Countywide Voter Information Guide

Presidential Primary Election

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Vote-By-Mail Election

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Dear Voter,

Welcome to the Official Voter Information Guide with your Official Ballot for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election.

This guide contains all information for local contests and issues for all political parties. Printing a universal guide is one of the ways Butte County is able to keep election costs down. Please familiarize yourself with your ballot and this guide. Based on your address and party affiliation your ballot will have all of the candidates and issues you are entitled to vote on.

On the cover of this guide you will find a beautiful hand drawn ‘I Voted’ sticker. This sticker was created by a local student and selected by a community vote in Butte County’s first ‘I Voted’ sticker design contest. Wear it proudly!

Butte County is a Voter’s Choice Act County. This means that you have options on how to cast your vote. This packet contains your Official Ballot and a return envelope. You can mail it in using the pre-paid postage or you can drop it off at any official ballot drop box or voter assistance center in the county. If you prefer, you can still vote in person at any voter assistance center. The centers are full service, meaning you can vote in person, update your registration, mark your ballot on an accessible device, and/or receive language assistance.

However you choose to cast your vote, we encourage you to do so early! Casting your vote early means it will be included in the first wave of election results reported on election night. The sooner the votes are submitted, the sooner they can be counted and the election results can be made official.

Another feature of elections in California is that all ballots are cast on paper. Butte County ballots are counted and audited in the Hall of Records by Butte County voters so you can have confidence in the election results.

We, as voters, have big decisions to make this year. Let’s make the most of this opportunity to have our voices heard.

Happy Voting!

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Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024
You have the following rights:

1. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:
   - a U.S. citizen living in California
   - at least 18 years old
   - registered where you currently reside
   - not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony
   - not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

2. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.** You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if election officials determine that you are eligible to vote.

3. **The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**

4. **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.

5. **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake or spoiled your ballot.** If you have not already cast your ballot, you may:
   - Ask an elections official at a voter assistance center for a new ballot
   - Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot for a new one at an elections office or voter assistance center
   - Vote using a provisional ballot

6. **The right to assistance casting your ballot from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.**

7. **The right to drop off your ballot at any voter assistance center in Butte County.**

8. **The right to language assistance.**

9. **The right to ask questions to election officials about election procedures and observe the election process.** If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the appropriate source for the answer. If you are disruptive, they are not required to assist you.

10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or to the Secretary of State’s office.
    - Butte County Elections Division – (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or (800) 884-7761 within Butte County
    - Email – elections@sos.ca.gov
    - Phone – (800) 345-VOTE (8683)
    - Website – www.sos.ca.gov

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights, call the Secretary of State’s confidential toll-free Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

Election Code 2300
Where’s my Ballot?
Tracking your vote-by-mail ballot—when it is mailed, received, and counted—has never been easier. The California Secretary of State is now offering Where’s My Ballot?—a way for voters to track and receive notifications on the status of their vote-by-mail ballot.

How will BallotTrax help me?
Powered by BallotTrax, Where’s My Ballot? offers peace of mind. BallotTrax lets voters know where their ballot is, and its status, every step of the way through email, SMS (text), or automated phone call.

Additional benefits of BallotTrax:
- **Convenient**: Simple, secure, online signup.
- **Confidential**: Tracks your mail-in ballot, not your vote.
- **Innovative**: BallotTrax utilizes barcode data, offers complete visibility as to your mail-in ballot’s location and status—your vote remains confidential.
- **Informative**: The updates available by text, email, voice—any or all, brings transparency to voters.
- **Customization**: Voters choice of delivery, language, and when (and when not to) be notified.
- **Intelligent**: Accepted, rejected, missing, need to sign? Timely notifications to ensure voters have time to respond to any discrepancies with their ballot, such as verifying ballot signatures.

How do I sign up for BallotTrax?
It’s easy and free to sign up! Sign-up today, go to [www.ButteVotes.net](http://www.ButteVotes.net), select the “Where’s my Ballot?” link located on our website under the elections tab or go to [WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov](http://WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov).
California Voter’s Choice Act

The California Voter’s Choice Act modernizes elections in California by allowing counties to conduct elections under a model which provides greater flexibility, security, and convenience for voters.

This election model allows you to have three choices for how, when, and where to cast your vote:

- **By Mail – No postage required!**
- **At any Secure Ballot Drop Box.**
- **At any Voter Assistance Center.**

**When do I vote?**
You will receive your ballot in the mail weeks before the election. To ensure your vote is reflected in the election night report make sure to send your ballot in early.

**Where do I find a Secure Drop Box or Voter Assistance Center?**
Information on locations and hours for both the Secure Drop Boxes as well as the Voter Assistance Centers is located in the back of your Voter Information Guide.

**What is available at Voter Assistance Centers?**
You can vote in person at any Voter Assistance Center throughout Butte County. Voter Assistance Centers will be available starting 10 days before the election. At every Voter Assistance Center, you can: vote in person, register to vote or update your registration, drop off your completed ballot, get a replacement ballot, vote using an accessible voting machine, and receive assistance in multiple languages.

**What if I don’t receive my ballot?**
Visit any Voter Assistance Center in the county or call the Elections Division at (530)552-3400 option 1 to request a replacement ballot.
**How to Vote for President**

**ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH A QUALIFIED POLITICAL PARTY?**
If you are registered with any of the following qualified political parties, your ballot will only have presidential candidates for your party:

- American Independent Party
- Democratic Party
- Green Party
- Libertarian Party
- Peace and Freedom Party
- Republican Party

If you want to vote for another party’s presidential candidate, you must re-register with that specific party. To change your voter registration, visit [registertovote.ca.gov](http://registertovote.ca.gov).

**ARE YOU REGISTERED AS A NO PARTY PREFERENCE VOTER?**
As a voter registered as No Party Preference your Presidential Primary ballot will not include candidates for the U.S. President.

Three political parties allow you to vote in their Presidential Primary: American Independent, Democratic, or Libertarian. Contact the Elections Division, (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or go to any Voter Assistance Center within Butte County for assistance.

To vote in the Presidential Primary for Green, Peace & Freedom, or Republican Party candidates, these three parties require you to reregister. To reregister online go to [registertovote.ca.gov](http://registertovote.ca.gov).
Voting Instructions

How to mark your ballot:
- To vote, **fill in and darken the oval next to your choice.**
- **DO NOT** mark your vote with an “x”, checkmark, or thin line; you must fill in and darken the oval.
- **DO NOT** mark more ovals than are allowed for a contest.
- Use **blue or black ink** to fill in the oval. **DO NOT USE RED INK OR PENCIL.**
- **DO NOT** sign your name, write your initials, or write any other words or marks on your ballot.
- **Complete and sign your return envelope,** then seal. Your signature is verified by comparing it to the signature(s) on your voter registration file.

Voting for qualified write-in Candidates:
To vote for a write-in candidate, locate the write-in space below the names of the other candidates for the office. Fill in the oval to the left of the write-in space. If you do not fill in the oval, the vote will not be counted. Print the name of the person on the blank line next to the filled-in oval. Only votes for qualified write-in candidates will be counted.

Check your ballot carefully:
Make a mistake? Get a replacement ballot by -
- Email - elections@buttecounty.net
- Phone - (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or (800) 894-7761 within Butte County
- In Person - ANY Butte County Voter Assistance Center

**WARNING: VOTING TWICE IN THE SAME ELECTION IS A CRIME!**
Political parties are allowed to endorse candidates to voter-nominated offices (California Elections Code Section 13302(b)). Not all political parties participate in endorsements, but any political party may endorse a candidate from a party other than its own. Only endorsed candidate names will appear below.

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Candidate Statements
The following pages contain Candidate Statements of qualification, not all candidates submit statements.

Each Statement:
- Is volunteered by the candidate
- Is paid for by the candidate
- Is printed as submitted

Candidate Statements of Qualification for State Legislative Offices
A candidate for state legislative office who accepts the voluntary expenditure limits set forth in Government Code Section 85400 may submit a 250-word candidate statement of qualifications to be printed in the sample ballot booklet (Government Code Section 85601).

How do I contact a Candidate?
Local candidate contact information can be found by:

- Email – elections@buttecounty.net
- Website – www.ButteVotes.net
- State candidate contact information is posted on the California Secretary of State’s website: http://sos.ca.gov
About the Candidate

Candidate Name: Rose Penelope Yee
Office: U.S. Representative 1st Congressional District
Occupation: Business Leader, Finance Professional, Investor

Like you, I’m a proud American.

