

County of Santa Cruz

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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AGENDA: JUNE 8, 1999

May 26, 1999

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26, HIDDEN VALLEY

1999/2000 BENEFIT ASSESSMENT RATES

Members of the Board:

Public Works has received written notification from representatives of County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, that they wish to increase the benefit assessment rates for the 1999/2000 fiscal year for Zones "B" through "G."

The proposed increase of \$1,000 per parcel will provide the service area with an additional \$68,000 for the construction of a retaining wall needed to prevent road failure on Hidden Valley Road in an area that provides access to 68 property owners in the six zones. Two zones, "A" and Muir Drive, do not benefit from the repair, and are therefore not included in today's action. Rates for these zones were considered by your Board on May 18, 1999.

As County service area fees are considered benefit assessments, any increase in rates must comply with Proposition 2 18 procedures. These procedures require that an increase in the benefit assessment rate can only be charged if an election is held and the increase is approved by at least half of the votes cast by the property owners, with the votes weighted according to the amount of the proposed assessment of each parcel. Furthermore, a public hearing must be held to consider any protests to the proposed increase.

We have attached the Engineer's Report, Notice of Public Hearing, resolutions, and ballots for your Board's approval. The resolution sets August 3, 1999, as the public hearing date on the proposed rates. The ballots, notice of public hearing, and resolutions are all in accordance with Board established rules for conducting ballot proceedings for assessments under Article XIIID, Section 4 of the California State Constitution.

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It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors take the following action:

- 1. Accept and approve the Engineer's Report for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."
- Adopt the attached Resolutions of Intention to Authorize and Levy an Assessment for Road Maintenance Operation within the various County Service Areas.
- 3. Approve the attached notice of public hearing, ballot procedure, and ballots for the proposed increased 1999/2000 assessment for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."
- 4. Set Tuesday, August 3, 1999, during the Board of Supervisors morning agenda (which begins at 9:00 a.m.) as the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed increased assessment rates for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" and direct the Clerk of the Board to publish a summary notice of the public hearing.
- 5. Direct the Department of Public Works to mail ballots to the record owners of properties subject to the proposed assessments within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."

Yours truly,

JOHN A. FANTHAM
Director of Public Works

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

copy to: Public Works

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FISCAL YEAR 1999/2000 COUNTY SERVICE AREA PROPOSED BENEFIT ASSESSMENT RATES

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>District</u>	Rate - \$ Per Year	Rate - \$ Per Year
26	Hidden Valley	(1)		
	Zone B:		\$48.86	\$1,048.86 per parcel
	Zone C:		\$73.29	\$1,073.29 per parcel
	Zone D:		\$ 97.72	\$1,097.72 per parcel
	Zone E:		\$122.15	\$1,122.15 per parcel
	Zone F:		\$146.58	\$1,146.58 per parcel
	Zone G:		\$171.01	\$1,171.01 per parcel

ENGINEER'S REPORT REGARDING PROPOSED BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26, HIDDEN VALLEY ZONES "B" THROUGH "G"

The undersigned submits this written Engineer's Report to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

- 1. <u>Engineer's Report</u>. This Engineer's Report is for a benefit assessment set forth below.
- 2. <u>Authorization</u>. This Engineer's Report is submitted pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.
- 3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is proposed is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "**B**" through "G" road maintenance and operations.
- 4. <u>Proposed Funding</u>. The services in this County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" are proposed to be funded by a benefit assessment levied under County Service Area law and in accordance with Article XIIID of the Constitution.
- 5. <u>Necessity for Engineer's Report</u>. This Engineer's Report is required for this proposed increased assessment by the provisions of Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.
- 6. <u>Limitation upon Expending Assessment Proceeds.</u> Any funds collected from the benefit assessment proposed herein shall be expended only for road maintenance and operations services to benefit the properties within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G." Any unexpended **funds** raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.
- 7. <u>Newbenefit</u> assessment to raise revenue to **fund** services is hereby proposed to be levied upon real property within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G," excepting any unbuildable parcels, common areas, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 and less. It has been determined that no publicly owned property receives a special benefit from this proposed assessment.
- 8. <u>Assessment Rate.</u> The rate of assessment for the fiscal year 1999/2000 and the maximum rate for each year thereafter is proposed as follows:
 - A. The assessment rate for 1999/2000 shall be as follows:

Zone B: \$1,048.86 per parcel

Zone C: \$1,073.29 per parcel

Zone D: \$1,097.72 per parcel

Zone E: \$1,122.15 per parcel

Zone F: \$1,146.58 per parcel

Zone G: \$1,171.01 per parcel

Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or **Environmental** Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

- B. For each fiscal year after 199912000, the assessment rate <u>may</u> be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.
- C. This fee is being increased to pay for a special repair project. The intent is that once sufficient funds have been collected for the project, fees will be reduced accordingly.
 - D. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law,
- E. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon zones of benefit based on length of road used. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.
- 9. <u>Collection</u>. The collection of the proposed assessment shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."
- 10. <u>Determinations of Engineer's Report</u>. The determinations of this written Engineer's Report for the proposed assessment pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution are as follows:
- A. The attached schedule identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed, and sets forth the amount of the assessment for each parcel for the initial fiscal year,
- B. The proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided is as set forth on the attached schedule,
- C. No assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel,
- D. The only benefits assessed are special and any general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel, and
- E. No parcel owned by any agency, the State of California or the United States receives any special benefit from the proposed assessment.

11. <u>Ballot Procedure.</u> As required by Section 4 of Article **XIIID** of the California Constitution, a <u>Property Owner Ballot</u> must be enclosed with the notice of the proposed assessment. This ballot may be used by the owner(s) or by the tenant(s) who are directly liable for payment of the assessment in question of any parcel to express either support for or opposition to the proposed assessment. The ballot instructions will describe the alternative methods for submitting the ballot by mail or by personal delivery, either prior to or at the time of the public hearing.

Upon the close of the public hearing, the returned ballots will be tabulated, both in support of and in opposition to the assessment, with ballots being weighted in accordance with the amount of the proposed assessment, and the results will be announced; provided that, in the event additional time is required to determine whether any ballot has been properly tabulated or to tabulate all the votes, the Board may continue the matter of announcing results to provide such additional time. In the event that ballots in opposition exceed ballots in support, there will be a "majority protest", and the Board will be precluded from proceeding with the proposed assessment.

Based on the foregoing, the undersigned registered engineer submits this written Engineer's Report and recommends adoption of the proposed assessment.



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. _

On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO AUTHORIZE AND LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26, HIDDEN VALLEY ZONES "B" THROUGH "G"

WHEREAS, this Board has caused to be prepared, and on this date has received for filing with the Clerk of this Board, the written Engineer's Report, a copy of which is attached and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A", prepared by a registered professional engineer certified by the State of California for a proposed assessment within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution;

WHEREAS the Engineer's Report determines and specifies all of the following:

- 1. The schedule attached to the original Engineer's Report identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed, and sets forth the amount of the assessment for each parcel for the fiscal year 1999/2000;
- 2. The proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the services to be provided;
- 3. No assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel;
- 4. The only benefits assessed are special and that the general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel.
- 5. No parcel owned by an agency, the State of California or the United States receives any special benefit from the proposed assessment;
- **6.** The duration of the assessment is specified;
- 7. The basis of the assessment is stated; and
- 8. The schedule of the assessment is attached to the original Engineer's Report

WHEREAS, after considering the Engineer's Report, this Board finds it is in the best interest of the County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G." and its owners and inhabitants to declare its intention to levy the proposed assessments each year in accordance with that Report.

- 1. <u>Declaration of Intention</u>. This Board declares its intention under the authority of County Service Area Law commencing with Government Code Section 252 10.1 and Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, to levy an assessment upon real property within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" for the fiscal year 1999/2000 and each year thereafter at a maximum rate not to exceed the following:
 - A. The assessment rate for 1999/2000 shall be as follows:

Zone B:	\$1,048.86 per parcel
Zone C:	\$1,073.29 per parcel
Zone D:	\$1,097.72 per parcel
Zone E:	\$1,122.15 per parcel
Zone F:	\$1,146.58 per parcel
Zone G:	\$1,171.01 per parcel

Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health Regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged.

