

March 2, 2010

Board of Supervisors  
Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District  
3501 Civic Center Drive  
San Rafael, CA 94903

**SUBJECT:** Consider Adoption of a Resolution Calling for an Election to Impose a Special Tax to be Levied Upon Parcels Located within Flood Control Zone No. 7, Santa Venetia

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:** Conduct Public Hearing and Adopt the Resolution

**SUMMARY:** At your February 2, 2010 meeting, your Board noticed today's public hearing to consider adoption of a resolution calling for an election to impose a special tax to be levied upon parcels located within Flood Control Zone No. 7, Santa Venetia. The special tax measure would be placed on the June 8, 2010 ballot and would fund the replacement of Pump Station No. 2, improvements to Estancia Ditch, and an evaluation of the Las Gallinas Creek levee. The duration of the tax measure would be 10 years.

At the February 2, 2010 Zone 7 Advisory Board meeting, staff consulted with the Advisory Board on the proposed resolution for the special tax measure. They unanimously recommend that your Board adopt the resolution, and also requested that staff clarify the proposed tax amount to be charged to parcels with a use code of multiple residential.

In reviewing the charges, staff recommends separate tax charges for multiple residential improved and commercial properties in order to ensure a fair and equitable tax rate, while still securing enough revenue to meet the zone's anticipated loan obligation. Attached for your consideration is the revised resolution which contains the new proposed tax charges.

In order to meet mandatory administrative deadlines for placing the measure on the June 8, 2010 ballot, the signed resolution calling for the measure to be placed on the ballot must be submitted to the Registrar of Voters no later than Friday, March 12.

**FISCAL/STAFFING IMPACT:** No fiscal impact to the General Fund. The funds raised through passage of the measure would be used to secure and repay loans to finance implementation of the flood control projects named above.

<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Auditor-Controller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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Principal Civil Engineer