

County Voter Information Guide and Sample Ballot

General Election

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Polls are open 7 am - 8 pm

← Polling place on the back cover

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

YOU CAN STILL VOTE IN PERSON ON ELECTION DAY.

Polling places will be open on Election Day from 7 am to 8 pm. Please see the back cover of your Voter Information Guide for your polling location.

CHECK YOUR VOTER STATUS ONLINE

Visit the Secretary of State's My Voter Status page at www.voterstatus.sos.ca.gov, where you can check your voter status and find your polling place. You can:

- See if you are registered to vote, and in which county.
- Check your political party preference.
- Find your polling place.
- Find contact information for the elections office.
- Check the status of your vote-by-mail ballot or provisional ballot.

SAME DAY VOTER REGISTRATION

If you forgot to register or update your voter registration, you can register to vote and vote until 8 PM on Election Day. This process is called Conditional Voter Registration, also known as "Same Day Voter Registration." Just visit the elections office, or any polling place, complete a voter registration card or online application, and vote your ballot. Once we process your registration, and determine you are eligible to vote, you will be registered to vote and your ballot will be counted.

POSTAGE PREPAID BALLOTS

No Stamp, No Problem. All California vote-by-mail ballot return envelopes have prepaid postage, ensuring that voting is free and convenient for all California voters.

TWO US SENATE CONTESTS ON BALLOTS

There are two U.S. Senate contests on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot.

- The first contest is the regular election for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031.
- The second contest is a special vacancy election (the current officeholder is temporarily filling a vacancy) for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025.

You may vote for both contests.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE MONO COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE AT (760) 932-5537



Polling Place Locations	Voting Precinct				
All Polling Places are open Election Day 7 am to 8 pm					
Walker Community Center	01 - Antelope				
442 Mule Deer Dr., Walker, CA 96107	or - Antelope				
Bridgeport Memorial Hall	03 - Bridgeport				
73 N. School St., Bridgeport, CA 93517	03 - Bridgeport				
Chalfant Community Center	04 - Tri-Valley				
123 Valley Rd., Chalfant Valley, CA 93514	04 - 111-Valley				
June Lake Community Center	05 - June Lake				
90 W. Granite Ave., June Lake, CA 93529	00 - Julie Lake				
Crowley Lake Community Center	07 - Long Valley				
58 Pearson Rd., Crowley Lake, CA 93546	07 - Long Valley				
*** MOVED ***	08 - Mammoth Meadow 09 - Mammoth Minaret				
Mono County Civic Center	10 - Mammoth Pinecrest 12 - Mammoth View				
1290 Tavern Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546	13 - Old Mammoth				
Ballot Drop Box Loca	tions (open 10/8/2024)				
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123 Valley Rd., Chalfant Valley, CA 93514	90 W. Granite Ave., June Lake, CA 93529				
58 Pearson Rd., Crowley Lake, CA 93546	1290 Tavern Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546				

Mono County Elections

Ballots can be delivered to this office Mon - Fri 8 am - 5 pm, or Election Day 7 am - 8 pm

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HOW TO MARK YOUR BALLOT

To vote

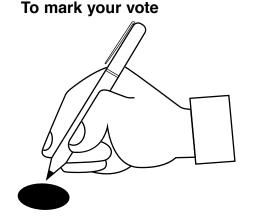
To vote for a candidate, completely fill in the oval next to your choice.

To vote on any measure, completely fill in the oval next to the word "YES" or the word "NO".

Important:

Check both the front and the back of your ballot for voting contests.

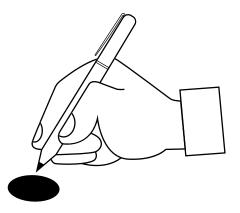
Do not use red ink.



To vote for a qualified write-in candidate:

To vote for a write-in candidate, write the candidate's name in the blank space provided directly below the names of the other candidates for the office, then completely fill in the oval next to your choice.





Review your ballot:

If you vote for more candidates than allowed, or if you vote both Yes and No on a measure, your vote will not count for that contest. You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count. If you make a mistake ask for another ballot.

All precincts in Mono County will have election materials available for voters in Spanish. You can request a Spanish translation of your ballot on Election Day at your polling location. To request a Spanish translation of your ballot when voting by mail, please contact the elections office at 760-932-5537.

Todos los precintos en el Condado de Mono tendran materiales electorales para los votantes en Español. Usted puede solicitar una traduccion en Español de su boleta electoral el Dia de la Eleccion en su lugar de votacion. Para solicitar una traduccion en Español de su boleta al votar por correo, favor de communicarse con la oficina de Elecciones al 760-932-5537.



Party Endorsements

Proposition 14, approved by the voters in 2010, authorizes political parties to endorse candidates to Voter-Nominated offices. This pamphlet contains the official endorsements that were received by the deadline.

