



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**

Mono County Elections

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Open Monday—Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

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NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

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 442 Mule Deer Dr., Walker, CA 96107	01 - Antelope
Bridgeport Memorial Hall 73 N. School St., Bridgeport, CA 93517	03 - Bridgeport
Chalfant Community Center 123 Valley Rd., Chalfant Valley, CA 93514	04 - Tri-Valley
June Lake Community Center 90 W. Granite Ave., June Lake, CA 93529	05 - June Lake
Crowley Lake Community Center 58 Pearson Rd., Crowley Lake, CA 93546	07 - Long Valley
*** MOVED *** Mono County Civic Center 1290 Tavern Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546	08 - Mammoth Meadow 09 - Mammoth Minaret 10 - Mammoth Pinecrest 12 - Mammoth View 13 - Old Mammoth

Ballot Drop Box Locations (open 10/8/2024)

All Ballot Boxes are open 24 hours a day and are locked at 8 pm on Election Day

442 Mule Deer Dr., Walker, CA 96107	73 N. School St., Bridgeport, CA 93517
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.

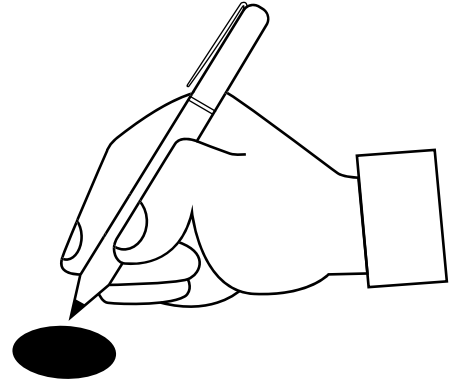
Review your ballot:

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.

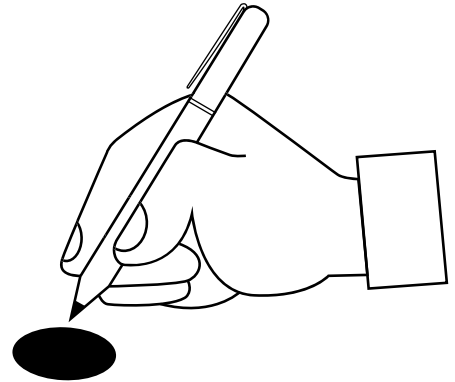
All precincts in Mono County will have election materials available for voters in Spanish. You can request a Spanish translation of your ballot on Election Day at your polling location. To request a Spanish translation of your ballot when voting by mail, please contact the elections office at 760-932-5537.

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 comunicarse con la oficina de Elecciones al 760-932-5537.

To mark your vote



Write-in votes



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

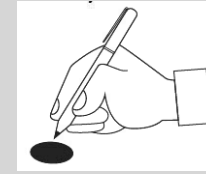


INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

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.

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	STATE MEASURES	
		Vote for One		
PARTY-NOMINATED OFFICES		<input type="radio"/> Jessica Morse Party Preference: Democratic Wildfire Prevention Official	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. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$500 million annually for 35 years to repay the bond. Supporters: California Teachers Association; California School Nurses Organization; Community College League of California Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association	
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT				
President and Vice President of the United States		<input type="radio"/> Kevin Kiley Party Preference: Republican United States Representative		
Vote for One Party				
<input type="radio"/> Claudia De la Cruz For President Peace and Freedom	<input type="radio"/> Karina Garcia For Vice President	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY		
		State Assembly Member District 8		
Vote for One		<input type="radio"/> George Radanovich Party Preference: Republican Family Business Owner		
<input type="radio"/> Kamala D. Harris For President Democratic				
<input type="radio"/> Tim Walz For Vice President		<input type="radio"/> David J. Tangipa Party Preference: Republican Small Business Owner		
<input type="radio"/> Robert F. Kennedy Jr. For President American Independent				
<input type="radio"/> Nicole Shanahan For Vice President		NONPARTISAN OFFICES		
<input type="radio"/> Chase Oliver For President Libertarian		SCHOOL		
		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
<input type="radio"/> Mike ter Maat For Vice President		MONO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION		
<input type="radio"/> Jill Stein For President Green		Member, Board of Education Trustee Area 3		
		Vote for One		
<input type="radio"/> Rudolph Ware For Vice President		<input type="radio"/> Ruth A. Hensley Retired Teacher		
<input type="radio"/> Donald J. Trump For President Republican		<input type="radio"/> Molly K. Rearick Educator / Consultant		
<input type="radio"/> JD Vance For Vice President		<input type="radio"/> Write-in		
<input type="radio"/>		TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES		