I have a vision for America: a nation where we live the very best possible lives we can live, where everyone has the opportunity to achieve the American dream.

But for many, the American dream seems so far out of reach. The struggle to make ends meet and keep ones head above water is real.

As such, I will focus on uplifting Americans’ financial wellbeing. Parents should earn wages for a full day’s work enough to feed, clothe, and house their families without needing a second or third job to do it.

I will work towards an America that works for all Americans:
- Healthcare for Americans: Quality healthcare through Medicare for All.
- Education for Americans: Adequately fund our schools and give youth access to trade schools, public colleges, and universities without crippling student loans.
- Security for Americans: Protect our seniors by preserving and expanding Social Security, uphold workers’ rights, and create a Federal Jobs Guaranty to provide Economic Security for all.
- Safety for Americans: Ensure a healthy and safe environment that promotes our well-being.
- Care for Americans: An economy where budgets and laws passed put the welfare of Americans first, rather than the profiteering of billionaires.

I’m inviting you to join me on this journey. With your vote, we can realize our shared vision of a kinder, gentler America with thriving communities and caring neighborhoods.

It will be an honor to get your vote and serve you in Congress.

Thank you.

www.roseforcongress.com

Note: Each candidate statement is printed as submitted.
Nombre del Candidato: Rose Penelope Yee
Cargo: Representante de los EE. UU., 1er Distrito del Congreso
Ocupación: Líder de Negocios, Profesional Financiero, Inversionista

Al igual que usted, me enorgullece ser estadounidense.

Tengo una visión para Estados Unidos: una nación donde podemos vivir nuestras mejores vidas posibles, donde todos tienen la oportunidad de alcanzar el sueño Americano.

Pero para muchos, el sueño Americano parece muy fuera de su alcance. La lucha para llegar a fin de mes y mantenerse a flote es real.

Por ello, me enfocaré en impulsar el bienestar financiero de los estadounidenses. Los padres y madres deben percibir un salario por una jornada laboral completa suficiente para alimentar, vestir y dar un lugar para vivir a sus familias sin necesidad de un segundo o tercer empleo para ello.

Trabajaré para que Estados Unidos funcione para todos los estadounidenses: Atención médica para los estadounidenses: Atención médica de calidad a través de Medicare for All.

Educación para los estadounidenses: Financiar adecuadamente nuestras escuelas y dar a los jóvenes acceso a las escuelas de comercio, colegios públicos y universidades sin préstamos estudiantiles agobiantes.

Seguridad para los estadounidenses: Proteger a nuestros mayores preservando y ampliando la Seguridad Social, defender los derechos de los trabajadores, y crear una Garantía Federal de Empleo que proporcione Seguridad Económica para todos.

Seguridad para los estadounidenses: Garantizar un entorno sano y seguro que promueva nuestro bienestar.

Atención a los estadounidenses: Una economía en la que los presupuestos y las leyes aprobadas den prioridad al bienestar de los estadounidenses, y no a la ganancia de los multimillonarios.

Le invito a que me acompañe en este viaje. Con su voto, podemos hacer realidad nuestra visión común de unos Estados Unidos más amables y gentiles, con comunidades prósperas y vecindarios solidarios.

Será un honor contar con su voto y poder servirle en el Congreso.

Gracias.

www.roseforcongress.com

Nota: Declaraciones de casa candidato como edviado.
Candidate Name: David Fennell  
Office: State Senate 1st District  
Occupation: Entrepreneur

My name is David Fennell and I am running to be your State Senator. We have been through a lot together in the North State with rising costs, increased crime, decreased water, fire outbreaks & economic uncertainty. Our great region is constantly being outvoted by more populated Los Angeles who doesn’t understand our problems or share our values.

Why are violent criminals allowed to rob at will? 
Why are we releasing water farmers need into the ocean? 
Why are forests mismanaged, resulting in historic burns? 
Why are bureaucrats being allowed to destroy business & innovation? 
Why are the values of the families of the North State under assault?

The answer is we have a lack of leadership in Sacramento.

Newly redrawn Senate District 1 calls for new leadership! Unlike outgoing State Senator Brian Dahle, I have a college degree & 30+ years of real-world business experience & will bring practical solutions to Sacramento. Our region is the most beautiful! While others leave California, I visited all our counties. 60+ campaign stops. Time to elect a fighter! Will you join me in the fight to save our North State? I will not let you down.

Vote David Fennell for State Senate!

www.fennellforsenate.com

Note: Each candidate statement is printed as submitted.
Candidate Name: Megan Dahle  
Office: State Senate 1st District  
Occupation: Farmer/Businesswoman/Mother

As an Assemblywoman, I have championed the issues of the North State in Sacramento and have successfully secured tens of millions of dollars for our communities.

There is more work to be done.

California’s high cost of living is forcing families to decide between buying groceries or putting gas in their cars. By voting to suspend the state’s 54 cent/gallon gas tax, I fought to save consumers over $1,600 a year and make it less expensive for farms and manufacturers to get products to market.

Families can’t afford higher taxes and increased healthcare costs. That’s why I have repeatedly opposed efforts to raise our gas, sales, property and other taxes – while working to reduce healthcare costs.

Crime is out of control and we need criminals off our streets.

I have pushed legislation to crack down on smash-and-grab robberies, co-authored a law to more severely punish human traffickers and backed measures to more effectively prosecute fentanyl dealers.

To reduce homelessness, I’ve supported legislation that addresses mental health and addiction issues that are often a root cause.

By working to improve forestry management, properly maintain power lines and make fire insurance more affordable, I am fighting to protect homes from wildfires.

The California Professional Firefighters support my re-election. Please join them and my campaign to get California back on track.

Please visit www.votemegandahle.com to learn more about my values. I’d be honored to have your vote.

Note: Each candidate statement is printed as submitted.
I am Bill Connelly and I am honored to be your candidate for Butte County Supervisor, District 1. I am well-qualified to continue serving as your County Supervisor, thanks to my successful track record.

In my time as Supervisor, I have made significant progress on important issues like expanding highway 70, supporting our police, fire, and first responders and fighting for accountability on the relicensing of the Oroville Dam. I have not been afraid to take on big interests like the major water districts and Department of Water Resources, demonstrating my independence and courage.

Along with my over 40 years as a business owner, I am also actively involved in organizations like the Oroville Dam Oversight Committee, Sutter Butte Flood Control Board, Sacramento Valley EMS Board, Rural County Representatives of California, and the Salvation Army Board.

I bring a practical perspective to the challenges we face. I am focused on three key priorities: keeping our neighborhoods safe, making Butte County more affordable to live and do business in, and being a voice for the people.

My commitment to Butte County runs deep, and I am dedicated to using my experience to make a positive impact on our community. I respectfully ask for your support and vote on election day.
Candidate Name: Tod Kimmelshue  
Office: County Supervisor District 4  
Occupation: Family Farmer

I am Tod Kimmelshue, family farmer, retired ag finance advisor and lifelong community volunteer. My wife Sherri and I have been married for 38 years and we have two grown sons. It has been an honor serving as your County Supervisor. Thank you for putting your trust in me to keep sanity in our local county government.

The radical agenda coming out of Sacramento is threatening family budgets and our way of life in Butte County. As your County Supervisor, I am pusing back by prioritizing law enforcement and fire protection. And I am fighting for real solutions that reduce homelessness and protect taxpayers.

As the ONLY farmer on the Board of Supervisors, I work every day to ensure our agricultural industry continues to thrive and that we STOP outside interests from grabbing our water.

I am endorsed by Sheriff Kory Honea, the Butte County Farm Bureau and the Mayors of both Biggs and Gridley.

Feel free to call or email me with any questions you have about my candidacy. I can be reached at (530) 570-1076 or Tod@NutsforTod.com. I would be honored to earn your vote and continue working for you. Learn more about my campaign at www.NutsforTod.com.