The American Independent Party endorses the following candidate(s):

<u>Candidate</u> <u>Office</u>

Kevin Kiley
U.S. Representative, District 3
George Radanovich
State Assembly, District 8

The **Democratic Party** endorses the following candidate(s):

<u>Candidate</u> <u>Office</u>

Jessica Morse U.S. Representative, District 3

The **Republican Party** endorses the following candidate(s):

<u>Candidate</u> <u>Office</u>

Kevin Kiley U.S. Representative, District 3



INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

To vote, completely fill in the oval to the left of your choice. Use a blue or black ink pen to mark your ballot. **No red ink.**

If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

OPTIONAL WRITE-IN:

To vote for a qualified write-in Candidate, write the person's name in the write-in space and fill in the oval.



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Party-Nominated Offices		UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS				
Candidates for these offices are the official nominee of the party displayed with their name.		United States Representative District 3 Vote for One	3 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRIAGE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends				
PARTY-NOMINATED OF		Jessica Morse Party Preference: Democratic	California Constitution to recognize fundamental right to marry, regardless of sex				
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT President and Vice President of the United States		Wildfire Prevention Official Kevin Kiley Party Preference: Republican	or race. Removes language in California Constitution stating that marriage is only between a man and a woman. Fiscal Impact: No change in revenues or				
	for One Party	United States Representative	costs for state and local governments.				
Claudia De la Cruz	Peace	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	Supporters: Sierra Pacific Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America;				
For President Karina Garcia For Vice President	and Freedom	State Assembly Member District 8	Dolores Huerta Foundation; Equality California				
		Vote for One	Opponents: Jonathan Keller, California				
Kamala D. Harris For President Tim Walz	Democratic	George Radanovich Party Preference: Republican Family Business Owner	Family Council; Rev. Tanner DiBella Yes				
For Vice President		David J. Tangipa	○ No				
Robert F. Kennedy Jr. For President	American	Party Preference: Republican Small Business Owner	4 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE				
	Independent	NONPARTISAN OFFICES	DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE				
For Vice President	-	SCHOOL	PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE				
Chase Oliver	Libertarian t	BISHOP UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general				
For President Mike ter Maat		Governing Board Member	obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and protection of communities				
For Vice President		Vote for no more than Two	and lands. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of				
Jill Stein For President Rudolph Ware	Green	Steve EliaSchool Board Member, BUSD	about \$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond. Supporters: Clean Water Action: CALFIRE				
For Vice President		Michelle Mulligan	Firefighters; National Wildlife Federation; The Nature Conservancy				
Onald J. Trump For President	Republican	Server / Parent Jamie Morley	Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association				
JD Vance For Vice President		Road Maintenance Supervisor	○ Yes				



0	○ Karen M. Keehn	○ No				
	Retired Teacher	5 ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR				
Write-in	0	AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC				
Voter-Nominated and Nonpartisan Offices	Write-in	INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE				
Candidates display a party preference (or None) for the information of voters. This is	0	CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing				
not a party endorsement or approval.	Write-in	bonds for low- and middle-income				
VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements.				
UNITED STATES SENATOR	STATE MEASURES	Fiscal Impact: Increased local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing,				
	STATE MEASURES	and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes. Supporters: California Professional Firefighters; League of Women Voters of California; Habitat for Humanity California Opponents: California Taxpayers Association; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; Women Veterans Alliance				
 There are two U.S. Senate contests on this ballot. One for the regular 6-year term ending January 3, 2031 One for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025 You may vote for both contests. 	2 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges, and career technical education programs, including for improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades.					
United States Senator (Full Term)	Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of	○ Yes				
Vote for One	about \$500 million annually for 35 years to	○ No				
Adam B. Schiff Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative Steve Garvey Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative United States Senator (Partial / Unexpired Term) Vote for One Adam B. Schiff Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative Steve Garvey Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative	repay the bond. Supporters: California Teachers Association; California School Nurses Organization; Community College League of California Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association Yes No	6 ELIMINATES CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to remove current provision that allows jails and prisons to impose involuntary servitude to punish crime (i.e., forcing incarcerated persons to work). Fiscal Impact: Potential increase or decrease in state and local costs, depending on how work for people in state prison and county jail changes. Any effect likely would not exceed the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Assemblymember Lori Wilson Opponents: None submitted				
		○ Yes				
		○ No				



MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS				
RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. NITIATIVE STATUTE. Raises minimum wage as follows: For employers with 26 or more employees, to \$17 immediately, \$18 on January 1, 2025. For employers with 25 or ewer employees, to \$17 on January 1, 2025, \$18 on January 1, 2026. Fiscal Impact: State and local government costs could increase or decrease by up to nundreds of millions of dollars annually. State and local revenues likely would decrease by no more than a few hundred million dollars annually. Supporters: None submitted Dipponents: California Chamber of Commerce; California Restaurant Association; California Grocers Association Yes	36 ALLOWS FELONY CHARGES AND INCREASES SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN DRUG AND THEFT CRIMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs and for thefts under \$950, if defendant has two prior drug or theft convictions. Fiscal Impact: State criminal justice costs likely ranging from several tens of millions of				
	○ Yes				
	○ No				
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34 RESTRICTS SPENDING OF	○ Bonds - Yes					
PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.	O Bonds - No					
INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires certain	COUNTY					
providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on	Measure K					
direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation of Medi-Cal drug prices. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs, likely in the millions of dollars annually, to enforce new rules on certain health care entities. Affected entities would pay fees to cover these costs. Supporters: The ALS Association; California Chronic Care Coalition; Latino Heritage Los Angeles Opponents: National Org. for Women; Consumer Watchdog; Coalition for Economic Survival; AIDS Healthcare Foundation; Dolores Huerta	To fund essential Mono County services, including affordable and workforce housing; public safety and emergency services; childcare; street maintenance and pothole repair; county parks; public health and healthcare; economic development; and other general government use; shall the ordinance increasing Transient Occupancy Tax from 12% to 15% paid only by hotel and short-term rental guests in unincorporated Mono County, providing approximately an additional \$1,100,000 annually, subject to annual public review and audits, until ended by voters, be adopted?					
○ Yes	○ Yes					
○ No	○ No					
35 PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, which, if approved by the federal government, provides revenues to pay for Medi-Cal health care services. Fiscal Impact: Short-term state costs between roughly \$1 billion and \$2 billion annually to increase funding for certain health programs. Total funding increase between roughly \$2 billion to \$5 billion annually. Unknown long-term fiscal effects. Supporters: Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA; American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists; American Academy of Pediatrics, CA Opponents: None submitted						
○ Yes						
│ ○ No	I .					



