

## NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

### FOR THE FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED SHANDON- SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT, ELECTION OF THE INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF DATE FIXED FOR SUBMITTING ARGUMENTS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to the landowners within the proposed Shandon-San Juan Water District (“District”) located in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, as defined in Water Code Section 34000, that in accordance with applicable law, a special election conducted by all mailed ballot will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, to determine if the Shandon-San Juan Water District shall be formed and to elect the initial directors of the District, if the formation passes by a vote of landowners of the proposed district. The question posed to the qualified voters of the proposed District shall be as follows:

#### MEASURE A-17

Shall the order adopted on October 20, 2016, by the Local Agency Formation Commission of San Luis Obispo County ordering the formation of a district in the territory described, known as the Shandon-San Juan Water District, be conditionally approved subject to the terms and conditions specified in the order?	YES
	NO

The name of the proposed district is the Shandon-San Juan Water District.

The boundaries of the proposed Water District are as approved by the San Luis Obispo County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and is comprised of approximately 144,000 acres. The Water District generally lies east of Highway 101 and of the Cities of Paso Robles and Atascadero, and the community of Templeton. To the north the Water District boundary is the Monterey-San Luis Obispo County line. The Water District’s service area boundary includes the rural, unincorporated properties in San Luis Obispo County that overlie a portion of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin.

Upon the formation of the Water District, there shall be a total of five directors elected by landowners. Candidates must hold title to land within the proposed Water District or be persons authorized to vote in elections by landowners, as provided in Water Code Section 34700. The nomination period opens Monday, December 19, 2016, and will close at 5:00 PM, Friday, January 13, 2017. The Directors elected upon formation of the Water District shall hold office pursuant to Water Code Section 34700 et seq.

Qualified landowners within the proposed district will be mailed ballots for this election beginning March 13, 2017. All voters and legal representatives of voters may vote by mail, in person or by proxy at the election.

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. The County Clerk-Recorder’s offices, located at 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D120, San Luis Obispo, and 6565 Capistrano Avenue (2nd Floor Atascadero Library), Atascadero, will be used as the “polls” for these elections.

The Elections Division of the County Clerk-Recorder’s Office, located at 1055 Monterey Street, Suite D-120, San Luis Obispo, urges interested candidates to call our office at 781-5228 to make an appointment to come in and obtain the Declaration of Candidacy.

## ARGUMENTS FOR/AGAINST MEASURE A-17

Arguments for or against Measure A-17 may be submitted to the office of the San Luis Obispo County Clerk-Recorder's, 1055 Monterey Street, D120, San Luis Obispo, CA, 93408, from December 17 – December 27, 2016, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except holidays. This time has been determined by the County Clerk-Recorder to be a reasonable period based upon the time necessary to prepare and print the arguments.

Arguments may be submitted by the Board of Supervisors or any member or members of the board authorized by the board, or any individual voter or bona fide association of citizens entitled to vote on the district formation proposition, or any combination of such voters and associations of citizens, may file a written argument for or a written argument against the proposed district formation.

No argument shall exceed 300 words in length and shall be accompanied by not more than five signatures. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the last date to submit arguments fixed by the County Clerk-Recorder. All arguments shall be typed and in paragraph form using upper and lowercase format.

All arguments shall be signed by each author(s) of the argument and be accompanied (on a separate sheet) by the following form statement:

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the (primary) or (rebuttal) argument in favor of/against Ballot Measure A-17 at the Special Mail Ballot Election for the Proposed Shandon-San Juan Water District to be held on April 11, 2017, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

**Printed Name/Title**

**Signed**

**Date**

**NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN** that if more than one argument FOR or more than one argument AGAINST Measure A-17 is submitted, the County Clerk-Recorder will select the argument FOR and the argument AGAINST, according to law. If an argument FOR and an argument AGAINST Measure A-17 is filed, the County Clerk-Recorder will send a copy to the respective opposing authors in order that they may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument. Rebuttal arguments, if applicable, shall be titled "Rebuttal to Argument (in Favor of) or (Against) Measure A-17." Rebuttal arguments shall not exceed 250 words in length and shall be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 6, 2017.

Following each filing deadline, the measure text, arguments for and against, rebuttal arguments, and the impartial analysis will be posted for a ten-day public examination. You may view these items in our office or online at [www.slovote.com](http://www.slovote.com). Please contact the County Elections office if you have questions at (805)781-5228.

Date: December 2, 2016

TOMMY GONG, County Clerk-Recorder  
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