- B. For each fiscal year after 1999/-2000, the assessment rate <u>may</u> be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area; as published by the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses,
- C. This fee is being increased to pay for a special repair project, The intent is that once sufficient funds have been collected for the project, fees will be reduced accordingly.
- D. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.
- E. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon zones of benefit based on length of road used. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.

- 2. Public Hearing. On August 3, 1999, during the morning agenda (which begins at 9:00 a.m.) in the Meeting Chambers of this Board at 701 Ocean Street, 447 Santa Cruz, California, this Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" assessments, and to consider the ballots described in paragraph 5 and any protests described in paragraph 6.
- 3. <u>Answering Inauiries.</u> This Board designates the Director of Public Works or his authorized representative(s) as the person to answer inquiries regarding the protest proceedings.
- 4. <u>Notice of Public Hearing.</u> The Clerk of this Board is directed to give notice of the public information meeting and of the public protest hearing as follows:
 - Pursuant to Subsections (c) and (d) of Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution, the notice given pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall give the record owner of each identified parcel the amount of the proposed assessment, the total amount thereof chargeable to the whole County Service Area No. 13, Zone B, the amount chargeable to the owner's particular parcel, the duration of such payments, the reason for such assessment, and the basis upon which the amount of the proposed assessment was calculated, together with the date, time and location of a public hearing on the proposed assessment. Each notice shall also include, in a conspicuous place thereon, a summary of the procedures applicable to the completion, return and tabulation of the ballots required, including a disclosure statement that the existence of a majority protest will result in the assessment not being imposed. Each such notice shall contain a ballot whereby each such owner may indicate his or her name, a reasonable identification of the parcel and support or opposition to the proposed assessment.
- The Pronerty Owner Ballot Procedure. As required by Section 4 of Article 5. XIIID of the California Constitution, a Prouerty Owner Ballot must be enclosed with the notice. This ballot may be used by the owner or owners of any parcel to express either support for or opposition to the proposed assessment. The ballot for instructions will describe the alternative methods for submitting the ballot by mail or by personal delivery, either prior to or at the time of the public hearing or protests. Upon the close of the public hearing on the date set for submission of ballots, the returned ballots will be tabulated, both in support of and in opposition to the assessment, with ballots being weighted in accordance with the amount of the proposed assessment, and the results will be announced; provided that, in the event additional time is required to determine whether any ballot has been properly signed by an owner or authorized representative of any owner or to tabulate the votes, the Board may continue the matter of announcing results to provide such additional time. In the event that ballots in opposition exceed ballots in support, there will be a "majority protest", and the Board of Supervisors will be precluded from proceeding with the proposed assessment.

6. Protests. Any protest pertaining to the validity of the assessment or the 448 regularity or sufficiency of the proceedings shall be in writing and shah clearly and specifically set forth the alleged irregularity or defect. Any grounds of protest not stated in a written protest filed prior to the close of the public hearing shall be deemed waived.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT REGARDING PROPOSED BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26, HIDDEN VALLEY ZONES "B" THROUGH "G"

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The undersigned submits this written Engineer's Report to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

- 1. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> This Engineer's Report is for a benefit assessment set forth below.
- 2. <u>Authorization.</u> This Engineer's Report is submitted pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.
- 3. <u>Purpose of the Assessment</u>. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is proposed is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" road maintenance and operations.
- 4. <u>Proposed Funding</u>. The services in this County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" are proposed to be **funded** by a benefit assessment levied under County Service Area law and in accordance with Article XIIID of the Constitution.
- 5. <u>Necessity for Engineer's Report.</u> This Engineer's Report is required for this proposed increased assessment by the provisions of Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution.
- 6. <u>Limitation upon Expending Assessment Proceeds.</u> Any **funds** collected from the benefit assessment proposed herein shall be expended only for road maintenance and operations services to benefit the properties within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G." Any unexpended funds raised by the assessment remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried over for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.
- 7. <u>Newe</u>nefit assessment to raise revenue to fund services is hereby proposed to be levied upon real property within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G," excepting any unbuildable parcels, common areas, and parcels with an assessed value of \$5,000.00 and less. It has been determined that no publicly owned property receives a special benefit from this proposed assessment.
- 8. <u>Assessment Rate</u>. The rate of assessment for the fiscal year 1999/2000 and the maximum rate for each year thereafter is proposed as follows:.
 - A. The assessment rate for 1999/2000 shall be as follows:

Zone B: \$1,048.86 per parcel

Zone C: \$1,073.29 per parcel

Zone D: \$1,097.72 per parcel

Zone E: \$1,122.15 per parcel

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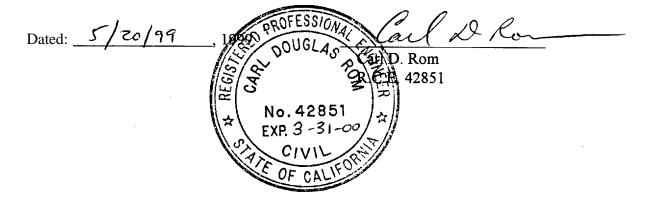
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- B. For each fiscal year after 1999/2000, the assessment rate <u>may</u> be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would <u>not</u> increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.
- C. This fee is being increased to pay for a special repair project. The intent is that once sufficient funds have been collected for the project, fees will be reduced accordingly.
 - D. The lien date shall be that prescribed by law.
- E. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon zones of benefit based on length of road used. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. No assessment exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel.
- 9. <u>Collection</u>. The collection of the proposed assessment shall be by the County of Santa Cruz on behalf of County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G" in the same manner, and subject to the same penalties, as other fees, charges, and taxes fixed and collected by or on behalf of all County Service Areas. The County may deduct its reasonable costs incurred for that service before resubmittal of the balance to the account of County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."
- 10. <u>Determinations of Engineer's Report</u>. The determinations of this written Engineer's Report for the proposed assessment pursuant to Article XIIID, Section 4 of the Constitution are as follows:
- A. The attached schedule identifies and describes all parcels which have a special benefit conferred on them and on which the assessment will be imposed, and sets forth the amount of the assessment for each parcel for the initial fiscal year,
- B. The proportionate special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the road maintenance and operations service to be provided is as set forth on the attached schedule,
- C. No assessment is imposed on any parcel which exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel,
- D. The only benefits assessed are special and any general benefits have been separated from the special benefits conferred on each parcel, and
- E. No parcel owned by any agency, the State of California or the United States receives any special benefit from the proposed assessment.

11. <u>Ballot Procedure</u>. As required by Section 4 of Article XIIID of the California Constitution, a <u>Property Owner Ballot</u> must be enclosed with the notice of the proposed assessment. This ballot may be used by the owner(s) or by the tenant(s) who are directly liable for payment of the assessment in question of any parcel to express either support for or opposition to the proposed assessment. The ballot instructions will describe the alternative methods for submitting the ballot by mail or by personal delivery, either prior to or at the time of the public hearing.

Upon the close of the public hearing, the returned ballots will be tabulated, both in support of and in opposition to the assessment, with ballots being weighted in accordance with the amount of the proposed assessment, and the results will be announced; provided that, in the event additional time is required to determine whether any ballot has been properly tabulated or to tabulate all the votes, the Board may continue the matter of announcing results to provide such additional time. In the event that ballots in opposition exceed ballots in support, there will be a "majority protest", and the Board will be precluded from proceeding with the proposed assessment.

Based on the foregoing, the undersigned registered engineer submits this written Engineer's Report and recommends adoption of the proposed assessment.



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASED ASSESSMENT TO ... FUND ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION SERVICES WITHIN

#### COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26, HIDDEN VALLEY, ZONES "B" THROUGH "G"

#### [SUMMARY]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, August 3, 1999, during the morning agenda (which begins at 9:00 a.m.), in the Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, California, to consider the adoption of proposed resolutions authorizing and levying increased assessments in compliance with Proposition 2 18 ("The Taxpayers Right to Vote Initiative") for the purpose of providing **funding** for road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G."