VOTER'S INFORMATION SECTION

The Following Pages Contain Voter Information Applicable to our Ballot Which May Include Any/All of the Following Items:

- CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS
- **■** BALLOT MEASURES
- ANALYSES
- ARGUMENTS PRO & CON
- TEXT OF MEASURE(S)

This pamphlet section may not contain a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot. Each candidate's statement in this guide is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body.

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

The text, grammar, and spelling are as submitted by the authors.

Campaign Finance Reform

State legislative candidates appearing on ballots in Mono County who adopt voluntary campaign expenditure limits may purchase space in the Voter Information Guide for publication of a candidate statement. Legislative candidates listed below have accepted the expenditure limits as adopted by California voters in November 2000(Prop 34), amending the California Government Code effective in 2001:

Assembly, 8th District

GEORGE RADANOVICH Republican

DAVID TANGIPA Republican

All candidates accepting the spending limits had the opportunity of printing a candidate statement in this booklet.



STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 3

KEVIN KILEY AGE: 39 **JESSICA MORSE** AGE: 42

Occupation: United States Representative

Education and Qualifications: Two years ago, I ran for Congress pledging to work in a bipartisan fashion to reduce the national debt and out-of-control spending that harms our economy, makes inflation worse, and jeopardizes our future.

As your Representative, I worked to enact the Bi-Partisan Fiscal Responsibility Act, limiting spending and saving taxpayers \$2.1 trillion by cutting waste, fraud, and abuse while fully protecting Social Security, Medicare, and support for our veterans.

We have all witnessed the devastating consequences of this Administration's failure to secure the border: deadly fentanyl, dangerous criminals, and human trafficking. I helped pass the Secure the Border Act and have urged the President to sign this legislation for common-sense border security.

As your Representative I work to make sure your tax dollars come back to our district for critical projects. As a member of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, I secured \$22 million in federal assistance for critical local projects and \$176 Million for water infrastructure and wildfire protection to protect homes and help bring down fire insurance rates.

As a former high school teacher, I'm working on the Education Committee to defend parental rights and increase excellence in education. As a former Deputy Attorney General, I'm working on the Judiciary Committee to support law enforcement and stop rising crime.

Our district is where I was born, raised, and attended public schools. It is an honor to be your Representative, and I humbly ask for your vote. Visit ElectKevinKiley.com to learn more. Thank you.

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 3

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR

Occupation: Former Deputy Secretary for Forest and Wildland Resilience

Education and Qualifications: My family has been in the Sierra Foothills for five generations. I grew up fishing, hunting, and backpacking, including hiking 500 miles on the Pacific Crest Trail. My parents were teachers and didn't make much money, but they worked hard and taught us to give back to our church and community. So, when I graduated college in the wake of 9/11. I raised my hand to help. As a civilian. I deployed to Iraq alongside our troops. I spent the next decade serving in national security roles around the world, working to stop corruption, human trafficking and terrorism.

In 2018, when the Camp Fire broke out in Paradise, I dropped everything to serve again and help find solutions to prevent such devastating fires. Lioined the California Natural Resources Agency as Deputy Secretary leading wildfire prevention efforts. I worked hand in glove with CAL FIRE, loggers, and environmental leaders, to design and implement a nation-leading wildfire prevention program to protect our families. homes, communities, and public lands, showing real results in reducing megafires.

A wildfire doesn't ask if vou're a Republican or a Democrat and neither do I. It's time to solve our common challenges: skyrocketing costs of insurance, housing, and gas; turning the tide on homelessness; providing quality affordable healthcare; and protecting women's reproductive rights.

We all want our children safe in schools and our seniors to retire with dignity. Our community deserves a fierce advocate and problem solver.

Together we can vanquish partisan politics through true public service.

www.morseforcongress.com

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR **MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, 8TH DISTRICT**

GEORGE RADANOVICH

Occupation: Family Business Owner, Former U.S. Representative

Education and Qualifications: I am running for the State Assembly to shake up the status quo in Sacramento, stop tax increases and stand up to Gavin Newsom and his agenda which has made inflation worse and harmed our economy.