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Sobre el Candidato

Candidate Name: Tod Kimmelshue
Office: County Supervisor District 4
Occupation: Agricultor Familiar

Soy Tod Kimmelshue, agricultor familiar, consejero financiero agrícola retirado y voluntario de toda la vida en la comunidad. Mi esposa Sherri y yo hemos estado casados durante 38 años y tenemos dos hijos adultos. Ha sido un honor servir como su Supervisor del Condado. Gracias por confiar en mí para preservar la cordura en nuestro gobierno local del condado.

La agenda radical que proviene de Sacramento está amenazando los presupuestos familiares y nuestra forma de vida en el Condado de Butte. Como su Supervisor del Condado, hago resistencia al dar prioridad a la aplicación de la ley y a la protección contra incendios. Y estoy luchando por soluciones reales que reduzcan el número de personas sin hogar y protejan a los contribuyentes.

Como el ÚNICO agricultor de la Junta de Supervisores, trabajo cada día para garantizar que nuestra industria agrícola siga prosperando y para IMPEDIR que los intereses externos se apropien de nuestra agua.

Tengo el apoyo del Alguacil Kory Honea, de la Oficina de Agricultura del Condado de Butte y de los Alcaldes de Biggs y Gridley.

No dude en llamarme o mandarme un correo electrónico con cualquier pregunta que tenga sobre mi candidatura. Se puede comunicar conmigo al (530) 570-1076 o en Tod@NutsforTod.com. Será un honor contar con su voto y seguir trabajando para usted. Obtenga más información sobre mi campaña en www.NutsforTod.com.

Nota: Declaraciones de casa candidato como edviado.

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Elección Primaria Presidencial, 5 de marzo de 2024
Greetings, residents of Durham, Biggs, Richvale, Gridley, Chico, and all the unincorporated areas,

I am Joanna Warrens, a Farmer, Teacher, and Mother. When I met my husband, Wade in 1994, I never imagined my journey would lead to a 42-acre walnut orchard in Durham. We Warrens, on Hanlon Rd since 1936, have faced challenges in competing with corporate agriculture but we’ve persevered.

I will advocate for families and support our community's small businesses and family farms in Butte County. Despite an almost 800-million-dollar county budget, families struggle with healthcare costs, childcare, soaring PG&E bills, and rents. The current Board of Supervisors has manipulated electoral maps and is under investigation for potential legal violations by the California Attorney General.

District 4’s most precious resource is its people. As a mother, I pledge that children will always be a priority. I will be truthful, avoid backroom dealings, safeguard groundwater for orchards and domestic wells, comprehend budgets, and fight for good government. I am honest, hardworking, and dedicated. I won't compromise your trust for personal gain. Whether you live in urban, rural, or suburban areas I will be your supervisor.

Please call me at 530-444-4620 or email joanna@joannawarrens.com https://joannawarrens.com

Gratefully,

Joanna Warrens
Candidate Name: Doug Teeter
Office: County Supervisor District 5
Occupation: Small Business Owner

It has been an honor to serve as your 5th District Butte County Supervisor. My greatest concerns have always been public safety and balanced budgets. Now more than ever, our county needs to continue spending your tax dollars wisely. I am proud to have earned Sheriff Honea's endorsement for my commitment to public safety.

As a past forest firefighter and member of the Butte County Fire Safe Council, we need to reduce our fuel loads to ensure our homes and roads are safe. Both in our heavily forested areas and the lands adjacent to our cities. I am your voice, representing rural counties, on California's Wildfire and Forest Resiliency Task Force. I believe reducing the risk of catastrophic fires is key to reversing rising insurance costs.

I will continue to advocate for policies guarding our water resources, protecting agricultural lands, improve our economy and housing affordability as well as preserve access and management of public lands. I will listen to you, work fairly and vigorously on your behalf, and represent you.

Serving the communities in and around where I grew up and am raising a family has been the most rewarding experience. I respectfully ask for your vote.

www.dougteeter.com  530-774-4678

Note: Each candidate statement is printed as submitted.
Candidate Name: Julie Threet  
Office: County Supervisor District 5  
Occupation: Community Volunteer

I moved to Chico in 2014 after retiring from a 25+ year career in Human Resources in Silicon Valley. I have a BS in Business from the University of Wyoming and had worked my way up from Analyst to Managing Vice President. My specialty was compensation, benefits, stock plans and mergers. My work was complex and global. In 2011, my husband, a member of law enforcement, lost his life. This life event prompted my need for a major change in scenery and career. My kids were grown so I packed up my two dogs, bought a house in Cal Park, and started working for my new community.

I joined Newcomers, the Elks Lodge, and Daughters of the American Revolution. I became a volunteer Patient Ambassador at Enloe Health, served as a member of the Volunteer Services Board of Directors and took medical administration classes at Butte Community College. My citizen advocacy expanded into Paradise working for Coral Apple Foundation supporting Camp Fire survivors, and I worked to get the syringe exchange program banned in Butte County. I am now a regular volunteer with 530 Food Rescue Coalition and am fighting for health freedom supporting victims of the COVID protocols.

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Local Measures
City of Chico – Resolution 08-23 Approving General Plan Amendment 22-03 Valley’s Edge Specific Plan

Shall Resolution No. 08-23 “Resolution of the City Council of the City of Chico Approving General Plan Amendment 22-03,” which approved the Valley’s Edge General Plan Amendment on January 3, 2023, providing for the strategic and planned development of the Valley’s Edge area of the City, be adopted? Yes or No

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE O**

Measure O asks whether the voters approve Resolution No. 08-23, adopted by the Chico City Council on January 3, 2023, approving General Plan Amendment No. 22-03 amending the City of Chico’s 2030 General Plan (“General Plan”) Land Use Diagram and General Plan text to reflect the adoption of the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan (“Specific Plan”)

The Specific Plan is a long-range planning tool for the conservation and development of a 1,448-acre area currently identified in the General Plan as the Doe Mill/Honey Run Special Planning Area located between the eastern terminus of East 20th Street and the intersection of Skyway at Honey Run Road. The City Council certified the Environmental Impact Report for the Specific Plan.

The Specific Plan serves as a comprehensive regulatory framework for land conservation and development consistent with the principles, goals, and policies set forth in the General Plan. The Specific Plan provides for a mixed-use community designating 751 acres for public parks, trails and recreational open spaces, and public uses; 600 acres for residential uses consisting of a range of densities from very low density to medium-high density and a broad range of residential unit types and income ranges, but not to exceed 2,777 total residential units; and 57 acres for commercial and office uses. The Specific Plan also establishes a circulation and public facilities plan along with goals and policies for development and design guidelines that establish architectural, streetscape, landscaping, and lighting standards governing the Specific Plan area.

The relevant area is currently designated as the Doe Mill/Honey Run Special Planning Area by the General Plan, which directs a broad range of housing types and densities integrated with open space and recreational areas, supporting commercial services, and public facilities. Per the General Plan policy framework, prior to development, a specific plan, planned development, or other comprehensive plan is required.

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A “yes” vote on this measure approves Resolution No. 08-23 approving an amendment to the General Plan Land Use Diagram and General Plan text to reflect the adoption of the Specific Plan.

A “no” vote on this measure disapproves Resolution No. 08-23 approving an amendment to the General Plan to reflect the adoption of the Specific Plan resulting in no amendment to the General Plan Land Use Diagram and General Plan text to reflect the Specific Plan.

This measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters.

s/ John W. Lam, Chico City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE O

AMEND CHICO’S GENERAL PLAN

Housing costs in Chico are exploding. Young families, teachers, professors, and nurses are priced out of the market. Adding more affordable single-family homes is the only way to stop the rising costs.

That’s what Measure O and Valley’s Edge will do.

If our kids and grandkids want to be able to live in Chico, where they grew up, we need homes that are affordable. Valley’s Edge is an approved area for growth that keeps locals local.

Measure O is the result of over ten years of planning by professionals, urban planners, local leaders, experts, and environmentalists. It serves as a Master Plan for Chico’s future growth, ensuring it fits Chico’s unique outdoor lifestyle.

Measure O and the Valley’s Edge community provide a family-friendly neighborhood with many home styles. Kids can ride their bikes to school. Grandparents can live near their grandchildren.

Measure O creates eight new parks and ballparks open for the community, protects 5,000 oak trees, and avoids and preserves all endangered species.

Measure O preserves prime farmland by accommodating growth to the poor soils in East Chico, where food doesn’t grow, protecting farmland and the Greenline.
City of Chico - Measure O
Arguments in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.

