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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Pamela Miller for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board
REPORT BY: Pamela Miller, Clerk of the Board/Admin. Manager, 253-4196
SUBJECT: Request to consolidate Howell Mountain School District bond election

RECOMMENDATION

Clerk of the Board requests adoption of a resolution authorizing consolidation of the Howell Mountain School District bond election with the statewide special election to be held on November 8, 2005.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Howell Mountain School District desires to consolidate its bond election with the statewide special election to be held on November 8, 2005. The School District has adopted Resolution No.2005-05, approving the consolidation of the bond election with the statewide special election and has timely filed the resolution with the Board of Supervisors, as authorized by Elections Code section 10403. Pursuant to Elections Code section 9401, a tax statement will be mailed to the voters with the sample ballot for the bond election.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	As is stated in the District's resolution, all costs incurred by the Elections department will be fully reimbursed by the Howell Mountain Elementary School District.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The District is unable to conduct their own election. Pursuant to the California Education Code and the California Elections Code, the District is requesting the assistance of the County's Registrar of Voters.
Is the general fund affected?	No

Future fiscal impact: None

Consequences if not approved: The District will be unable to conduct the special election to submit to the District's registered voters the question of whether bonds should be sold for the sole purpose of improving, upgrading and renovating school facilities.

Additional Information: None

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Howell Mountain Elementary School District desires to consolidate its bond election with the statewide special election on November 8, 2005. The Board of Trustees of the Howell Mountain School District adopted Resolution No. 2005-05 on August 2, 2005, a copy of which is referenced under Supporting Documents, ordering an election on the question of whether bonds should be issued and sold pursuant to subdivision (b) of section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. Pursuant to Elections Code Sections 10400 and 10401, this district bond election may be consolidated with the statewide special election if ordered by the Board of Supervisors. Elections Code section 10403 requires the School District to file with the Board of Supervisors and the Registrar of Voters, at least 88 days prior to the election, a resolution requesting consolidation and setting forth the exact form of the question to be voted upon at the election. On August 2, 2005, the School District timely filed this resolution requesting consolidation of the bond election with the statewide special election to be held on November 8, 2005.

Elections Code section 9401 requires that a tax rate statement be mailed to the voters with the sample ballot for the bond election. This tax rate statement must be filed with the Registrar of Voters not less than 88 days prior to the election (i.e. August 12, 2005). The School District filed the tax rate statement with the Registrar of Voters on August 2, 2005. The School District has agreed to reimburse the County in full for services performed in conducting the election.

Staff recommends the Board adopt the resolution authorizing consolidation of the Howell Mountain School District bond election with the statewide special election to be held on November 8, 2005.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Howell Mountain Elementary School District Resolution 2005-05
- B . Resolution Calling Election

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zíalcita