As your Assemblyman, I'll work to reduce the cost of living and balance the budget. I stand for stronger border security and law enforcement. I pledge to protect our Constitution and our rights.

The state has been negligent in addressing our water needs. We need to build, upgrade and repair water storage and delivery systems. I'll use my farming, business and legislative experience to help our farms and businesses thrive.

This is where I was born, where my family started a small business in 1955 and where I opened the first local winery in 1986. Voters chose me to represent our area in Congress, but after losing my wife to cancer, I voluntarily stepped down over a decade ago to raise our son.

I care too much to sit on the sidelines any longer while Gavin Newsom and Sacramento politicians ruin our future with their taxes, inflation and far-left policies.

As the candidate who opposes all tax increases, I'm proud to be endorsed by the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, the Republican Party of Fresno, Madera, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties and conservative leaders including Rep. Tom McClintock and Supervisor Debbie Poochigian, I ask for your vote and pledge to fight for you and your family in Sacramento. Please visit George2024.com to learn more. Thanks.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR **MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, 8TH DISTRICT**

DAVID TANGIPA AGE: 28

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: As a first-generation American and son of a veteran, I was raised with the values of freedom and liberty. I am running for the State Assembly because California needs new leadership and a fresh perspective. The high cost of living, forest mismanagement, crime, homelessness, and insurance issues plague our community.

As a field representative in county government, I worked on the Creek Fire that took the homes of my family and friends. I have fought for responsible forest management to lower insurance rates for residents in the foothill and mountain communities. As a local businessman, I have assisted families with buying their first home and achieving the American dream.

I became the first person in my family to graduate from college and earned degrees in political science, criminology, and a Master's in Business Administration, all while playing football for the Fresno State Bulldogs. I am endorsed by outgoing Assemblyman Jim Patterson, District Attorney Lisa Smittcamp, former Sheriff Margaret Mims, Sheriff John Zanoni, Sheriff Rick DiBasilio, former Sheriff Jeff Hollowell, California Professional Firefighters, California Highway Patrol, and others.

I would be honored to have your vote to restore the future of California. For more information visit: davidtangipaforassembly.com



MEASURE R BISHOP UNION HIGH SCHOOL AND HOME STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL REPAIR BOND

"Bishop Union High School and Home Street Middle School Repair Bond. With funds that cannot be taken by the State, shall Bishop Unified School District's measure to repair/ replace deteriorating plumbing, roofs, electrical, heating and air-conditioning systems and update career training facilities, classrooms, and Bishop Union High School's historic main building be adopted, authorizing \$46.3 million with legal rates, audits, average levies below \$52 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$2.9 million annually) while outstanding, independent oversight, no funds for administrator salaries and full disclosure of spending?"

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

FULL TEXT OF BOND MEASURE FOR BISHOP UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

With funds that cannot be taken by the State, shall Bishop Unified School District's measure to repair/ replace deteriorating plumbing, roofs, electrical, heating and air-conditioning systems and update career training facilities, classrooms, and Bishop Union High School's historic main building be adopted, authorizing \$46.3 million with legal rates, audits, average levies below \$52 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$2.9 million annually) while outstanding, independent oversight, no funds for administrator salaries and full disclosure of spending?

INTRODUCTION

The Bishop Unified School District was established in 2010 when the former Bishop Joint Union High School District and Bishop Elementary School District were consolidated and merged to form one unified school district.

The District operates two high schools and one middle school. These schools, especially the Bishop Union High School and the Home Street Middle School, are aging and in need of repair, upgrade, and renovation, including fixing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, and electrical systems; modernization of outdated existing classrooms, restrooms, and school facilities; and enhancement of campus safety and security. Addressing these needed facilities issues requires that the District ask the voters to approve a General Obligation Bond.

Dedicated funding is required to meet these needs and provide safe, updated classrooms, labs, and facilities needed to support high-quality instruction in math, science, engineering, and technology to all students in our District.

The State of California requires a local match, funded primarily through local, general obligation bonds, for school districts wishing to pursue matching state funds for the upgrade or replacement of school buildings and facilities. The millions of dollars potentially available through the State match allows local taxpayers to benefit from the tax dollars they already pay to Sacramento.

It is imperative that our students are housed in educational environments consistent with the District's priority to provide school facilities that are safe, attractive, and appropriate for learning. The District needs to act locally to provide clean, safe, and modern facilities to ensure our students have the educational opportunities they deserve, and a school environment the community can take pride in.

As required by the California Constitution, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes authorized under Article XIIIA of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or

the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses.

The following list describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The scope of specific projects, the order of construction, and their completion is contingent on final project costs and the availability of needed funds. Further, projects on the project list are of the type that issuing the authorized general obligation bonds as stated will not cause the State to reduce any financial hardship contribution that would otherwise be available to the District had these bonds not been authorized, issued, and or expended for their stated purpose.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, classsize reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects.

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended on the construction, modernization, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, equipping, furnishing or otherwise improvement of school facilities of the Bishop Unified School District. Additionally, funds may be utilized for the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries or other school operating expenses, in compliance with California Constitution Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3). This Measure authorizes bond projects to be undertaken at all current and future District middle school and high school sites.