Chico’s Fire Chief says, “Valley’s Edge has done a remarkable job of building fire protection access into their plan.”

Measure O encourages people to live near where they work, cutting down on out-of-town commuting and trips in the car, allowing us to spend more time with family and friends.

Valley’s Edge is an example of a 20-minute neighborhood, an essential strategy for reducing reliance on cars and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Combined with an extensive network of trails for biking, area residents will rely less on their cars and more on alternative transportation, which will improve public health and help residents save money.

Please join thousands of your neighbors and vote Yes on Measure O and Valley’s Edge.

s/ Matthews D. Jackson, Retired College Administrator
s/ Valerie R. Reddemann, Chico Business Owner
s/ Thomas Snyder Lando, Retired City Manager
s/ Jolene Francis, Non-Profit Executive
s/ Tim Cooper, Youth Sports Coach

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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE O
Proponents of Valley’s Edge paint a misleading picture of an ideal community. It sounds nice but unfortunately it wouldn’t be for most of Chico’s residents.

Most housing in Valley’s Edge will be beyond the means of the ordinary Chico resident. Only about 1% of the land area is designated for housing that meets “affordable” criteria and there is no guarantee any of that will be built.

The idyllic vision of people walking and biking to work and shopping is directly contradicted by proponent’s own environmental impact report, which projects 23,000 new car trips per day onto roads that are already overcrowded and under-maintained and air quality that is compromised.

If Valley’s Edge won’t bring housing for the average Chico resident, what will it bring? More traffic, more pollution and increased costs as our tax dollars are spent on long-term maintenance of Valley’s Edge’s infrastructure. Greater risk to Chico from loss of this land as a wildfire buffer. Increased pressure on Chico’s
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groundwater and toxic run-off into Butte Creek. The only ones who will truly benefit from building Valley’s Edge are those who stand to make money from it.

Proponents talk of "preserving" oaks seems like a burglar talking about the houses he didn’t rob. The project environmental impact report indicates about 1,000 of these trees will be cut down.

We will need housing to accommodate growth but there is a better way.

Vote NO on Measures O.

s/ Tami Ritter, Butte County Supervisor D3 – Butte County
s/ Marcia Moore, Retired Cardiologist
s/ Andy Holcombe, Former Chico Mayor & Retired Attorney
s/ Eric Nilsson, Retired Principal – Inspire School of Arts & Science
s/ Joe Wills, Retired Administrator – CSU, Chico

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE O

Valley’s Edge would be one of the largest development projects in the history of Chico – virtually the same size as Gridley by acreage and population in Chico’s eastern foothills.

Chico needs affordable housing, not housing for those of above average income proposed by Valley’s Edge. Land exists within Chico’s urban footprint to create the badly needed affordable housing.

Valley’s Edge will greatly increase Chico’s traffic problems, adding thousands of vehicle trips each day to over-burdened and under maintained roads, Traffic congestion will increase. Maintenance of Chico’s infrastructure needs to take priority over sprawl development. Our roads desperately need repair.

Chico faces fire danger. The property burned three times in the past 19 years, and backfires were set on it to protect Chico during the Camp Fire. We need this buffer.

Chico is threatened by groundwater depletion. This mega development means increased usage on our groundwater basin that has been determined to be in overdraft.

Climate change is a real threat. The addition of tens of thousands of trips PER DAY would add pollution to our air and greatly increase greenhouse
gas emissions making it impossible to meet climate and sustainability goals.

This land contains precious vernal pools, endangered species, unique mima mounds, and slow-growing blue oaks—about 1000 of which are planned to be cut down. We need to preserve our open space.

Chico’s General Plan specifies growth in a “compact urban form” with mixed-use housing, walkable wide sidewalks, and multi-modal transit. Valley’s Edge is none of that.

Sprawl puts increased stress on existing public services, and taxes and fees will not cover needed additional services, like fire and police. Sprawl never pays for itself. Protect the things we love about Chico.

VOTE NO

s/ Jennifer Jewell, Author, Creator, Host of NSPR Program & Syndicated Podcast
s/ Steve O’Bryan, Owner Pullins Cyclery & Former Planning Commissioner
s/ Andy Holcombe, Retired Attorney & Former Mayor of Chico
s/ Dave Nopel, Author & Local Historian
s/ Eric Nilsson, Retired Principal – Inspire School of Arts & Science

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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE O

Measure O (Valley’s Edge) is the opposite of sprawl. Valley’s Edge is an award-winning master plan — it’s smart growth.

As a group of long-time Chico leaders and planners, we’ve examined Measure O from every angle and agree it’s the best plan for sustainable growth, providing much-needed housing for every budget (estimated to start under $300,000) while preserving coveted open space.

Measure O offers the residents of Chico a comprehensive and forward-thinking approach to address Chico’s critical need for affordable housing.

A YES on Measure O provides a variety of homes to choose from, helps sustain public services, and improves local infrastructure. Measure O generates over $200 million annually for Chico’s local economy — and $80+ million for road repair or hiring more firefighters.

Measure O will ensure Chico is a safer and more fire-resilient community.
Measure O is smart growth. Valley’s Edge embraces environmentally conscious practices, promoting a healthier, greener future.

Measure O protects Chico’s prime farmlands from development.

By voting for Measure O, we’ll help keep locals local, and generations connected.

Valley’s Edge provides recreational spaces and promotes community. Parks and open spaces contribute to physical and mental health, places for families to gather, children to play, and individuals to connect with nature.

By voting YES for Measure O, you are shaping our community that thrives and evolves to meet the needs of both present and future generations.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure O.

s/ Matthews D. Jackson, Retired College Administrator
s/ Valerie R. Reddemann, Chico Business Owner
s/ Thomas Snyder Lando, Retired City Manager
s/ Jolene Francis, Non-Profit Executive
s/ Tim Cooper, Youth Sports Coach

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**FULL TEXT MEASURE O**

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City of Chico – Resolution 09-23 Approving Valley’s Edge Specific Plan

Shall Resolution No. 09-23 "Resolution of the City Council of the City of Chico Adopting the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan (SP 19-01)," which adopted the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan on January 3, 2023, providing for the strategic and planned development of the Valley’s Edge area of the City, be adopted? Yes or No

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE P

Measure P asks whether the voters approve Resolution No. 09-23, adopted by the Chico City Council on January 3, 2023, adopting the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan (the “Specific Plan”). The Specific Plan is a long-range planning tool for the conservation and development of a 1,448-acre area currently identified in the City of Chico 2030 General Plan ("General Plan") as the Doe Mill/Honey Run Special Planning Area located between the eastern terminus of East 20th Street and the intersection of Skyway at Honey Run Road. The City Council certified the Environmental Impact Report for the Specific Plan.

The Specific Plan serves as a comprehensive regulatory framework for land conservation and development consistent with principles, goals, and policies set forth in the General Plan. The Specific Plan provides for a mixed-use community designating 751 acres for public parks, trails and recreational open spaces, and public uses; 600 acres for residential uses consisting of a range of densities from very low density to medium-high density and a broad range of residential unit types and income ranges, but not to exceed 2,777 total residential units; and 57 acres for commercial and office uses. In addition, the Specific Plan establishes a circulation and public facilities plan along with goals and policies for development and design guidelines that establish architectural, streetscape, landscaping, and lighting standards governing the Specific Plan area.

The relevant area is currently designated as the Doe Mill/Honey Run Special Planning Area by the General Plan, which directs a broad range of housing types and densities integrated with open space and recreational areas, supporting commercial services, and public facilities. Per the General Plan policy framework, prior to development, a specific plan, planned development, or other comprehensive plan is required.

A “yes” vote on this measure approves Resolution No. 09-23 adopting the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan thereby creating a comprehensive regulatory
framework for land conservation and development of the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan area consistent with the General Plan.

A “no” vote on this measure disapproves Resolution No. 09-23 adopting the Valley’s Edge Specific Plan and the Doe Mill/Honey Run Special Planning Area will be without a comprehensive regulatory framework.

This measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters.

S/ John W. Lam, Chico City Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P
APPROVAL OF VESP

Yes on Measure P and Valley’s Edge. Where every budget finds a home.

Chico’s housing crisis hurts our kids and grandkids the most.

Chico needs more affordable homes, so locals are not priced out of the Chico market. If we want our kids and grandkids to be able to live in Chico, where they grew up, we need homes that are affordable.

