# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE T

#### TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Woodland Joint Unified School District (the "District") on November 4, 2014, to authorize the sale of up to \$19 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the proposition. If the bonds are approved, 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 9404 of the California Elections Code.

- 1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.011 per \$100 (\$11.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2015-16.
- 2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.011 per \$100 (\$10.98 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2025-26.
- 3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which 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 \$0.011 per \$100 (\$11.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation, which is projected to be the same in every fiscal year that the bonds remain outstanding.

Voters should note that estimated tax rates are based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, <u>not</u> 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. Certain taxpayers may also be eligible to postpone payment of taxes. 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 actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply 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 construction funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% vote. 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.

Dated: June 26, 2014.

s/ Dr. Debra LaVoi Superintendent of Schools Woodland Joint Unified School District



#### WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

### COUNTY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE T

The Woodland Joint Unified School District has placed Measure T on the ballot.

Upon approval of 55% of the votes cast by voters in an election, California law permits school districts to issue bonds, secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property within a district, for the purposes of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including furnishings and equipping school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

The Board of Education of the Woodland Joint Unified School District (District) proposes issuing bonds in the amount of \$19 million. Bond proceeds will be used to fund projects included in the Bond Project List set forth in the Measure. Projects include, but are not limited to, supporting student health and safety by fixing cracked/potholed pavement; providing lunch/shade shelters for students; repairing/upgrading irrigation system/drainage for water conservation; repairing/replacing school playgrounds/ playfields/physical education facilities; and repairing/ upgrading fencing/school security. Bond proceeds shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishings and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, including, to the extent permitted by law, the acquisition or lease of real property in connection with an existing or future financing of the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List, including the prepayment of existing or future interim lease, certificate of participation or lease of revenue bond financings. The District has certified that it has evaluated and taken into consideration the safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Proceeds of the bonds cannot be used for administrators' or teachers' salaries or any other operating expenses. The District would conduct annual performance and financial audits, and appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure bond proceeds are expended as promised and specified.

The District's best estimate of the tax rate to be levied to fund the proposed bond issue is \$11.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds and \$10.98 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds. The District's best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue is \$11.00 per \$100,000 per fiscal year of assessed valuation.

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of \$19 million to be secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property located within the district.

A "no" vote is a vote not to authorize the issuance and sale of the bonds in the amount of \$19 million to be secured by the levy of ad valorem taxes on property located within the district.

Dated: August 8, 2014.

s/ Philip J. Pogledich, County Counsel

BY Hope P. Welton, Senior Deputy

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure T. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Yolo County Registrar of Voters at (530) 666-8133 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.



# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

Measure T is a companion to Measure S to upgrade Woodland schools. Together, Measures S & T will provide Woodland students with the safe and modern classrooms, science labs and school facilities needed for quality education in our local schools.

Measure T would fund improvements to facilities that support student learning and activities and protect student safety and security in our Woodland schools.

Specifically, Measure T will:

- · Remove lead paint
- Improve fencing, alarms and school security systems
- Fix cracked and potholed concrete and asphalt pavement
- Improve irrigation systems and drainage for water conservation
- Repair or replace outdated school playgrounds and playfields
- Upgrade physical education and athletic facilities for improved student use

Both Measures S & T require strict fiscal accountability:

- All money raised will stay in Woodland schools and cannot be taken by the State
- An independent Citizens' Oversight Committee and annual audits will ensure funds are spent properly
- No funds can be used for administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits

Passage of Measures S & T will help Woodland schools qualify for state matching funds that will otherwise go to benefit students in other communities.

By law, funds from Measures S & T may only be used for the specific facility projects included in the District's project list.

By voting Yes on Measures S & T we can continue the recent progress in Woodland schools and ensure all Woodland students have access to the quality school facilities they deserve and a chance to succeed in college and in their future careers.

Parents, teachers, and local business and community leaders all agree that Measures S & T are essential for improving our schools.

Vote Yes on Measures S & T for our Woodland kids!

- s/ Angel Barajas, Councilman, City of Woodland
- s/ Todd Traynham, Parent and Lifelong Woodland Resident
- s/ Jenny Cracchiolo Brown, Parent, PTA Board Member and Lifelong Woodland Resident
- s/ Marlin "Skip" Davies, Former Mayor of Woodland and Woodland Educator
- s/ Tania Garcia-Cadena, Parent and Former PTA President

# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T (None Filed)



#### **MEASURE T**

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### **FULL TEXT OF BOND PROPOSITION**

# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SAFE AND HEALTHY SCHOOLS MEASURE

This proposition may be known and referred to as the "Woodland Joint Unified School District Safe and Healthy Schools Measure" or as "Measure T".

#### **BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this proposition by at least 55% of the registered voters voting on the proposition, the Woodland Joint Unified School District (the "District") shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$19 million 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"), 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 facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of 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 (the "Education Code").

