

VOTER'S BOOKLET
MEASURES, ANALYSES AND ARGUMENTS

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OROVILLE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE G

ATHLETIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF 2008.

To remodel and upgrade the Harrison Stadium Sports Complex, including synthetic all weather track, football and soccer fields, paved parking, bleachers, disabled access, press box, bathrooms, landscaping, irrigation, scoreboards and lights, and using any remaining bond proceeds to improve Oroville High School and Las Plumas High School athletic facilities, shall the Oroville Union High School District issue \$12,000,000 of bonds at legal interest rates with an independent citizen's oversight committee, annual audits and NO money for administrator salaries?

OROVILLE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "G" BY BUTTE
COUNTY COUNSEL

This analysis of the general obligation bond measure for the Oroville Union High School District ("District"), Measure G, is prepared and submitted in accordance with Elections Code Section 9500. Measure G does not propose to amend or add to existing law. If approved, the issuance of the bonds will be in conformance with the laws of the State of California.

If fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the votes cast by the qualified voters in the District on the measure are "Bonds-Yes", the measure will be approved, and the District will be authorized to incur a bonded indebtedness in the principal amount of up to \$12,000,000.00 and to levy ad valorem taxes on taxable property within the District to pay for the amount of bonded indebtedness plus interest. If the measure is not approved by at least 55% of the votes cast, the measure will fail and the bonds will not be issued.

The bonds will bear interest at a rate not exceeding the legal limit. Interest will be established at the time of sale, depending on the market rates at that time. If issued under the Government Code, the maximum duration of the bonds cannot exceed forty (40) years. If issued under the Education Code, the maximum duration of the bonds cannot exceed twenty-five (25) years. The exact effect on tax rates cannot be determined until after the bonds are sold.

Proposition 13, approved in 1978, amended the California Constitution by adding Article XIII A limiting ad valorem taxes on real property to one percent (1%) on the value of the property. Article XIII A was amended in 1986 by adding an exception providing that the 1% limitation does not apply to taxes

used to pay interest and redemption charges on certain bonds. Taxes levied to pay the interest and principal of these District Bonds would be within this exception and not subject to the 1% limitation.

The funds derived from the sale of these bonds could be expended by the District only for the purposes specified in the ballot measure, namely to remodel and upgrade the Harrison Stadium Sports Complex, including synthetic all weather track, football and soccer fields, paved parking, bleachers, disabled access, press box, bathrooms, landscaping, irrigation, scoreboards and lights, and using any remaining bond proceeds to improve Oroville High School and Las Plumas High School athletic facilities. The proceeds will not be used for any other purpose, including payment of teacher or administrator salaries or other operating expenses. To assure that funds are spent only as specified in the measure, Measure G requires the appointment of a citizens' oversight committee and completion of annual financial audits.

/s/Bruce S. Alpert
Butte County Counsel

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure G. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Elections Official's Office at 800-894-7761 or 530-538-7761 and a copy will be mailed to you at no cost.

EXHIBIT D

Tax Rate Statement In Connection With
Oroville Union High School District

An election will be held in the Oroville Union High School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008, on the question of issuing bonds in the principal amount of \$12,000,000 to finance school facilities as described in the bond measure. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in a single series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be paid from taxes levied on taxable property in the District. The following tax rate information is given to comply with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code.

Based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement:

1. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed

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MEASURE G - TAX RATE STATEMENT CONTINUED

valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$0.02166 (\$21.66 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2009-10.

2. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required 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 \$0.02166 (\$21.66 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2009-10.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$0.02166 (\$21.66 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

4. The best estimate of the average annual 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 \$0.02063 (\$20.63 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the *assessed value* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, *not* on the property's market 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 the County Assessor to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing estimated tax rate information is partly based on assumptions and projections. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presented above, because of variations from the assumed 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 the 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: July 16, 2008

/s/Oran Roberts, Superintendent
Oroville Union High School District

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

The Oroville Union High School District, the Oroville Area Sports Initiative Supporters (OASIS) and the youth of the greater Oroville community need your Yes vote on Measure G.

The Oroville community treasure known as Harrison Stadium is in danger of becoming obsolete if major work is not done to renovate this facility in a timely manner. Built in 1972, Harrison Stadium is now in need of a major facelift so it can again be the outstanding community venue it was built to be for our children and our community.

In addition to the Oroville Union High School District, Harrison Stadium is used by local elementary schools, school graduations, school bands, local youth sports organizations such as the Oroville Youth Soccer Club, the Rhinos, and the Eagles; the North State Lions Clubs, local law enforcement agencies, and the National Guard, to name a few.

All monies raised by the Oroville Union High School District bond will stay in our community to rebuild Harrison Stadium. The bond will provide funds to upgrade the buildings and bleachers, making them handicapped accessible. Installation of proper irrigation, drainage, updated field lighting and paved landscaped parking lots will certainly bring the facility back to a proud community venue. An all weather synthetic track and field will allow the stadium to be used year round. Any funds remaining once the stadium is rebuilt will be split equally to renovate athletic facilities at Las Plumas and Oroville High Schools.

A good quality of life is essential to any growing community. Returning this facility to a state of the art status only enhances our community's ability to attract new businesses and residents to the Oroville area.

Please support Oroville Union High School District's Measure G. Passing the bond will make a significant positive impact on the lives of all Oroville students and the community at large.

/s/ Mark Lundberg, M.D., Chairman of O.A.S.I.S.
/s/ Gordon Andoe, Former Oroville Mayor
/s/ Michael L. Ramsey, Butte County District Attorney
/s/ Mitchel "J" Brown, Retired Police Chief
/s/ Charlotte Ross, Concerned citizen

**NO ARGUMENT WAS SUBMITTED
AGAINST MEASURE G**

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EXHIBIT C

Full Text of the Measure

Measure G is a \$12 million general obligation bond measure that will provide funding for improvements at the Harrison Stadium Sports Complex and, if there are any remaining bond proceeds, at the Oroville High School and Las Plumas High School athletic facilities. The following information is provided to help voters better understand Measure G.

• What will the funds of Measure G provide to the District?

Measure G will remodel and upgrade the Harrison Stadium Sports Complex and, if there are any remaining bond proceeds, at the Oroville High School and Las Plumas High School athletic facilities. Bond proceeds shall be used for the following school facility projects:

- Remodel and upgrade the Harrison Stadium Sports Complex by installing synthetic all weather track, football and soccer fields, paved parking lots, new home and visitor bleachers, disabled access, press box, snack bar, bathrooms, landscaping, irrigation, scoreboards and lights
- Remodel and upgrade Oroville High School athletic facilities
- Remodel and upgrade Las Plumas High School athletic facilities

The District Board of Trustees certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing this list.

The bond proceeds will be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and not for any other purposes, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expense. More specifically, the bond proceeds will only be expended to replace, renovate, construct, and equip any of the above stated facilities of the District. The projects which have been described include all related and incidental costs including design, engineering, architecture, construction management, inspection fees, and other professional services as well as utilities, site preparation, landscaping, and other incidental costs. It may be necessary for the District to alter specific projects or their costs as required by conditions which arise during the course of design, construction and/or renovation. The District may alter any of the specific projects which have been listed as required by conditions which arise during the course of design, construction, and/or renovation.

• What is a general obligation bond?

General obligation ("G.O.") bonds fund projects such as the renovation of existing school facilities, and the construction of new schools and classrooms. Similar to a home loan, G.O. bonds are repaid over time - typically 25 to 30 years. The loan repayment comes from a tax on all taxable property - residential, commercial, agricultural and industrial - located in the District. Interest on the bonds will be set at the lowest possible rate within legal limits.

• How can I be sure that Measure G funds will be spent on improving our schools?

By law, the payment of administrative salaries from bond funds is strictly prohibited. In addition, the District shall establish a Citizen's Oversight Committee (the "Committee") and will appoint the members of the Committee to be made up of a minimum of seven members comprised of at least the following: one member shall be active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization, one member shall be active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, one member shall be active in a senior citizens' organization, one member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and one member shall be both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization. The District shall cause the proceeds of the bonds to be deposited in a separate account. The District shall annually cause to be prepared financial and performance audits related to the expenditure of the bond proceeds to ensure funds have only been expended on the specific projects listed. The District shall also cause an annual report to be prepared by the District's Chief Business Official containing a status report of all the authorized projects and containing the amount of funds collected and expended.