Proposition 2 18, which was approved by the voters at the November 1996 general election, includes provisions that an increased benefit assessment to provide road maintenance and operation services can only be charged under Proposition 218 if it is approved by at least half of the votes cast by the property owners (or tenants who are directly liable for paying the proposed assessments) with the votes weighted according to the amount of the proposed assessment of each parcel. In accordance with Proposition 2 18, assessment ballots have been mailed to all record owners of parcels which would be subject to the proposed assessment. The Board of Supervisors will receive assessment ballots and any protests to the proposed assessment proceedings or assessments until the close of the public hearing on August 3, 1999.

A copy of the Notice of Public Hearing, Ballot Procedure, and Ballot for an Assessment to Provide Funding for Road Maintenance and Operation Services within County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley, zones "B" through "G," the Engineer's Report, and the Balloting Rules are available at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean Street, Room 500, Santa Cruz, California.

<u>Note:</u>public may attend the public hearing and/or comment on this matter. Testimony may be presented in person or submitted in written form prior to the hearing and made a part of the hearing record.

The County complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Questions regarding accommodation under the ADA should be directed to the Clerk of the Board at **454-2323.** 

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
By: Susan M. Rozario
Chief Deputy Clerk

### **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BALLOT PROCEDURE, AND BALLOT FOR AN ASSESSMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION SERVICES WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 26 (HIDDEN VALLEY, ZONES B THROUGH G)

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, August 3, 1999 during the morning's agenda (which begins at 9:00 a.m.), in the Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, California, to consider the adoption of a proposed resolution authorizing and levying an assessment in compliance with Proposition 218 ("The Taxpayers Right to Vote Initiative") for the purpose of providing funding for road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zones B through G).

Proposition 218, which was approved by the voters at the November, 1996 general election, includes provisions that a new benefit assessment to provide road maintenance and operation services can only be charged under Proposition 218 if it is approved by at least half of the votes cast by the property owners (or tenants who are directly liable for paying the proposed assessments) with the votes weighted according to the amount of the proposed assessment of each parcel.

Enclosed is your Official Mailed Assessment Ballot for you to vote on whether to approve the proposed assessment to provide funding for Whitehouse Canyon road maintenance and operation services.

Please see "Assessment Ballot Instructions" printed on the next page.

#### ASSESSMENT BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

#### HOW TO VOTE YOUR ASSESSMENT BALLOT

The enclosed ballot is to be used to express support for or opposition to the proposed assessment for road maintenance and operation services. In order to be counted, the Ballot Declaration must be completed and signed by the property owner, or by a tenant whose lease or other rental agreement expressly requires that the tenant directly pay assessments, and the Ballot returned in accordance with these instructions.

- 1. Use a pen to mark an "X" next to "Yes" or "No" to cast your vote.
- 2. Complete and sign the ballot declaration.

#### RETURNING YOUR ASSESSMENT BALLOT

- 1. Place the ballot in the ballot return envelope, and seal the envelope.
- 2. Deliver the ballot return envelope either by mail or in person as follows:

<u>Mail Delivery</u>: If by mail, mail with the required postage stamp no later than July 27, 1999. Mailing later than this deadline creates the risk that the ballot may not be received in time to be counted.

<u>Personal Delivery:</u> If in person, deliver to the Public Works Department at any time up to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 3, 1999, at 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, California, Room 410, or at the hearing itself at 9:00 a.m. on that date at **701** Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, California, Board Chambers.

Regardless of which method of delivery is used, the ballot must be <u>received</u> in the ballot return envelope prior to the close of the public hearing on Tuesday, August 3, 1999, to be counted.

If you wrongly stamp, tear, or deface this ballot, write "spoiled" across the face of the ballot, and return it to the Santa Cruz County Public Works Department, 701 Ocean Street, Room 410H, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 and another ballot will be issued to you. If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 831-454-2160.

The following pages contain additional information regarding the proposed assessment, assessment procedures, and protests.

CSA26 Shall the County of Santa Cruz be authorized to collect assessments to provide road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No.26 (Hidden Valley, Zones B through G) by an annual assessment, with consumer price index increases (if necessary to pay approved expenditures) or decreases?

#### ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1. <u>Total Assessments within Service Area.</u> The total amount of the proposed assessments for Hidden Valley road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No. 26 (Zones B through G) for the 1999-00 fiscal year is \$75011.41.
- 2. Amount of Assessment on Parcel. The amount of the proposed assessment on your parcel for the 1999-00 fiscal year is stated on the enclosed Assessment Ballot.
- 3. <u>Duration of Assessment.</u> This fee is being increased to pay for a special repair project. The intent is that once sufficient funds hrave been collected for the project, fees will be reduced accordingly.
- 4. Reason for Assessment. The express purpose for which this benefit assessment is levied is to provide a source of funding for County Service Area road maintenance and operations. Pursuant to Proposition 218, an assessment can be used to pay for special benefits conferred on real property by dovernmental facilities and services. However, a new assessment is only permitted under Proposition 218 if ballots are mailed to all record owners subject to the proposed assessment and prior to the close of the public hearing set for the æssessment at least as many ballots are submitted in favor of the assessment as are submitted in opposition to the assessment, with the ballots weighted according to the amount of the proposed assessment on each parcel. If the weighted ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment exceed the weighted ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, a "majority protest" exists, and the proposed assessment

cannot be charged.

- 5. Basis for Assessment. The foregoing schedules and rates are based upon zones of benefit based on the length of road used to access the property. The assessment is proportional to the special benefit derived by each identified parcel in relationship to the entirety of the cost of the property related service being provided. The assessment rate schedule is as follows:
  - a. Zone B. \$1,048.86 per parcel
    Zone C. \$1,073.29 per parcel
    Zone D. \$1,097.72 per parcel
    Zone E. \$1,122.15 per parcel
    Zone F. \$1,146.58 per parcel
    Zone G. \$1,171.01 per parcel
- b. For each fiscal year after 1999-00, the assessment rate may be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future) for the prior calendar year. The assessment rate will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses, and would not increase automatically each year. If in any year the assessment rate is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the assessment rate and the rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the assessment rate as necessary to meet approved expenses.

Common areas, parcels which have been determined to be unbuildable by the Planning Department or Environmental Health regulations, and parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, will not be charged. Except as shown on the schedule attached to the Engineer's Report, no parcel owned by an agency, the State of California or the United States receives any special benefit from the proposed assessment.

proposed assessment.

#### **BALLOT PROCEDURES**

#### 1. Persons Entitled to Ballot.

- a. Record Owners. The record owner of each parcel is as set forth on the Assessors current master property record on the date the mailing list for the assessment is generated. In accordance with Article XIIID, notice, including the ballot, in these proceedings shall be mailed to the record owner of each parcel as shown on the Assessor's master property record.
- b. <u>Tenants</u>. A tenant who holds a tenancy of real property and whose lease or other rental agreement expressly requires that the tenant directly pay assessments, such as the proposed assessment, may submit a ballot for the parcel. When the authority of a tenant is established, the ballot of the tenant shall be counted in place of any ballot submitted by the owner. There is, however, no duty to seek out or give special notice to tenants.
- 2. One Ballot per Parcel. Only one ballot shall be counted for each parcel, even if there are co-owners or co-tenants. If more than one co-owner or co-tenant, respectively, should submit a ballot and the ballots are in agreement after considering withdrawals, then one ballot shall be counted for the parcel. If more than one co-owner or co-tenant, respectively, should submit a ballot and the ballots are in conflict after considering withdrawals, then no ballot shall be counted for that parcel.

#### **PROTESTS**

1. In addition to the ballots in favor of or in opposition to the proposed assessment, the Board of Supervisors will also consider any other protests to the proposed assessments at the public hearing. Any protest pertaining to the validity of the assessment or the regularity or sufficiency of the proceedings shall be in writing and shall clearly and specifically set forth the alleged irregularity or defect. Any grounds of protest not stated in a written protest filed prior to the close of the public hearing shall be

deemed waived.

2. The Board of Supervisors retains authority otherwise conferred by law to make changes in the boundaries of the proposed assessment area, in the extent of the services to be provided, and in the amount of the assessment (including the amounts of any individual assessments) provided, however the assessment area shall not be expanded nor any assessment increased beyond that specified by this notice without new notice and proceedings in compliance with all laws.

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The County complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Questions regarding accommodation under the ADA should be directed to the ADA Coordinator at 454-2323.