School Facility Project List. The items presented on the following list provide are the types of projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Examples included on this list are not intended to limit the broader types of projects described and authorized by this Measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Replace, repair, modernize deteriorating roofs, leaking pipes, outdated plumbing, sewer and gas lines, waterlines, storm drains, valves and pumps, heating, cooling, ventilation systems and electrical systems
- Improve and modernize the historic main building at Bishop Union High School
- Expand, renovate and revitalize existing or construct new classrooms and school facilities for vocational and career training programs, including agricultural mechanics, woodworking and welding
- Renovate and modernize classrooms and school facilities including flooring, windows, window coverings, doors, walls, ceilings, lighting, interior and exterior finishes, and paint
- Update schools to improve student safety and security including installing additional fencing and gates, pedestrian access, walkways/path-oftravel, lighting, reconfiguring entrances and drop-off/pickup locations, improve parking and traffic flow, point of entry access, upgrading door locks and security systems
- Provide adequate furniture and add built-in storage casework and equipment for all classrooms
- Modernize, upgrade, renovate existing classrooms and labs and construct new classrooms with flexible learning spaces
- Renovate, repair, and construct restrooms
- Repair or replace deteriorating asphalt, concrete, sidewalks, parking lots, driveways and walkways



- Renovate, repair, replace, upgrade, resurface, construct and/or install
 playfields, field/sports lighting and speaker/PA system, outdoor courts,
 baseball/softball backstops, running tracks, locker rooms and all related
 improvements and equipment
- Develop, construct, install and improve outdoor areas including outdoor learning and meeting areas, including creating greater accessibility and usability, hardscaping, landscaping including the removal of trees, irrigation improvements, and building/installing shade structures and seating
- Renovate, expand and modernize classroom, workroom, office and conference room spaces for libraries, mental health, wellness, counseling, and nursing
- Make health and safety improvements, such as installing necessary seismic reinforcements, repairing termite damage and repairing and/ or replacing aging building materials including removal of hazardous materials identified either prior to or during construction
- Improve energy efficiency and sustainability including installation of energy efficient lighting and systems, solar panels, battery storage, and electric vehicle charging stations
- Acquire, install and/or upgrade campus safety and security/intrusion alarm systems, including intercom and emergency communications systems, lighting systems, bell systems, fire and life safety systems
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades district-wide including site access, walkways, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment and classrooms

Incidental Expenses. Each of the bond projects described in this project list include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above. Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design. engineering, architect and other professional services, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, bond project construction management, administration and other planning and permitting, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits: a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities: the preparation or restoration of construction, renovation or remodeling; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; federal and state-mandated safety upgrades; addressing unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/ modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and costs of the election; bond issuance costs; and project administration during the duration of such projects, as permitted by law.

<u>Furnishing and Equipping</u>. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, fixtures, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies

(including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

Alternations to Scope; New Construction. The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by conditions that may arise during the course of design and construction. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for or otherwise determined by the Board to be in the best interests of the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond Measure authorizes said new construction including land acquisition, relocation and construction at a new or alternative site, and/or demolition and reconstruction and/or repurposing on the original site, including an expanded site, and all costs relating thereto. In addition, this Measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities. For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new construction instead, if the Board of Trustees determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.

Interim Financing Included; Joint Use Projects Authorized. Authorized projects include paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes, and includes prepayment of lease payments to acquire title to facilities and/or equipment previously financed. Projects may also be undertaken on a joint use basis with other public entities, and such projects may include participation in the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program to gain matching funds for teacher education, multi-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, childcare, and other qualifying joint-use facilities. With respect to such joint-use projects, the bond funds authorized by this Measure may be used to pay all of the local share needed to qualify the projects for special State matching funds under the State Facility Program's Joint-Use Program requirements.

Bond Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. Approval of this bond Measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the Measure. The District's capital needs currently exceed the amount of bonds the voters are being asked to authorize. The order in which particular projects are listed is not intended to suggest priority for funding or completion, and itemization of projects in the list above does not guarantee that all such projects will be undertaken. Project priorities will be determined by the Board of Trustees. The ability of the District to undertake and complete the listed projects is subject to numerous variables including the adequacy and availability of sufficient funding sources. The District is unable to anticipate all unforeseen circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed.

Interpretation. The terms of this bond Measure and the words used in the 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 XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 et seq. and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the project list such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. As such, in accordance with legal requirements, the 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.

<u>Severability</u>. The District Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the District Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this Measure 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 Measure are severable.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

If the bonds are approved, the Board of Trustees will implement the following accountability measures in accordance with State law:

- (a) Use the bond proceeds only for the purposes authorized under Article XIIIA of the California Constitution, including construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities and related uses, as specifically set forth in this Measure, and costs incident thereto, and not for any other purpose, including salaries and other routine school operating expenses;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects and uses listed in this Measure;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects and uses listed in this Measure; and
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure the bonds are used only for the projects and uses listed in this Measure.