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Sample

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	Town Council Member	Opponents: Jonathan Keller, California Family Council; Rev. Tanner DiBella	
Write-in	Vote for no more than Two	<input type="radio"/> Yes	
Voter-Nominated and Nonpartisan Offices Candidates display a party preference (or None) for the information of voters. This is not a party endorsement or approval.	<input type="radio"/> Brent Truax Dad	<input type="radio"/> No	
	<input type="radio"/> Bill Sauser Businessman	<p>4 AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and protection of communities and lands. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond. Supporters: Clean Water Action; CALFIRE Firefighters; National Wildlife Federation; The Nature Conservancy Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association</p>	
VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES			
UNITED STATES SENATOR			
<p>There are two U.S. Senate contests on this ballot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One for the regular 6-year term ending January 3, 2031 • One for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025 <p>You may vote for both contests.</p>	Write-in		
	Write-in		
	SPECIAL DISTRICT		
	SOUTHERN MONO HEALTH CARE DISTRICT		
United States Senator (Full Term) Vote for One	Director Vote for no more than Three		<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> Adam B. Schiff Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative	<input type="radio"/> Alexander Clowes Incumbent		<input type="radio"/> No
<input type="radio"/> Steve Garvey Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative	<input type="radio"/> Laurey Carlson General Manager		
United States Senator (Partial / Unexpired Term) Vote for One	<input type="radio"/> Jennifer Burrows Educator, Registered Nurse		
<input type="radio"/> Adam B. Schiff Party Preference: Democratic United States Representative	<input type="radio"/> C. Ryan Wood Appointed Incumbent		
<input type="radio"/> Steve Garvey Party Preference: Republican Professional Baseball Representative	Write-in		
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Ballot



VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
<p>5 ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing bonds for low- and middle-income Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact: Increased local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing, and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes.</p> <p>Supporters: California Professional Firefighters; League of Women Voters of California; Habitat for Humanity California</p> <p>Opponents: California Taxpayers Association; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; Women Veterans Alliance</p>	<p>34 RESTRICTS SPENDING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires certain providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation of Medi-Cal drug prices.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Supporters: The ALS Association; California Chronic Care Coalition; Latino Heritage Los Angeles</p> <p>Opponents: National Org. for Women; Consumer Watchdog; Coalition for Economic Survival; AIDS Healthcare Foundation; Dolores Huerta</p>	<p>COUNTY</p>	
		<p>Measure K</p>	<p>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?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
		<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>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>i.e.</i>, forcing incarcerated persons to work).</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Supporters: Assemblymember Lori Wilson</p> <p>Opponents: None submitted</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Supporters: Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA; American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists; American Academy of Pediatrics, CA</p> <p>Opponents: None submitted</p>	<p>TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES</p>	
		<p>Measure L</p>	<p>L To support general town services - without increasing taxes on Mammoth Lakes residents - such as providing affordable workforce housing through the Town's Housing Now! Program, supporting public safety, enhancing disaster preparedness, repairing roads, improving recreation amenities and supporting snow removal, shall the Town of Mammoth Lakes' measure increasing the transient occupancy tax by 2% be adopted, generating approximately \$4,000,000 annually for 10-years, paid only by hotel and short-term rental guests, with annual audits and all funds staying local?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
		<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>