**Evaluation of Needs.** The Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board") has prepared an updated facilities plan in order to evaluate and address all of the facilities needs of the District at each campus and facility, and to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. 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, including, to the extent permitted by law, the acquisition or lease of real property in connection with an existing or future financing of the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List, including the prepayment of existing or future interim lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond financings, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board shall establish an independent citizens' oversight committee (pursuant to Section 15278 and following of the Education Code), to ensure bond proceeds are expended only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board. In accordance with Section 15282 of the 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 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. The Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds 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 Education Code.

**Annual Financial Audits.** The Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds 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 Education Code.

**Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board.** 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 will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board no later than January 1 of each year, commencing January 1, 2016, stating (a) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in that year, and (b) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year or other appropriate annual period as the Superintendent of the District shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

#### **FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS**

**Joint-Use Projects.** The District may enter into agreements with other public agencies or nonprofit organizations for joint use of school facilities financed with the proceeds of the bonds in accordance with Section 17077.42 of the Education Code (or any successor provision). The District may seek State grant funds for eligible joint-use projects as permitted by law, and this proposition hereby specifies and acknowledges that bond funds will or may be used to fund all or a portion of the local share for any eligible joint-use projects identified in the Bond Project List or as otherwise permitted by California State regulations, as the Board shall determine.

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

Bonds May be Issued in Excess of Statutory Bonding Limit. Issuance of all of the authorized bonds could, in certain circumstances, require the outstanding debt of the District to exceed its statutory bonding limit of 2.50% of the total assessed valuation of taxable property in the District. In that event, the District might seek a waiver of its bonding limit from the State Board of Education, which has the power to waive certain requirements of the 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 2.50% limit, if and to the extent provided in such waiver. 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 the 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 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. 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 and 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 construction funds expected from non-bond sources, including State of California grant funds for eligible projects, if any, have not yet been secured. Therefore, the Board cannot guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Alternatively, if the District obtains unexpected funds from non-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.



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

# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SAFE AND HEALTHY SCHOOLS MEASURE

#### **BOND PROJECT LIST**

The following projects are authorized to be financed on each campus or site listed below:

#### BEAMER PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras

#### CACHE CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras
- Re-grade and improve site areas for proper drainage, and replace and improve irrigation systems

#### **DINGLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

• Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras

#### **DOUGLASS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Repair, replace, improve and/or upgrade sidewalks, walkways (including covered walkways), handrail, guardrails
  and other path of travel areas and buildings, including crosswalks
- · Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras

#### FREEMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras

#### **GIBSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras

#### LEE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras

#### RHODA MAXWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras
- Re-grade and improve site areas for proper drainage, and remove/replace and improve irrigation systems

#### PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL

- Acquire and/or construct and install a new synthetic track, including necessary supporting facilities and equipment
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras

#### PLAINFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Repair, replace, improve and/or upgrade sidewalks, walkways (including covered walkways), handrail, guardrails and other path of travel areas and buildings
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install playground facilities

#### RAMON S. TAFOYA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- · Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras

#### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras
- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand and/or install playfields and landscaping

#### WHITEHEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras and lighting for parking lots and other campus areas
- Re-grade and improve site areas for proper drainage, and remove/replace and improve irrigation systems

#### **WOODLAND HIGH SCHOOL**

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps and other campus areas), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including security cameras
- Acquire and/or construct and install a new synthetic track, including necessary supporting facilities and equipment
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install athletic field/football stadium facilities, including bleachers, press box, concession stands, restrooms and lighting

#### WOODLAND PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Acquire, replace, repair, upgrade and/or install student security systems, including fencing and security cameras

#### ZAMORA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install paved and other hard surfaces (including playgrounds, parking lots and ramps), benches, gates, fencing, playfields and landscaping
- Re-grade and improve site areas for proper drainage, and replace and improve irrigation systems

#### **DISTRICT-WIDE**

#### The following projects are authorized to be financed at all schools:

- Improve, renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade and/or expand parking lots to improve student safety and traffic flow
- Renovate, repair, resurface, upgrade, expand, construct and/or install and improve paved and other hard surfaces and renovate, improve, replace and/or install playground facilities, support facilities and other fixtures and equipment
- Re-grade and improve site areas for proper drainage, and replace and improve irrigation systems
- Install, repair, renovate and/or replace sidewalks, walkways, asphalt, pavement, parking lots, driveways, playground surfaces and playfields
- Install, repair or replace track surfaces

#### **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
- The inspection and analysis of grounds, buildings and structures to assess health and safety risks to students, faculty, staff, parents and the public and compliance with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including seismic safety requirements, Field Act requirements and access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the improvement, correction, repair or renovation of such grounds, buildings and structures or portions thereof identified as such health and safety risks or acquire, install and/or construct other improvements to comply with such laws and requirements
- Necessary onsite and offsite preparation or restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable buildings, including demolition of structures; removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines (gas, water, sewer, electrical, data and voice, etc.), trees and landscaping; relocating fire access roads
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing
  or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.)
- Furnishing and equipping of school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology
- All other costs and work necessary and incidental to the listed bond projects
- Acquisition of all or a portion of any school site or facility, or an interest therein, or make lease payments with
  respect to any school site or facility, encumbered in order to finance or refinance the listed bond projects pursuant
  to a lease, certificate of participation or lease revenue bond financing