The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code section 53410.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

California Education Code section 15122.5 requires the following statement to be included in this sample ballot:

"Approval of this bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the Bishop Unified School District that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this bond measure. The District's proposal for certain of the projects assumes the receipt of matching state funds, which are subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ANNUAL TAX AMOUNT, RATE, AND DURATION

The bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum. The maturity of the bonds shall not exceed the maximum term allowed by law at the time of issuance (currently 25 years if issued under Education Code section 15140, or 40 years if issued under Government Code section 53508, so long as the bonds are not capital appreciation bonds ("CABs," which CABs are limited to 25 years)). Accordingly, as further set forth in the tax rate statement, the *ad valorem* tax will be levied at such rates and for so long as may be required to meet the debt service needs of the bonds proposed to be issued, including such bonds that may be issued to refund any approved bonds.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE R

Under the California Constitution and various Education Code sections, school districts may issue bonds if approved by at least 55 percent of voters within the boundaries of that district. These bonds are sold to the public and constitute a debt of the district. The principal and interest on the bonds are repaid by an annual property tax levied on all real property within the jurisdiction of the school district. This is known as an "ad valorem tax" and is calculated based on the current assessed value of each property.

Measure R was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Bishop Unified School District (the "District"), which includes the Mono County communities of Swall Meadows and Paradise Estates. The Board asks voters to approve the sale of general obligation bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$46,300,000. These bonds would generate an average of \$2,900,000 in revenue annually for the District.

California Constitution Article XIIIA only allows funds from the sale of bonds to be used for specific purposes related to (1) construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities; (2) furnishing and equipping school facilities; or (3) the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities. Funds from the sale of bonds are not allowed to be used for teacher or administrator salaries or other school operational expenses.

As required by law, the District has submitted a description of the Scope of Projects and a School Facility Project List. The types of projects funded may include, but are not limited to:

- Repairing or replacing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, utility lines, and heating and cooling systems:
- Renovating or repairing the Bishop High School building;
- Renovating and constructing classrooms, restrooms, and other facilities:
- Upgrading safety infrastructure and systems;
- Installing or replacing outdoor learning areas and outdoor surfaces;
- Updating and acquiring classroom technology, including infrastructure and equipment; and/or
- Constructing accessibility upgrades to existing facilities.

If approved by voters, the District will be required to follow certain accountability provisions. This includes the establishment of an independent citizens' oversight committee and the annual completion of independent performance and financial audits to evaluate and ensure bond proceeds are only expended on the types of school facilities projects in accordance with the law.

At the time of filing, the District has provided the best estimate of the highest tax rate to be levied at approximately \$52 per \$100,000 of assessed property value per year for property located within the District boundaries. The bonds will have a maturity not exceeding 40 years and shall not have an interest rate exceeding 12%.

A "yes" vote on Measure R is a vote to authorize the District to issue bonds in the amount of \$46.3 million to be financed by an annual property tax on property within the District.

A "no" vote on Measure R is a vote against the issuance of the proposed bonds.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure R submitted by the Office of the Mono County Counsel.



TAX RATE STATEMENT MEASURE R

An election will be held in the Bishop Unified School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$46.3 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

- The best estimate of the average annual tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$51.83 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2049-50.
- The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on a projection of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$51.83 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. It is estimated that such rate would be levied in fiscal year 2025-26 through 2049-50.
- The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$71.7 million.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. 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.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those used to provide the estimates set forth above, due to factors such as variations in the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold and market interest rates available at the time of each sale, actual assessed valuations over the term of the bonds, and other factors. The date and amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on conditions in the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations 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.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

To protect and enhance Bishop's public schools while maintaining local control, and to ensure that our community—not the state—decides how our tax dollars are spent, vote YES on Measure R!

As citizens and taxpayers, we can all agree that Bishop Union High School and Home Street Middle School are among our community's most valuable assets. However, these schools' facilities—many of which have not been updated in over 50 years—urgently need renovations and upgrades. By improving our schools, we provide our children with a quality education while also protecting our property values and strengthening our community.

It is critical that we now join together and vote YES on Measure R! Here's why:

Local Control and Fiscal Responsibility:

- We control all decisions over how Measure R funds are spent—not the state.
- Full **public disclosure** of all spending is legally required.
- Use of Measure R funds to pay administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits is strictly prohibited.
- By law, Measure R's dollars cannot be taken by the state and spent elsewhere.

Measure R Protects Taxpayers:

- An independent citizens' oversight committee will review all expenditures.
- All expenditures will undergo an annual third-party audit.
- Passage of Measure R will qualify Bishop Unified School District for state matching funds.

Measure R Will Provide Necessary Updates to Our Schools:

- Repairing Aging Systems: Replacing deteriorating plumbing, roofs and outdated heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems
- Modernizing Classrooms and Facilities: Renovating school facilities and classrooms, including the historic main building at Bishop Union High School
- Enhancing Career/Vocational Training: Improving facilities for programs including agricultural mechanics, welding and woodworking
- Improving Student and Staff Safety: Updating emergency communication systems, fire alarms and monitoring systems to notify first responders in emergencies

To preserve our independence from outside interference and maintain our ability to make decisions that reflect our values and priorities, **vote YES on Measure R!**

Supporters: Barry Simpson, Inyo Superintendent; Nathan Derr; Jeff Griffths, County Supervisor; Manuel Astorga; William Talbot, D.D.S.