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<p>32 RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. INITIATIVE 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 fewer 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 hundreds 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 Opponents: California Chamber of Commerce; California Restaurant Association; California Grocers Association</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>MAMMOTH LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>	<p>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 dollars to the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Local criminal justice costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually. Supporters: Crime Victims United of California; California District Attorneys Association; Family Business Association of California Opponents: Diana Becton, District Attorney Contra Costa County; Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>	<p>M MAMMOTH LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SPECIAL TAX FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES. To reduce the risk of wildfires, maintain and improve rapid response times for 9-1-1 emergency services, attract, retain, and train qualified firefighters, and fund defensible space programs to improve wildfire prevention, shall the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District ordinance levying \$98 per parcel for nine years be adopted, providing approximately \$925,000 annually in locally controlled funding, an optional yearly increase not to exceed CPI, with senior and low-income exemptions, independent oversight, annual audits and all money spent locally?</p>
<p>33 EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Repeals Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995, which currently prohibits local ordinances limiting initial residential rental rates for new tenants or rent increases for existing tenants in certain residential properties. Fiscal Impact: Reduction in local property tax revenues of at least tens of millions of dollars annually due to likely expansion of rent control in some communities. Supporters: CA Nurses Assoc.; CA Alliance for Retired Americans; Mental Health Advocacy; Coalition for Economic Survival; Tenants Together Opponents: California Council for Affordable Housing; Women Veterans Alliance; California Chamber of Commerce</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>SCHOOL</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p>	<p>MAMMOTH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>Measure J</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds - Yes</p>	<p>J MAMMOTH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL SAFETY AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURE. With funds that cannot be taken by the State and spent elsewhere, shall Mammoth Unified School District's measure to construct classrooms; upgrade heating, air conditioning and ventilation systems; improve school facilities; and construct teacher/staff housing to attract and retain qualified employees be adopted, authorizing \$70 million in bonds, at legal rates, levying approximately \$37 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$4.5 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, independent audits, and full disclosure of spending?</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds - No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds - Yes</p>	
<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds - No</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Bonds - No</p>	

Ballot



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

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.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 3**

JESSICA MORSE

AGE: 42

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. I joined 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 you'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 Zaroni, 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: davidtangipaforasassembly.com



**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MONO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, AREA #3**

RUTH A HENSLEY

Occupation: Retired Teacher

Education and Qualifications: I am honored to announce my candidacy for the Mono County Board of Education. As a 30-year resident of Mammoth Lakes and a retired educator with 29 years of experience teaching at Mammoth Elementary, Mammoth Middle, and Sierra High Schools, I bring a deep understanding of our community's educational needs.

I hold a Bachelor's degree in Business Management, a Master's degree in Curriculum Design and Instruction, and I am a licensed Realtor. Additionally, I have served in the US Navy Reserve and have taught in both Africa and Japan. My diverse background equips me with the skills necessary to address the challenges and opportunities within our school system.

Having dedicated my career to the students and families of Mammoth Lakes, I am committed to enhancing educational opportunities and supporting our community. I believe my unique perspective and extensive experience make me a valuable resource and collaborative team member for the Mono County Board of Education.

Together, we can ensure that every student in Mono County receives a high-quality education. I humbly ask for your vote and support.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MONO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, AREA #3**

MOLLY K. REARICK, EDD

AGE: 42

Occupation: Educational Consultant & University Faculty

Education and Qualifications: Dr. Molly K. Rearick has worked in education since 2000, including as a special education teacher for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education. She is currently an educational consultant, providing disability-related assessments, guidance, and expert witness testimony to students and their families throughout the State of California. Molly also teaches in the Special Education Department at California State University, Northridge (CSUN), and is Co-Director of the inclusive post-secondary CSUN Explorers program.

