## Yolo County Fire Protection Districts

### **Proposition 218 Requirements**



# Engineer's Report

- Engineering study required
  - Budget and assessment rate based on service level needs
  - Amount of special benefit each property receives must be defined
  - Assessment amounts for different property types based on property use type, parcel size, number of dwelling units
  - Distance from fire station and fire hazard zones
- Must be prepared by a qualified licensed Civil Engineer



# Mailed Ballot Proceeding

- Ballot
- Information Guide
- Outgoing envelope
- Return Envelope
- 45-day property owner ballot proceeding required



## Sample Ballot

Santa Cruz County Clerk-Elections

### Official Assessment Ballot 701 Ocean Street, Room 310 Santa Cruz, CA, 95060 FIRE PROTECTION & EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES ASSESSMENT BY THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, COUNTY SERVICE AREA 48

- YES, I approve the proposed assessment for Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services.
- **NO**, I do not approve the proposed assessment for Fire Protection and Emergency Response Services.

#### Signed

Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ Signature of Record Property Owner, or Authorized Representative

#### Print Name

I hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am the property owner or owner's authorized representative of the parcel(s) identified on this official assessment ballot.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION AND RETURN OF OFFICIAL ASSESSMENT BALLOTS

This assessment ballot may be completed by the persons or firms owning the property or properties identified by parcel number on this ballot. An explanation of who may complete the assessment ballot on behalf of the recorded property owner and additional instructions are provided on the other side of this Official Assessment Ballot

To be tabulated, assessment ballots MUST be received before the end of the public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

You are invited to attend the public hearing. You may return your assessment ballot in the following ways:

Mail your assessment ballot to the address shown on the enclosed return envelope. Ballots must be received by January 14, 2020.

Deliver it in person at the January 14, 2020 public hearing.



## Sample Ballot

#### Who May Complete This Official Assessment Ballot

- 1. If the property is owned by an individual, the individual may sign.
- If a property is held by more than one person, any one may sign for all.
- If the property is owned by a corporation, the assessment ballot may be signed for the corporation by an officer or officers authorized to make contracts or by resolution of the corporation's Board of Directors.
- If the property is owned by another legal entity, the assessment ballot may be signed by any person authorized by law to make contracts for the entity.
- If the property is owned by a public agency, the assessment ballot may be signed by any person authorized by law to make contracts for the agency or by resolution of the agency's Governing Board.

### Please see other side to complete this assessment ballot.

### 12345678

PROPERTY OWNER NAME MAIL ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIPCODE

#### Steps for Completing the Official Assessment Ballot

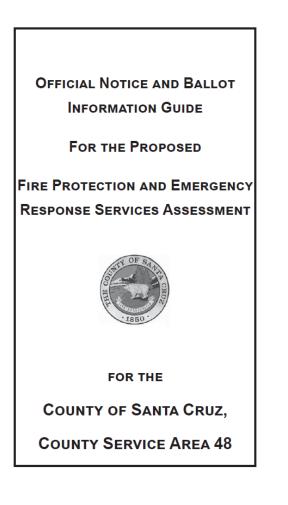
- Verify that the owner name and parcel number(s) listed on the assessment ballot are correct. If they are not correct, please call (831) 454-3416.
- Fill in or clearly mark the oval next to the word "YES" or "NO" to approve or disapprove of the proposed assessment. You may use a pencil or pen.
- 3. Sign and date the assessment ballot. Only official assessment ballots which are signed and marked with the property owner's support or opposition will be counted. After marking your vote, simply FOLD the assessment ballot so that your vote is on the inside of the fold. Then place the assessment ballot in the return envelope provided. No postage is necessary to mail back your assessment ballot.
- If you make a mistake in completing your assessment ballot or wish to change or withdraw your assessment ballot, please call (831) 454-3416.
  (See enclosed notice for further information)

|               | PROPOSED   |
|---------------|------------|
| PARCEL NUMBER | ASSESSMENT |
| 12345678      | \$148.72   |
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# Notice & Information Guide

- District information
- Voting instructions
- Funding needs
- Assessment information
  - Rates
  - CPI
- Use of assessment funds
- Public hearing participation





### Outgoing & Return Envelopes



| FIRST CLASS<br>U.S. POSTAGE PAID<br>SACRAMENTO, CA<br>PERMIT NO. 333 |
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#### **OFFICIAL BALLOT ENCLOSED**

FOR PROPERTY OWNERS IN COUNTY SERVICE AREA 48 FOR A PROPOSED FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES ASSESSMENT

**OFFICIAL MAIL** 

OFFICIAL ASSESSMENT BALLOT

ENCLOSED

PLEASE OPEN IMMEDIATELY MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 14, 2020 **OFFICIAL MAIL** COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, CSA 48 FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ASSESSMENT BALLOT DO NOT OPEN BEFORE JANUARY 14, 2020



NO POSTAGE

NECESSARY

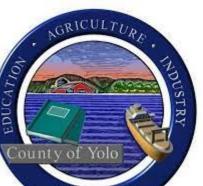
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POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CLERK/ELECTIONS 701 OCEAN ST RM 310 SANTA CRUZ CA 95060-9942



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Property Owner Name Mail Address Mail City Mail State Mail Zip

### **Ballot Tabulation**

- Independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party tabulator
- Ballots are weighted by total assessment amount
- 50%+1 (weighted) needed



### Fire District Prioritization & Timing

| FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT | Priority |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Clarksburg               | 1        |
| Esparto                  | 1        |
| West Plainfield          | 1        |
| Willow Oak               | 1        |
| Winters                  | 1        |
| Madison                  | 1        |
| Capay Valley             | 1        |
| Dunnigan                 | 2        |
| Knights Landing          | 2        |
| Yolo                     | 2        |
| Zamora                   | 2        |
| East Davis               | 3        |
| No Man's Land            | 3        |
| Springlake               | 3        |
| Elkhorn                  | 3        |

| Same Region |  |
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