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE R WAS FILED.



MEASURE K

"To fund essential Mono County services, including affordable and workforce housing; public safety and emergency services; childcare; street maintenance and pothole repair; county parks; public health and healthcare; economic development; and other general government use; shall the ordinance increasing Transient Occupancy Tax from 12% to 15% paid only by hotel and short-term rental guests in unincorporated Mono County, providing approximately an additional \$1,100,000 annually, subject to annual public review and audits, until ended by voters, be adopted?"

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING MONO COUNTY CODE SECTION 3.28.060 TO INCREASE THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX RATE FROM TWELVE PERCENT TO FIFTEEN PERCENT

WHEREAS, Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7280 authorizes the board of supervisors of any county to levy in the unincorporated areas of the county a tax on the privilege of occupying a room or rooms, or other living space, in a hotel, inn, tourist home or house, motel, or other lodging unless the occupancy is for any period of more than 30 days or unless the occupancy is expressly exempt from such taxation by Section 7280 or other provision of state law; and

WHEREAS, such taxation is commonly referred to as "transient occupancy tax" or "TOT": and

WHEREAS, Mono County voters previously enacted The Tourists' Fair Share Act in Mono County Code Chapter 3.28, which currently levies a transient occupancy tax of 12% of the nightly rent charged; and

WHEREAS, the County provides essential services such as affordable and workforce housing, economic diversification and development, public safety and emergency services, road maintenance and pothole repair, public health and healthcare, and maintenance of county parks; and

WHEREAS, tourists make use of essential county services, such as parks, emergency response, and roads; and

WHEREAS, tourism, while critically essential to Mono County's economy, has contributed to the lack of affordable and workforce housing for those living and working in Mono County; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the transient occupancy rate by 3%, from 12% to 15% would raise an additional \$1.1 million in general fund revenues to supplement County services, including affordable and workforce housing development; and

WHEREAS, the County seeks to amend Chapter 3.28 of the Mono County Code to enact such an increase to the transient occupancy rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONO ORDAINS that:

SECTION ONE: Section 3.28.060 of the Mono County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"For the privilege of occupancy of any transient occupancy facility, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of fifteen percent of the rent charged. The tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the county which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the county. The transient shall pay the tax to the operator of the transient occupancy facility at the time the rent is paid. If the rent is paid in installments, a proportionate share of the tax shall be paid with each installment. The unpaid tax shall be due upon

the transient's ceasing to occupy space in the transient occupancy facility. If for any reason the tax due is not paid to the operator of the transient occupancy facility, the tax collector may require that such tax shall be paid directly to the tax collector."

SECTION TWO: Pursuant to California Constitution Article XIIIC Section 2(b) and California Elections Code Section 9141, this Ordinance shall take effect only if approved by a majority of the eligible voters of the County of Mono voting in the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024 and shall become effective 10 days after the results of said election are certified by the Board of Supervisors.

SECTION THREE:

This of	ordinance	was	submitted	to	the	People	of	Mono	County	at	the
November 5	5, 2024 ele	ection	and was ad	qob	ted b	y the fo	llov	ving vo	te of the	Pe	ople

YES:	
NO:	
ATTEST:	ATTEST:
Clerk of the Board	John Peters, Chair Mono County Board of Supervisors

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE K

Under the California Constitution and related state laws, local governments may levy a general tax if it is submitted to and approved by at least a majority of the voters within its jurisdiction.

The Mono County Board of Supervisors submitted Measure K, which, if approved, would increase the Transient Occupancy Tax ("TOT") levied in the unincorporated areas of Mono County from 12% to 15%. TOT is a tax charged to guests of hotels, motels, and similar short-term lodging who stay for a period of less than 30 days. Hotel and other transient accommodation operators collect the TOT when guests pay for their accommodations and transmit that TOT to Mono County.

The TOT increase proposed by Measure K is a general tax, meaning that the revenue generated by the tax would be deposited into the Mono County general fund and may be used for any general governmental purpose. These include, but are not limited to, essential county services such as development of affordable housing, public health and healthcare services, emergency response, street maintenance and repair, public safety, and economic development.

Currently, TOT generates approximately \$4,400,000 in general fund revenues for Mono County. Measure K, if passed by a majority of voters, would generate approximately \$1,100,000 in additional general fund revenue annually.

A "yes" vote on Measure K is a vote to increase the Transient Occupancy Tax rate charged to hotel and transient lodging guests in unincorporated Mono County from 12% to 15%.

A "no" vote on Measure K is a vote to leave the Transient Occupancy Tax rate at 12%.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure K submitted by the Office of the Mono County Counsel.



FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR MEASURE K

This measure provides for an increase in the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) in the unincorporated area of Mono County. The TOT is a tax imposed upon those individuals staying overnight at lodging facilities. And since the tax is generally imposed upon visitors, this additional local tax burden is not imposed on residents of Mono County. Currently, the tax is 12% of the room charge, usually paid when the transient occupies the room. This ballot measure would increase the TOT from 12% to 15%, effective ten days after certifying the election results for a majority "yes" vote. The increase in the TOT tax would result in an additional \$1.1 million in General Fund revenue annually, which would be available to pay for general County services and programs. The tax remains in effect until voters change it.

