of the California Constitution requires that the voters within the Zone approve any special tax before the tax may be imposed, extended, or increased. Government Code section 25210.6a authorizes the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors (“the Board”) to levy and collect a special tax within a zone of a county service area. Section 4000 of the California Elections Code provides that any local, special, or consolidated election authorized by article XIIC of the Constitution may be conducted wholly by mail. In accordance with these constitutional and statutory provisions, and pursuant to Government Code section 50077, the Board has determined to submit to the voters of the Zone, the question of whether a special tax for road improvement services shall be approved and imposed within said Zone. The special tax authorized by this measure will be imposed only in the event that two-thirds (2/3) of the qualified voters voting on the measure approve it.

In accordance with the measure, commencing fiscal year 2011/2012, and annually thereafter, the Board shall determine the precise amount of the special tax to be levied during the ensuing fiscal year, provided that such tax shall not exceed the maximum amount provided by the measure. The special tax will be collected by the San Luis Obispo County Tax Collector in the same manner and at the same time, and shall be subject to the same penalties, as other property taxes collected by the Tax Collector.

A “yes” vote on this measure is a vote in favor of approving and imposing a special tax, not to exceed an initial rate of \$2,165 per parcel, having a separate County Assessor’s parcel number, and increasing not more than 2% annually thereafter, on all real property within the boundaries of the Bradford Road Improvement Zone for the purpose of providing road improvements within the Zone.

A “no” vote on this measure is a vote against approving and imposing a special tax, not to exceed an initial rate of \$2,165 per parcel, having a separate County Assessor’s parcel number, and increasing not more than 2% annually thereafter, on all real property within the boundaries of the Bradford Road Improvement Zone for the purpose of providing road improvements within the Zone.

/s/ WARREN JENSEN
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