Molly earned her doctorate in educational leadership from California State University, Los Angeles in 2015 and also holds a master's degree in special education and a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She has developed and presented dozens of presentations on disability- and education-related topics including and not limited to communication, inclusion, and transition to adulthood.

Molly has lived full time in Mammoth Lakes since 2020, and most of her work is done remotely from the Eastern Sierra. She and her wife Kristi are expecting their first child in November 2024 and are eager to grow their family in this beautiful community. Molly and Kristi both volunteer for multiple groups in the area.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA
LA OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL CONDADO DE MONO, ÁREA 3**

MOLLY K. REARICK, EDD

EDAD: 42

Ocupación: Consultora Educativa & Facultad Universitaria

Educación y Calificaciones: La Dra. Molly K. Rearick ha trabajado en educación desde el año 2000, incluso como maestra de educación especial para la Oficina de Educación del Condado de Santa Cruz. Actualmente es consultora educativa y brinda evaluaciones relacionadas con la discapacidad, orientación y testimonios de testigos expertos a estudiantes y sus familias en todo el estado de California. Molly también enseña en el Departamento de California State University, Northridge (CSUN) y es codirectora del programa inclusivo postsecundario CSUN Explorers.

Molly obtuvo su doctorado en liderazgo educativo de la Universidad Estatal de California, Los Ángeles en 2015 y también tiene una maestría en educación especial y una licenciatura en educación primaria. Ha desarrollado y presentado docenas de presentaciones sobre temas relacionados con la discapacidad y la educación, incluidos, entre otros, la comunicación, la inclusión y la transición a la edad adulta.

Molly ha vivido a tiempo completo en Mammoth Lakes desde 2020 y la mayor parte de su trabajo se realiza de forma remota desde la Eastern Sierra. Ella y su esposa Kristi esperan su primer hijo para noviembre de 2024 y están ansiosas por hacer crecer su familia en esta hermosa comunidad. Molly y Kristi son voluntarias para varios grupos de la zona.



**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF MAMMOTH LAKES TOWN COUNCIL**

BILL SAUSER

Education and Qualifications: My name is Bill Sauser, and I am seeking reelection to the Mammoth Lakes Town Council.

As a longtime resident of Mammoth Lakes I am passionate about our community and its residents. I have proudly served on the Town's Recreation Commission, the Southern Mono Historical Society, the Mammoth Lakes Snowmobile Association, and numerous other community endeavors. I am honored to have served on the Town Council for the past 8 years, meeting the challenges of controlling spending and successfully managing conservative budget projections, resulting in a strong financial position that has allowed us to put millions into housing for our local workforce, and amenities for our town such as the new CRC and has allowed us to maintain current facilities at a much higher level than in the past.

As an enthusiastic ambassador for Mammoth Lakes, I have been a forthright, productive and hardworking representative. I remain totally committed, to the very best of my ability, to ensuring what is best for this special place we all love and call home.

My thanks to you all for your kind consideration. It is my sincerest hope to continue to serve as your representative on council.

Respectfully, Bill Sauser

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO DEL PUEBLO DE MAMMOTH LAKES**

BILL SAUSER

Educación y Calificaciones: Mi nombre es Bill Sauser, y busco la reelección al Concejo del Pueblo de Mammoth Lakes.

Como residente de Mammoth Lakes desde hace mucho tiempo me apasiona nuestra comunidad y sus residentes. He servido con orgullo en la Comisión de Recreación del Pueblo, la Sociedad Histórica de Southern Mono, la Asociación de Motonieves de Mammoth Lakes, y muchos otros proyectos comunitarios. Tengo el honor de haber servido en el Concejo del Pueblo durante los últimos 8 años, enfrentando los desafíos de controlar los gastos y gestionar con éxito las proyecciones presupuestarias conservadoras, lo que ha dado como resultado una posición financiera sólida que nos ha permitido invertir millones en viviendas para nuestra fuerza de trabajo local, y en servicios para nuestro pueblo como el nuevo CRC y nos ha permitido mantener las instalaciones actuales en un nivel mucho más alto que en el pasado.