The TOT in the unincorporated area of the County generated an annual average of \$3.3 million since the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, for the County General Fund, with a low of \$2.4 million during the fiscal year 2012-13 and a high of \$4.0 million during the fiscal year 2022-23. Revenue from the TOT is the County's second-largest source of discretionary tax, following property taxes.

JANET DUTCHER
Auditor-Controller
County of Mono

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE K

Mono County faces a critical shortage of affordable and workforce housing. Measure K would provide badly needed additional funding that would be invested in the development of affordable and workforce housing right here in Mono County, helping to ensure everyone can live in the communities they serve, including essential workers like teachers, emergency responders, and service workers.

Measure K is a transient occupancy tax (TOT), which means it is paid for by the tourists and visitors who stay in the county's hotels and short term rental properties. Tourists and visitors are a lifeblood of our local economy, and they also use our roads and highways, strain our public safety and emergency services, and impact fragile wildlife habitats. Tourism also requires local workers to provide the services visitors need when they are here, and those workers need a place to live.

Measure K is a fair way to provide additional funding to Mono County that will help offset the impact tourism has on our local county services and housing availability. The county uses the existing TOT to support emergency medical services and local economic development; Measure K would provide additional funds that the County has committed to investing in workforce and affordable housing and other county services that our Mono County residents depend on. And it would do that without increasing taxes on local residents.

All of the funds from Measure K would be spent right here in Mono County and can't be taken by the State.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure K, and help our county reinvest in housing and services to support our Mono County residents.

s/Jennifer Kreitz s/John Peters

Mono County Supervisor, District 1 Mono County Supervisor, District 4

s/Rhonda Duggan s/Lynda Salcido

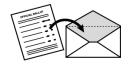
Mono County Supervisor, District 2 Mono County Supervisor, District 5

s/Bob Gardner

Mono County Supervisor, District 3

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE K WAS FILED.





Make your vote count

If voting by mail, avoid the most common reasons vote by mail ballots are rejected.

Missing signatures

Sign your return envelope to make sure your vote by mail ballot counts.

Mismatched signatures

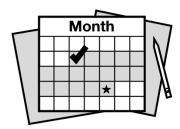
Voter's signature must look similar to the signature on the voter's registration card.

Late ballots

Voted ballots must be returned in person no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day or postmarked on or before Election Day to be counted.

Vote and return your ballot early

Mail your ballot early to ensure it is received in time to be processed.







Accessible Voting

At the Polling Place

All Pollng Places are ADA Accessible. Poll Workers are available to assist.

A poll worker may also take a regular ballot to the physically handicapped person at a place as near as possible to the polling place and which is accessible to such person, qualify that person to vote, and return the voted ballot to the polling place (EC 14282). If you are unable to mark your ballot, you may bring up to two people to the polls to assist you with voting. This person cannot be your employer or anyone who works for your employer, nor your labor union leader or anyone who works for your labor union.



Accessible Voting System

Each Polling Place has a ballot marking device that offers:

- An audio option that reads the ballot to you.
- A handheld tactile device with a universal plug for a personal assistive device.
- Large text size.

Instructions for Voters Requesting an RAVBM Ballot

Voters who are disabled, can't leave their home, have a hard time filling out their ballot, or who wish to vote remotely can request a Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot (RAVBM). An RAVBM ballot is emailed to the voter to download, print, fill out by pen, and mail back to our office to be counted.

NOTICE - This option is available to ALL voters.

Request Assistance



Mono County Elections 760-932-5537



Disability Rights of California 1-888-569-7955



STATE TTY/TDD 800-833-8683



CA Secretary of State 916-657-2166 or 800-345-8683



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Important Upcoming Election Dates

The last day to register to vote in this election is

OCTOBER 21, 2024

- · Have you moved?
- · Do you want to change your political party?
- Do you need to change your name?

Then you need to re-register! Visit registertovote.ca.gov to register online or call us and request a paper form be mailed to you.

If you miss the registration deadline, you still have options! Call our office or visit us in person (see contact information to the right).

If you do not receive your ballot in the mail, the last day you can call and request that we mail you a replacement ballot is

OCTOBER 29, 2024

After this date, you will need to come into our office to pick up a replacement ballot (or write and sign a note authorizing someone else to pick up a ballot for you).

Mono County Elections 74 School St. Bridgeport, Ca 93517 (760) 932-5537 Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received within 7 days. Election Day is

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Voted ballots may be hand delivered to the Mono County Elections office, or any polling place or drop box in California, NO LATER THAN 8 pm ON ELECTION DAY.



Polling Place Accessibility

All polling place locations are accessible to the disabled. If you wish to know more about the accessibility of you polling place, please call the Elections Office at (760) 932-5537 or email us at elections@mono.ca.gov

Please note that you will receive an official Vote-by-Mail ballot in the mail shortly. We encourage you to vote the ballot you receive, however your polling place for the November 5, 2024 General Election is below.

Polls are open from 7 am – 8 pm.

POLLING PLACE LOCATION:





