

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE D

Measure D was placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the El Medio Fire Protection District (“District”). The measure would authorize the District to levy a special tax for emergency response and fire protection services to be used solely for providing fire suppression, prevention, rescue and emergency medical services within the District.

The special tax would be levied on all taxable real property within the District each fiscal year beginning with fiscal year 2020-2021, and each fiscal year thereafter, at flat rates based upon the use of each taxable parcel of real property as follows: \$60.00 per parcel for single-family residential parcels; \$60.00 per parcel for mobile homes on separate parcels; \$60.00 per dwelling unit for other residential parcels; \$200.00 per parcel for commercial/industrial parcels; \$50.00 per parcel for agricultural/vacant parcels for up to five acres and \$10.00 for every five acres thereafter; and \$75.00 per parcel for institutional/miscellaneous parcels.

To the extent that the revenue from the special property taxes enacted by this measure are in excess of the spending limit for the District as calculated in accordance with provisions of Article XIII B of the California Constitution and applicable statutory provisions, the approval of this special property tax by the voters shall constitute approval to increase the District’s spending limit in an amount equal to the revenue derived from the special property tax for the maximum period of time allowed by law.

If approved by the voters, the special tax shall continue until repealed by the Board of Directors or by the voters. In order to ensure that the revenues from the special tax grow with the inflation-adjusted cost of providing local emergency response and fire protection services, the special tax may be increased in future years by an amount not to exceed 3% per year.

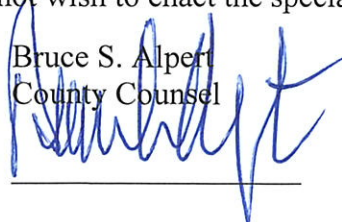
The special tax will be collected by the Butte County Tax Collector at the same time and in the same manner as property taxes and will be subject to the same penalties and interest as property taxes. The County shall be entitled to deduct its reasonable cost incurred in collecting the special taxes before the balance of the taxes are remitted to the District.

Passage of Measure D requires approval of two-thirds of the voters voting thereon.

A “YES” vote on Measure D means you wish to enact the special tax.

A “NO” vote on Measure D means you do not wish to enact the special tax.

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The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure D. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call Butte County Elections at (530) 552-3400, or (800) 894-7761 within Butte County, and a copy will be mailed to you at no cost. You may also access the full text of the measure at the following website address: <http://buttevotes.net>.