Valley’s Edge is an approved area for growth in Chico that keeps locals local.

Measure P allows families to live and stay in Chico. Kids can go to school with their friends and parents can have short drives (or bike/walk) to work. Valley’s Edge is climate smart, and SMART growth, including walkable neighborhoods, preservation of open space, and mixed commercial and residential use.

Measure P provides a variety of affordable homes for first-time home buyers, growing families, retirees, and empty nesters.

Valley’s Edge is the opposite of sprawl.

Measure P protects prime farmland by directing housing into areas designated to accommodate Chico’s gradual growth. Yes on Measure P protects the Greenline, ensuring farmland stays off limits to development.

By voting Yes on Measure P you help generate more than $82 million in revenue for services such as local roads, public safety, and emergency services. Services everyone throughout Chico will enjoy.
Wildfire prevention experts, firefighters, and Chico’s past and present fire chiefs agree, Valley’s Edge is Firewise and reduces Chico’s exposure to wildfires. Chico will be safer from the threat of wildfire after Valley’s Edge is built.

Valley’s Edge represents the most significant commitment to conservation, recreation, jobs, and housing in Chico’s 150-year history. With its massive commitment to parks, public open space, and recreation, Yes on Measure P fits right into Chico’s unique outdoor culture and heritage.

Please join thousands of Chico’s neighbors and friends in voting Yes on Measure P.

s/ Matthew D. Jackson, Retired College Administration  
s/ Valerie R. Reddemann, Chico Business Owner  
s/ Thomas Snyder Lando, Retired City Manager  
s/ Jolene Francis, Non-Profit Executive  
s/ Tim Cooper, Youth Sports Coach

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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

The Valley’s Edge development is not “smart.” It is “sprawl,” the kind of outdated 20th-century urban sprawl that leads to increased traffic congestion, decreased air quality, depleted groundwater, increased vulnerability to wildfire and significant loss of open space and slow-growth trees.

Voting NO on Valley’s Edge is embracing an authentic vision of “smart growth,” the kind of housing growth that carefully considers all of Chico’s residents and their needs in the future. Smart growth, built near the core of Chico, uses existing city infrastructure for efficient use of our tax dollars. Sprawl means adding a 1448-acre development to Chico the size of Gridley.

Smart growth means planning for the inclusion of biking, walking and public transportation to provide convenient accessibility to services for Chico citizens who live in a variety of mixed-use housing.

Smart growth creates connection of Chico citizens to each other, connections that enhance business, education and community. In contrast, sprawl developments like Valley’s Edge push people to the edges creating greater distance from services and greater dependence on the automobile.

Voting NO on Valley’s Edge means choosing a new vision for Chico’s housing that is an affordable alternative for young and older people and is sustainable, safe,
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and ensures keeping the natural beauty and open space Chico citizens love and want to preserve for future generations.

Voting NO on Valley's Edge means choosing a better quality of life for all of Chico's citizens.

s/ Tami Ritter, Butte County Supervisor D3 – Butte County
s/ Andy Holcombe, Former Chico Mayor & Retired Attorney
s/ Bryce Goldstein, Former Chico Planning Commissioner
s/ Eric Nilsson, Retired Principal – Inspire School of Arts & Science
s/ Steven O'Bryan, Owner Pullins Cyclery & Former Planning Commissions

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

The Valley’s Edge Specific Plan and the associated General Plan amendment are all one package. The reasons for voting NO have been clearly stated in our Argument against the previous measure. As believers in simplicity and opponents of waste, we will respect your time by not trying to bury you in more words.

Please stand with the hundreds of volunteers who circulated petitions and the thousands of Chico voters who signed them and Vote NO on BOTH measures.

s/ Eric Nilsson, Retired Principal – Inspire School of Arts & Science
s/ Steven O’Bryan, Owner Pullins Cyclery & Former Planning Commissions

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

Everyone agrees that Chico has a housing crisis. Every day, locals are forced to move outside Chico, away from work and school, increasing commutes and decreasing time with family.

Yes on Measure P (Valley’s Edge) helps solve that crisis.

A small group of opponents are spreading false rumors and misstatements. The award-winning Valley’s Edge master plan is the opposite of sprawl. It is an approved area for Chico to grow and is designed on smart growth principles and sustainability.

There are no farmlands at Valley’s Edge. It’s lava rock – where food can’t grow.
With a YES on Measure P, home prices are estimated to start under $300,000. There will be a home for every budget at Valley’s Edge. Chico’s first-time home buyers, growing families, empty nesters, and retirees will find a place to call home.

Chico’s Fire Chief says Chico will be SAFER from the threat of wildfire AFTER Valley’s Edge is built.

A YES on Measure P gifts a 420-acre regional park (the largest in over a century) managed by a local agency and 100% open to the public.

Measure P protects 5,000 oak trees at Valley’s Edge. Another 6,000 trees will be planted. No endangered species will be affected.

Measure P strengthens our economy bringing in $200 million annually to the local economy and creating over 1,200 local jobs.

Measure P and Valley’s Edge preserve Chico’s unique heritage. Please join us in supporting more housing choices in Chico and vote YES on Measure P.

s/ Valerie R. Reddemann, Chico Business Owner
s/ Thomas Snyder Lando, Retired City Manager
s/ Jolene Francis, Non-Profit Executive
s/ Tim Cooper, Youth Sports Coach

FULL TEXT MEASURE P

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Marysville Joint Unified School District Bond Measure

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Marysville Joint Unified School District School Safety, Renovation and Construction Measure

To construct a new middle school to reduce student overcrowding, replace temporary portables, upgrade P.E. and arts facilities, renovate/repair classrooms, restrooms and roofs, and improve school safety, shall the Marysville Joint Unified School District measure authorizing $97,000,000 in bonds, at legal rates, and levying approximately $49 per $100,000 of assessed valuation (raising $5.8 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, be adopted, with annual audits, independent citizens' oversight, NO money for administrator salaries and all money spent locally? Bond - YES or Bond - NO

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE S

Voter approval of Measure S would authorize the Marysville Joint Unified School District (the “District”) to issue and sell new general obligation bonds in the principal amount not to exceed ninety-seven million dollars ($97,000,000) for the purpose of raising money to fund the completion of projects that fall within the scope of the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities (the “Scope”).

The District Board of Trustees (the “Board”) has compiled a nonexclusive Bond Project List of the types of projects that fall within the Scope and are authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. The Board will establish an independent citizens’ oversight committee that will conduct annual, independent performance and financial audits to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only on types of projects that fall within the Scope.

Upon voter approval, the principal and interest on the bonds will be paid by tax levies made upon the assessed value of taxable property in the District. The tax will be levied at an estimated, average annual tax rate of $45.00 per $100,000 of assessed value (4.5 cents per $100 of assessed value) in fiscal year 2024 – 2025. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2059 – 2060.

The Board adopted a resolution to place Measure S on the ballot for all registered voters who are residents of the District to vote upon the measure. Measure S will be passed if approved by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting on the measure.

s/ Amy Carlson, Deputy County Counsel – Yuba County Counsel

04-030524-32

Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S
Marysville Joint Unified School District

More homes are being built in Yuba County and with almost 70% of students in MJUSD schools, your Yes vote on Measure S will accommodate our growing student population. Our schools are old, our classrooms are running out of space, and our schools are running out of classrooms. Our facilities must be upgraded and new classrooms and schools built to meet this growing need. Measure S would allow the District to build classrooms, a new school, gyms and performing arts facilities for our children.

Schools are the most important asset in our community and students should be our top priority. Schools are where students learn, grow, and thrive. Quality schools improve neighborhood safety, property values, and serve as a local hub for everyone. We were all children once and it is the cumulative responsibility of the community to provide a learning environment that prepares all children for their future success.

If passed, Measure S will provide funding to make critical facility improvements to Marysville schools including, constructing a new middle school to help reduce student over-crowding, modernizing/constructing and renovating classrooms, restrooms and arts facilities, renovating and expanding Career Technical Education, gymnasiums and labs, upgrading inadequate electrical systems and safety measures, repairing or replacing leaky roofs.

