Ballot Argument in Support of Measure M

We have all seen the television news images of what flood damage does to a community. But when the news crews move on to the next story, we don't see the years it takes to rebuild those communities.

<u>Every year in the United States</u>, floods cause an average of \$2 billion in damage. California alone was projected to have \$3 billion in damage in last year. Unfortunately, Woodland sits in harm's way.

The state and federal governments have agreed on a solution. They will pay to channel flood waters that can threaten Woodland to flow into the bypass in the east - away from our homes, our businesses, and our water/sewer treatment facilities.

Measure M allows the City of Woodland to accept at least \$300 million in state and federal funding to build this channeling solution and avoid far greater costs of rebuilding a disastrously damaged community.

Your "yes" vote will mean the state and federal governments can pay 99% of the cost to keep flood waters away from where we live and work. And control the cost of homeowner insurance.

Investing in preventing damage and disaster doesn't make the news. But no news about a flood is good news for Woodland.

Measure M has the unanimous support of our City Council. Measure M deserves a unanimous "yes" from Woodland voters.

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