A copy of the proposed Resolution, the Engineer's Report, and the Balloting Rules are available at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean Street, Room 500, Santa Cruz, California.

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## **Ballot for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley Road Maintenance and Operation Services Assessment**

APN: ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1,0 Zone B	048.86		
<b>Ballot Question:</b>			
Shall the County of Santa Cr maintenance and operation serv B) by an annual assessment, with expenditures) or decreases?	ices within Cou	nty Service Area No	. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zone
	Yes	No	
<b>Ballot Declaration:</b>			
I, the undersigned, declare that I a identified by the Tax Parcel Numb of a spouse who holds a communi a general partner or legal represer a corporate landowner, trust, estate other rental agreement expressly proposed assessment.	per set forth above ty property intere- ntative of a corpo- e, or public agence	e as (1) sole owner, (2 est, all joint tenants, o orate general partner, cy, or (5) as a tenant	2) an owner acting on behalf r all tenants in common, (3) (4) a legal representative of of the parcel whose lease or
I declare under penalty of perjury 1999, at			_day of,
	_	Signature	
	_	Name (Printed)	

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APN: ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1,0 Zone C	973.29	
<b>Ballot Question:</b>		
maintenance and operation serv	ices within C	orized to collect assessments to provide road County Service Area No. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zone orice index increases (if necessary to pay approved
	Yes	No
<b>Ballot Declaration:</b>		
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I declare under penalty of perjury 1999, at	that this dec	laration made this day of, is true and correct.
		Signature
		Name (Printed)

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APN: ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1,097.72 Zone D	
<b>Ballot Question:</b>	
maintenance and operation services within	thorized to collect assessments to provide road in County Service Area No. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zone ir price index increases (if necessary to pay approved
Yes	No
<b>Ballot Declaration:</b>	
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I declare under penalty of perjury that this days 1999, at, Californ	declaration made this day of, nia, is true and correct.
	Signature
	Name (Printed)

ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1,122.15 Zone E
Ballot Question:
Shall the County of Santa Cruz be authorized to collect assessments to provide road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zone E) by an annual assessment, with consumer price index increases (if necessary to pay approved expenditures) or decreases?
Yes N o
Ballot Declaration:
I, the undersigned, declare that I am authorized to cast all the vote on the assessment for the parcel identified by the Tax Parcel Number set forth above as (1) sole owner, (2) an owner acting on behalf of a spouse who holds a community property interest, all joint tenants, or all tenants in common, (3) a general partner or legal representative of a corporate general partner, (4) a legal representative of a corporate landowner, trust, estate, or public agency, or (5) as a tenant of the parcel whose lease or other rental agreement expressly requires that the tenant directly pay assessments, such as the proposed assessment.
1 declare under penalty of perjury that this declaration made this day of, 1999, at, California, is true and correct.
Signature
Name (Printed)

**APN:** 

APN: ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1,146.58 Zone F
Ballot Question:
Shall the County of Santa Cruz be authorized to collect assessments to provide road maintenance and operation services within County Service Area No. 26 (Hidden Valley, Zone F) by an annual assessment, with consumer price index increases (if necessary to pay approved expenditures) or decreases?
Yes No
Ballot Declaration:
I, the undersigned, declare that I am authorized to cast all the vote on the assessment for the parcel identified by the Tax Parcel Number set forth above as (1) sole owner, (2) an owner acting on behalf of a spouse who holds a community property interest, all joint tenants, or all tenants in common, (3) a general partner or legal representative of a corporate general partner, (4) a legal representative of a corporate landowner, trust, estate, or public agency, or (5) as a tenant of the parcel whose lease or other rental agreement expressly requires that the tenant directly pay assessments, such as the proposed assessment.
I declare under penalty of perjury that this declaration made this day of, 1999, at, California, is true and correct.
Signature
Name (Printed)

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## **Ballot for County Service Area No. 26, Hidden Valley Road Maintenance and Operation Services Assessment**

APN: ASSESSEE NAME: ASSESSMENT AMOUNT: \$1 Zone G	1,171.01	
<b>Ballot Question:</b>		
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	Yes	No
<b>Ballot Declaration:</b>		
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