Measure S makes financial sense and protects taxpayers. By law, spending must be reviewed and annually audited by an independent citizens' oversight committee. All bond funds must be spent locally and cannot be taken by the State. Funds are required to be spent only on construction and maintenance of our school facilities, not for administrator or teacher salaries.

Measure S constructs, upgrades, and renovates classrooms, restrooms and other school facilities. Supporting our students is something we can all get behind, after all...at MJUSD we are growing tomorrow’s leaders! Please vote Yes on Measure S!

s/ John Nicoletti
s/ Mary Jane Griego
s/ Stuart Gilchrist
s/ Kevin Xiong, Hmong American Assoc.

04-030524-33  Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024
MARYSVILLE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE
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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S

The most important aspect of a learning environment is the teacher in the classroom and the parents, as teachers at home, who send students ready to learn. Students deserve safe, well maintained schools to succeed; not state-of-the-art design fads! According to the district Facility Master Plan”, August 2022 “MJUSD has sufficient total capacity across the District to accommodate its current and projected enrollment levels...”

Some schools may be older, but all have gone through multiple updates and serve their communities well. Every classroom in the district is networked to the internet with computers. There are no children in log cabin schools studying by firelight. Ongoing maintenance is a district responsibility in its $178,000,00 budget!

Measure S does not mandate critical facility needs be met! It clearly states that listed projects are not guaranteed completion “(regardless of whether bond funds are available).” If your school isn’t on someone’s favorites list, so sorry. Vote No!

Measure S makes no financial sense for families struggling to make ends meet! MJUSD can fund improvements without bonds. The “MJUSD Facilities Update “lists $63,000,00 in new Projects to be completed by 2025 funded by other sources!

Forget a new middle school, more years away. (... a day late and a dollar short.) Save $60,000,00! Convert existing unused elementary space to K-6 or K-8, now! Boost student success:

https://tinyurl.com/5n6bw3ku
https://tinyurl.com/yz5u59es

This retired MJUSD teacher says, Times are tough enough!

Stop higher property taxes and rents!

Vote No in Measure S!

s/ Edward Nemanic

04-030524-34  Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024
ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE S

The last thing Yuba County taxpayers need is a $97,000,000 bond issue to raise taxes! Inflation alone is increasing our cost of living nearly 4% every year! Families are struggling to make ends meet!

At $178,000,000, Marysville Joint Unified School District needs to live within its means, like the rest of us! Why has MJUSD run a deficit budget for the last two years?

Raising property taxes burdens everyone! Not just land owners, but renters, too.

This measure ensures ongoing tax hikes! As bond interest rises, so will your taxes. Beware! Your vote also gives approval for MJUSD to seek bypassing current state bond lending limits! See section “Bonds may be Issued in Excess of Statutory Bonding Limit.”

Bond listed projects are not prioritized or guaranteed to be funded! The list categories are Construct Middle School and District Wide (everything else but the kitchen sink). No distinction is made between needs and wants. It should be called your district wish list, and cross your fingers on who decides, because it’s not you. See section “Bond Project List.”

Throwing more money at education is not a quick fix. California outsends Florida by $4000 per child K-12, yet Florida ranks #1 and California ranks #20. A majority of MJUSD students do not meet state standards. Fixing our schools is really about values that begin in the home, and not new brick and mortar school buildings.

Will a new middle school be built? In 2008 MJUSD closed Alicia promising a new school and started overcrowding Yuba Gardens. It’s 15 years later, after multiple bond measures. So, don’t count your chickens when the district starts clucking!

The school board vote wasn’t unanimous! Another “No” would have killed this painful tax measure. Now isn’t the time!

Vote No on Measure S.

s/ Edward Nemanic

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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE S

Quality schools are key to providing an excellent education, preserving property
values, and maintaining our great community. Our local issues must be solved with our local community.

Measure S is a carefully considered, affordable plan that will allow the District to continue providing a quality education and the best learning environment for Marysville students.

Consider the facts, and vote Yes on Measure S. It is locally controlled, and every dollar stays here, benefitting our local schools, children, and property values.

If successful, Measure S will build a new middle school to reduce student overcrowding. No other source of funding exists to construct/upgrade our schools. Measure S provides funding to construct new classrooms, renovate leaky roofs and infrastructure including plumbing, HVAC, electrical, and for safety and security improvements. Recent studies show that test scores increase significantly when students and teachers work in a clean and safe environment.

Measure S makes financial sense and has strict accountability. An independent citizens' oversight committee of local residents must annually audit and review spending by law.

Many of our most respected community members support Measure S. Let’s trust them and understand that we must come together to build a school and additional classroom. We can either pay an average of $11.00 a month for a Big Mac meal per family or we can invest $11.00 for the betterment of our students.

Don’t be misled! Study the facts and vote “Yes on S” for quality Marysville schools. Your vote is a Yes for Schools and for Students!

s/ John Nicoletti
s/ Mary Jane Griego

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FULL TEXT MEASURE S
MARYSVILLE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL SAFETY, RENOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION MEASURE
This proposition may be known and referred to as the “Marysville Joint Unified School District School Safety, Renovation and Construction Measure” or as “Measure S”.

BOND AUTHORIZATION
By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the voters of the Marysville
Joint Unified School District (the “District”) voting on the proposition, the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to $97,000,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed under the heading entitled “BOND PROJECT LIST” below (the “Bond Project List”), and qualify to receive State of California matching grant funds, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

**ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS**

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific school facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIa, Section 1(b)(3) of the Constitution of the State of California (the “California Constitution”), and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Sections 15264 and following of the California Education Code).

**Evaluation of Needs.** The Board of Trustees of the District (the “Board”) has evaluated the facilities needs of the District in order to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. In order to address the facilities needs of the District, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to fund the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

**Limitations on Use of Bonds.** Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. More specifically, the Bond Project List provides for the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition and such proceeds shall be applied only to those specific purposes.

**Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee.** In accordance with and pursuant to California Education Code Section 15278 et seq., the Board shall establish an independent citizens’ oversight committee, within 60 days of the date that the Board enters the election results on its minutes pursuant to Section 15274 of the California Education Code, to ensure that (a) bond revenues are expended only for the purposes specified in Article XIIIa, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and (b) that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative
salaries or other school operating expenses. In accordance with Section 15282 of the California Education Code, the citizens’ oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members and shall include a member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, a member active in a senior citizens’ organization, a member active in a bona fide taxpayers’ organization, a member that is a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and a member that is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the citizens’ oversight committee.

**Annual Performance Audits.** In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

**Annual Financial Audits.** In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(D) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for financial audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

**Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board.** In compliance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 53410 and following, upon approval of this proposition and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be deposited. In compliance with
the requirements of California Government Code Section 53411, as long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the chief fiscal officer of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board at least once a year, stating (a) the amount of funds collected and expended in that year, and (b) the status of any project required or authorized to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the chief fiscal officer of the District shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

**FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS**

**Single Purpose.** All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to California Education Code Section 15100, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to California Government Code Section 53410.

**Bonds may be Issued in Excess of Statutory Bonding Limit.** Issuance of all of the authorized bonds might require the outstanding debt of the District to exceed its statutory bonding limit (currently 2.50% of the total assessed valuation of taxable property in the District). In that event, the District intends to seek a waiver of its bonding limit from the State Board of Education, which has the power to waive certain requirements of the California Education Code applicable to the District. By approval of this proposition, the voters have authorized the District to seek such a waiver, and to issue authorized bonds in excess of the District’s statutory bonding limit as the State Board of Education may approve. No such waiver has yet been sought or granted.

**Other Terms of the Bonds.** When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest shall be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than the statutory maximum number of years from the date borne by that bond.

**BOND PROJECT LIST**
The Bond Project List below lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of this bond proposition and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond proposition. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school or school facility site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on
the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. In so far as permitted by law, each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, construction-related costs, such as project and construction management, architectural, engineering, inspection and similar planning and testing costs, demolition and interim housing costs, legal, accounting and similar fees, costs related to the independent annual financial and performance audits, a contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs, and other costs incidental to or necessary for completion of the listed projects (whether the related work is performed by the District or third parties). The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. In addition, certain project funds expected from non-local bond sources, including State of California grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Therefore, the Board cannot guarantee that the bond proceeds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Alternatively, if the District obtains unexpected funds from non-local bond sources with respect to listed projects, such projects may be enhanced, supplemented or expanded to the extent of such funds. Some projects may be subject to further government approvals, including by State officials and boards and/or local environmental or agency approval. Inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be completed (regardless of whether bond funds are available).

The specific projects authorized to be financed with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition are as follows:

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<td>Acquisition and construction of a middle school and related facilities, designed to meet student housing needs and reduce student overcrowding, including:</td>
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<td>• Acquisition of land and any rights-of-way and easements made necessary by construction of such facilities.</td>
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<td>The following projects are authorized to be financed at all District school facilities sites (unless specified):</td>
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<td>• Construct/renovate gymnasiums at Foothill and Lindhurst High Schools.</td>
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Marysville Joint Unified School District Bond Measure

Arguments in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.

- Renovate historic auditorium/performing arts center at Marysville High School.
- Replace outdated temporary portable classrooms with permanent classrooms.
- Upgrade physical education/athletic fields and facilities.
- Make health, safety and accessibility improvements.
- Renovate and expand Career Technical Education classrooms and labs.
- Upgrade and/or acquire and install fire alarm, emergency exit lighting and security systems.
- Modernize, renovate, repair, expand and/or upgrade the interior and/or exterior of existing classrooms and school facilities, including doors, windows, flooring, casework, cabinets, walls, painting, signage, fencing and railings.
- Repair or replace roofs.
- Upgrade electrical systems.
- Modernize classrooms to meet 21st century teaching and learning standards and renovate, construct and modernize restrooms and school facilities.
- Replace and/or acquire and install heating, ventilation and cooling (HVAC) systems.
- Repair/replace plumbing systems, including drainage, irrigation and sewer systems.
- Update and/or acquire and install technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure, including computers, tablets, mobile devices, software, interactive educational technology, digital projectors and cameras, monitors, audio systems, video systems, network equipment (including servers, network interface devices, network switches and routers, wireless network equipment, firewalls, network security equipment, racking, power and cooling equipment, wiring and uninterruptible power supplies), etc; rehabilitate and replace such equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as needed in the future. Technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure includes existing technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure as well as technology equipment, fixtures and infrastructure developed in the future.
- Make energy-efficiency upgrades, including “green” building projects and sustainable building improvements to promote energy-efficiency (e.g., windows, lighting, electrical systems panel, HVAC etc.).
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved and other surfaces and grounds, including parking, turf, and other surface areas to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas.
- Remove, repair, and refinish building and site areas damaged by dry rot, water, termites, etc.
- Make improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act, and handicapped access requirements.
MISCELLANEOUS

All listed bond projects include the following as needed:

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- Seismic and historical evaluations, site surveys (including topographic, geological and utility surveys), and infrastructure analyses.
- Necessary onsite and offsite preparation or restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable buildings or other temporary buildings, including demolition of structures; removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines (gas, water, sewer, electrical, data and voice, etc.), trees and landscaping; and relocating fire access roads or ingress/egress pathways.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Acquire or construct other improvements required to comply with building codes, including seismic safety requirements, the Field Act, and access requirements.
- Acquisition of any rights-of-way, easements, licenses and/or real property made necessary by listed bond projects, or lease of real property made necessary by the listed bond projects.
- Acquire or construct storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel.
- Furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary or incidental to the listed bond projects.

PROJECTS INVOLVING RENOVATION, REHABILITATION OR REPAIR

For any project involving renovation, rehabilitation or repair of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition) if the Board of Trustees determines that replacement new construction is more practical than renovation, rehabilitation or repair, considering the building’s age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Interpretation. The terms of this bond proposition and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 et seq. and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond, or have an effect on, and shall be interpreted to only permit, what is authorized under Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 et seq. and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. In this regard, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs. The school facilities projects on the Bond Project List only authorize capital expenditures.

Estimated Ballot Information. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond proposition concur, that the information included in the statement of the bond proposition to be voted on pursuant to Section 13119 of the California Elections Code is based upon the District’s projections and estimates only and is not binding upon the District. The amount of money to be raised annually and the rate and duration of the tax to be levied for the bonds 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 District based on need for project funds and other factors. 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 District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Headings. The headings or titles of the sections of the bond proposition,
including any headings or titles included in the Bond Project List, are solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of the bond proposition.

Severability. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond proposition concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this bond proposition by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond proposition are severable.

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TAX INFORMATION STATEMENT MEASURE S

An election will be held in the Marysville Joint Unified School District (the "District") on March 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to $97,000,000 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the proposition. If the bond proposition is approved by at least 55% of the voters of the District voting on the bond proposition, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9405 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is $45.00 per $100,000 (4.5 cents per $100) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax to be levied to fund this bond issue is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2059-60.

2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that 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 $49.00 per $100,000 (4.9 cents per $100) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2024-25.

3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is approximately $208,200,000.

04-030524-44          Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024
Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value, which could be more or less than the assessed value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors 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 District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The average annual tax rate, the highest tax rate, the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected and the year or years in which they will apply, and the actual total debt service, may vary from those presently estimated for a variety of reasons, including, without limitation, due to variations in the timing of bond sales, the amount or amortization of bonds sold, market conditions 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 or amortization of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% affirmative vote. Market conditions, including, without limitation, interest rates, are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the District and 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 District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. The growth or decline in assessed valuation is the result of a number of economic and other factors outside the control of the District.

Dated: November 14, 2023

s/ Fal Arani, Ed. D., Superintendent - Marysville Joint Unified School District
Language Assistance

Help is available for voters who need election materials to be translated or who need interpretation services at a Voter Assistance Center.

**Translated Copies of the Ballot**

Translated copies of the ballot (also known as “facsimile ballots”) are available in the following languages:

- **Hmong** Hmoob
- **Spanish** Español

Translated facsimile ballots are to be used as a reference when voting on an official ballot.

**Language Assistance for Vote-by-Mail Voters**

You may download a translated copy of the ballot at:  
[www.ButteVotes.net/325/Language-Services](http://www.ButteVotes.net/325/Language-Services)

You may request a translated copy of the ballot by:

- Calling our Elections Division at (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or toll-free within the county at (800) 894-7761
- Emailing your request to:  
  elections@buttecounty.net

**Language Assistance for In-Person Voters**

All Voter Assistance Centers and the Butte County Elections Office will have translated copies of the ballot available for reference.

Telephone interpreter services are available at all Voter Assistance Centers.

If you need interpretation in a signed language, such as American Sign Language, please contact the Butte County Elections Office.

Any voter may bring up to two people into the booth to help them vote, as long as those assistants are not representatives of the voter’s employer or labor union. Bring a family member or friend!
Ayuda estará disponible para los votantes que necesitan traducir materiales electorales o que necesitan servicios de interpretación en un Centro de Asistencia al Votante.

**Copias traducidas de la boleta electoral**
Las copias traducidas de la boleta (también conocidas como "boletas de facsímil") están disponibles en los siguientes idiomas:

- **Hmong** Hmoob
- **Spanish** Español

Las boletas de facsímil traducidas deben utilizarse como referencia cuando se vote en una boleta oficial.

**Asistencia lingüística para los votantes que votan por correo**
Puede descargar una copia traducida de la boleta en: [www.ButteVotes.net/323/Language-Services](http://www.ButteVotes.net/323/Language-Services)

Puede solicitar una copia traducida de la boleta de las siguientes maneras:
- Llamando a nuestra División de Elecciones al (530) 552-3400 Opción 1 o al número gratuito dentro del condado al (800) 894-7761
- Enviando su solicitud por correo electrónico a: elections@buttecounty.net

**Asistencia lingüística para votantes en persona**
Todos los Centros de Asistencia al Votante y la Oficina de Elecciones del Condado de Butte tendrán copias traducidas de la boleta disponibles como referencia.

Los servicios de intérprete telefónico están disponibles en todos los Centros de Asistencia al Votante.

Si necesita interpretación en un lenguaje de señas, como el lenguaje de señas estadounidense, comuníquese con la Oficina de Elecciones del Condado de Butte.

Cualquier votante puede llevar hasta dos personas a la cabina para ayudarlos a votar, siempre y cuando esos asistentes no sean representantes del empleador o sindicato del votante. ¡Traiga a un familiar o amigo!
Kev Pab Txhais Lus

Kev pab muaj rau cov neeg pov npav xaiv tsa uas xav tau cov ntaub ntawv muab txhais lus los sis xav tau kev pab txhais lus nyob ntawm cov Chaw Pabcuam Pov Npav.

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Daim qauv ntawv xaiv tsa tsuas yog siv los pab koj thaum koj yuav pov npav rau daim ntawv pov npav xaiv tsa raws cai xwb.

Kev Pab Txhais Lus rau Cov Neeg Pov Npav Los Ntawm Kev Xa Ntawv
Koj tuaj yeem rub tawm ib daim qauv ntawv xaiv tsa txhais lus nyob rau ntawm no:

www.ButteVotes.net/323/Language-Services

Koj tuaj yeem thov tau ib daim qauv ntawv xaiv tsa txhais lus ntawm cov kev xaiv hauv qab no:

- Hu rau peb lub Chaw Haujlwm Saib Xyuas Kev Xaiv Tsa tus xov tooj (530) 552-3400 xaiv 1 los sis hauv lub cheeb nroog tus xov tooj (800) 894-7761
- Xa koj qhov kev thov tuaj rau: elections@buttecounty.net

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Kev pab txhais lus hauv xov tooj yuav muaj nyob rau txhua lub Chaw Pabcuam Pov Npav.

Yog tias koj xav tau kev pab txhais lus rau hom lus piav tes, xws li American Sign Language, thov hu rau peb lub Chaw Haujlwm Saib Xyuas Kev Xaiv Tsa.

Txhua tus neeg pov npav tuaj yeem koj tau ob tus neeg nroog nws mus rau haub lub chav mus pab nws xaiv tsa, tsuav kom cov pab cuam no tsis yog tus sawv cev ntawm tus neeg pov npav tus tsyw ntiav los sis lub koomhaum ua haujlwm. Coj koj tsev neeg los sis phooj ywg tuaj!

04-030524-48   Kev Xaiv Tsa Tus ThawjTswj Hwm Tebachaws Meskas – Lub 3 hls ntuj tim 5 xyo 2024
Each Voter Assistance Center offers accessible services for voters with disabilities.

**VOTE IN PERSON - ACCESSIBLE BALLOT MARKING DEVICE (ICX)**
The county has an accessible ballot marking device with audio that reads the ballot to you, a universal plug for personal assistive devices, touchscreen voting, and large print. Each Voter Assistance Center is equipped with three accessible ballot marking devices and has staff on hand to assist if needed.

**NEED A RIDE TO VOTE IN PERSON?**
If you cannot safely travel to a voter assistance center, you may contact one of the following agencies to assist you:

- **Disability Action Center (DAC)** - Call prior to Election Day to make an appointment. By phone at (530) 893-8527 or (800) 464-8527. Online, [http://www.actionctr.org](http://www.actionctr.org)

- **Butte County B-Line Transit** - Bus transportation assistance is available to voters through the Dial-A-Ride and Paratransit programs. It can take up to 21 days to process your request, contact B-Line Transit immediately at 530-809-4616, or online at [http://blinetransit.com/paratransit](http://blinetransit.com/paratransit)

- **Disability Rights California** - This organization operates a statewide Election Day Hotline for voters having difficulty voting because of a disability. Contact Disability Rights California at (888) 569-7955, or online at [http://disabilityrightsca.org](http://disabilityrightsca.org)

**UNABLE TO GO INSIDE TO VOTE – REQUEST CURBSIDE VOTING**
If you are unable to go inside a Voter Assistance Center, you may vote a paper ballot from your car. To request curbside voting assistance, you can have an assistant make the request inside any Voter Assistance Center or call in advance at (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or (800) 894-7761 within Butte County.

**UNABLE TO VOTE IN PERSON - REMOTE ACCESSIBLE VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT**
Any voter can request to have their ballot sent to them electronically. To use this service, return the postage paid postcard in your packet or call (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or (800) 894-7761 within Butte County. Please note a printer is required to utilize this service.
The Remote Accessible Vote-by-Mail (RAVBM) system delivers ballots to voters electronically. **RAVBM is not internet voting!** The system was created as a tool to allow voters with disabilities who prefer or need to vote from home the option to read and mark their ballot with more privacy and independence. Under Assembly Bill 37 (2021), any active registered voter may now use the RAVBM system.

**HOW DOES RAVBM WORK?**

Voters may access and mark a ballot in a screen-readable format from any computer with internet access. The marked ballots must be printed by the voter and returned by the deadline, like any other vote-by-mail ballot. RAVBM ballots are not accepted via email or fax.

To ensure the privacy of each voter’s selections, the RAVBM system does not store or transmit the voter’s choices over the internet.

**HOW CAN I VOTE USING THE RAVBM SYSTEM?**

1. **Request an RAVBM ballot** - contact Butte County Elections at (530) 552-3400 Option 1 or by email at elections@buttecounty.net

2. **Mark your ballot** - click on the RAVBM access link that was emailed to you. Enter your personal information to verify your eligibility. Review and mark the ballot on your computer, using your assistive technology, if needed. Then, click the “Continue” button to display your ballot. Download the return package with the ballot return instructions and documents.

3. **Review and print your ballot** - check your selections and make corrections, if needed. Print your ballot.

4. **Sign the ballot return envelope or Sign Oath of Voter Form. Insert and Seal** - if you have the county-issued return identification envelope, put your RAVBM ballot in the official envelope you received by mail. You must sign this envelope for your ballot to be counted. Voters who cannot sign their name may make a “mark” and have it witnessed by another person who also prints the voter’s name. If you did not receive an envelope, follow the instructions in the return package you downloaded from the RAVBM system. You must sign and return the RAVBM Oath of Voter with your ballot to verify your identity and signature if you use your own envelope.

5. **Return your ballot** –

   - By mail – Your envelope has pre-paid postage!
   - At any Secure Ballot Drop Box.
   - At any Voter Assistance Center.
Ballot Drop Box Locations

You may drop your ballot off at ANY Secure Ballot Drop Box throughout the county.

After making your ballot selections, it’s as easy as 1-2-3:
1. Place your ballot in the peach return envelope provided to you.
2. Sign the envelope on the signature line under the secrecy flap.
3. Seal and drop off in a Secure Ballot Drop Box of your choosing.

Secure Ballot Drop Box Availability:
February 5th thru March 5th – 24 Hours a Day
March 5th, Election Day – Closes at 8pm

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Note: Ballot Drop Box Locations and/or times of availability are subject to change.
You can drop off your voted ballot, get a replacement ballot, get assistance with your ballot, update your voter registration or vote in person at **ANY** Voter Assistance Center.

| **11 - Day Voter Assistance Centers** |  |
| **Hours of Operation:** |  |
| **February 24th thru March 4th - 9am to 5pm** |  |
| **March 5th, Election Day - 7am to 8pm** |  |
| Oroville |  |
| Hall of Records | 155 Nelson Avenue |  |
| Chico |  |
| Chico Masonic Family Center | 1110 W. East Avenue |  |
| Paradise |  |
| Paradise Veterans Memorial Hall | 6550 Skyway Road |  |

| **4 - Day Voter Assistance Centers** |  |
| **Hours of Operation:** |  |
| **March 2nd thru March 4th - 9am to 5pm** |  |
| **March 5th, Election Day - 7am to 8pm** |  |
| Chico |  |
| Chico First Baptist Church | 850 Palmetto Avenue |  |
| Chico State BMU (Second Floor – Rm. 203) | W. 2nd & Chestnut Street |  |
| Elks Lodge | 1705 Manzanita Avenue |  |
| Sol Mexican Grill (Luna Room) | 3269 Esplanade |  |
| Silver Dollar Fairgrounds | 2357 Fair Street |  |
| Durham |  |
| Durham Veterans Memorial Hall | 9319 Midway |  |
| Gridley |  |
| Butte County Fairgrounds | 199 E. Hazel Street |  |
| Oroville |  |
| Lake Oroville Golf & Event Center | 5131 Royal Oaks Drive |  |
| Municipal Auditorium | 1200 Myers Street |  |

| **1 - Day Voter Assistance Centers** |  |
| **Hours of Operation:** |  |
| **March 5th, Election Day - 7am to 8pm** |  |
| Paradise / Magalia |  |
| Magalia Community Center | 13917 South Park Drive |  |

Note: Voter Assistance Center Locations and/or times of operation are subject to change.