Como embajador entusiasta de Mammoth Lakes, he sido un representante honesto, productivo y trabajador. Sigo comprometido por completo, con lo mejor de mi capacidad, a asegurar lo mejor para este lugar especial que todos amamos y llamamos hogar.

Les agradezco a todos ustedes su amable consideración. Es mi más sincero deseo seguir sirviendo como su representante en el concejo.

Respetuosamente, Bill Sauser

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
MEMBER OF MAMMOTH LAKES TOWN COUNCIL**

BRENT TRUAX

Education and Qualifications: My wife and I have raised our daughter here and I've seen the many ways our town nurtures families and fosters a strong sense of community. I'm running for Town Council because I'm committed to ensuring that our town remains a place where future generations can thrive.

One of my top priorities is addressing our housing needs. Affordable, quality housing for residents is essential for maintaining the vibrancy of our town. I will work to create opportunities for new developments that respect our town's heritage while meeting the diverse needs of families, seniors, and young professionals.

I'm also deeply committed to enhancing our town's services and infrastructure. My involvement in the community has given me a firsthand understanding of the importance of modernizing our facilities. I will advocate for improvements that ensure our infrastructure meets both current and future demands, while expanding access to essential services.

I ask for your support and your vote in the upcoming election.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO DEL PUEBLO DE MAMMOTH LAKES**

BRENT TRUAX

Educación y Calificaciones: Mi esposa y yo hemos criado a nuestra hija aquí y he visto las muchas maneras en las que nuestro pueblo nutre a las familias y fomenta un fuerte sentido de comunidad. Me postulo para el Concejo del Pueblo porque estoy comprometido a garantizar que nuestro pueblo siga siendo un lugar donde las futuras generaciones puedan prosperar.

Una de mis principales prioridades es abordar nuestras necesidades de vivienda. Una vivienda asequible, y de calidad para los residentes es esencial para mantener la vitalidad de nuestro pueblo. Trabajaré para crear oportunidades de nueva urbanización que respete el patrimonio de nuestro pueblo y al mismo tiempo satisfaga las diversas necesidades de las familias, los adultos mayores, y los jóvenes profesionales.

Además estoy plenamente comprometido a mejorar los servicios y la infraestructura de nuestro pueblo. Mi participación en la comunidad me ha permitido comprender de primera mano la importancia de modernizar nuestras instalaciones. Abogaré por mejoras que garanticen que nuestra infraestructura satisfaga las demandas actuales y futuras, y al mismo tiempo amplíe el acceso a los servicios esenciales.

Les pido su apoyo y su voto en la próxima elección.



**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTHERN MONO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

JENNIFER BURROWS

AGE: 50

Occupation: Educator, RN

Education and Qualifications: The Southern Mono Healthcare District is undergoing significant transformations that will enhance care delivery for the entire community it serves. The hospital's expansion is a pivotal step that will propel the district into the future. With over 20 years of nursing experience, including extensive expertise in emergency, critical care, and public health medicine, I am deeply familiar with our community's current healthcare needs. My background also equips me to anticipate and prepare for future healthcare demands.

Holding a Doctorate in Education with a Specialization in Healthcare Administration, I possess the knowledge and leadership skills necessary to steer the district towards achieving its mission, goals, and outcomes. My previous experience in planning and executing the construction of a new hospital, as well as facilitating the seamless transition of staff and patients to the new facility, has taught me a crucial lesson: the hospital and community's needs today are not the same as those of the future.

The Healthcare District must be equipped to support our community's continued growth. I am the candidate with the requisite experience and vision to ensure the district's success and to meet the evolving needs of our community.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA
EL DISTRITO DE SALUD DE SOUTHERN MONO**

JENNIFER BURROWS

EDAD: 50

Ocupación: Profesora, Enfermera Registrada

Educación y Calificaciones: El Distrito de Salud de Southern Mono está experimentando transformaciones significativas que mejorarán la prestación de atención a toda la comunidad a la que sirve. La ampliación del hospital es un paso fundamental que impulsará al distrito hacia el futuro. Con más de 20 años de experiencia en enfermería, incluida una amplia experiencia en emergencias, cuidados intensivos y medicina de salud pública, estoy profundamente familiarizada con las necesidades de atención médica actuales de nuestra comunidad. Mi experiencia también me capacita para anticipar y prepararme para futuras demandas de atención médica.

Con un Doctorado en Educación con Especialización en Administración de Atención Médica, poseo el conocimiento y las habilidades de liderazgo necesarios para dirigir el distrito hacia el logro de su misión, metas y resultados. Mi experiencia previa en la planificación y ejecución de la construcción de un nuevo hospital, así como en facilitar la transición fluida del personal y los pacientes a las nuevas instalaciones, me ha enseñado una lección crucial: las necesidades del hospital y de la comunidad hoy en día no son las mismas que las del futuro.

El Distrito de Atención Médica debe estar equipado para apoyar el crecimiento continuo de nuestra comunidad. Soy el candidato con la experiencia y la visión necesarias para garantizar el éxito del distrito y satisfacer las necesidades cambiantes de nuestra comunidad.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTHERN MONO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

LAUREY CARLSON

Occupation: General Manager

Education and Qualifications: Like so many, I came to Mammoth for what I thought would be a few months, following my graduation from UCLA with a Bachelor's Degree. Now, a 43-year resident of Mammoth Lakes, it is my great pleasure to serve on the SMHD Board of Directors for the past two terms. For me, it has always been family and community first. I am proud to represent both when it comes to healthcare in our town. Holding an EMT license since 1983, I have experienced firsthand, the importance of great healthcare in a rural setting.

My accomplishments on the Board include propelling replacement of the almost 50-year-old building to ensure we have a state-of-the art facility to support the community for 50+ years to come. I support day-to-day decision making in order to have a fiscally responsible hospital facility.

I have great insight in to current needs. I have been active in creating more workforce housing opportunities and volunteer for many local projects. I understand the role of a board member concerning the Brown Act, confidentiality matters, and personnel matters.

I look forward to continuing as a board member to provide quality health care for residents and guests in the Eastern Sierra.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTHERN MONO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

ALEXANDER CLOWES

AGE: 43

Occupation: Software Engineer

Education and Qualifications: I am running for a second term as a board member to continue the fiscal discipline and quality care that makes Mammoth Hospital successful. In my first term I encouraged hospital management to save money for the new inpatient building by reducing expensive programs and aligning management incentives with fiscal savings, avoiding the need to ask taxpayers to fund a general obligation property tax bond. I worked with management to focus on quality by adopting best practices and investing in tracking and reporting on quality metrics.

My priority is to ensure affordable, accessible, and effective healthcare for our community. I am a software engineer and local business owner. In my career I have worked for health insurance and drug discovery companies, among other fields. I graduated from Stanford University with a bachelors degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering.



MEASURE J

MAMMOTH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATOR HOUSING AND SCHOOL SAFETY AND RENOVATION MEASURE

“With funds that cannot be taken by the State and spent elsewhere, shall Mammoth Unified School District’s measure to construct below-market rental housing to attract/retain qualified teachers/staff, classrooms, and physical education facilities; repair roofs; and update heating/air conditioning be adopted, authorizing \$70 million in bonds, at legal rates, levying approximately \$37 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$4.5 million annually) while bonds are outstanding, with citizen oversight, independent audits, and full disclosure of spending?”

Bonds – Yes

Bonds – No

MEASURE J

MAMMOTH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL SAFETY AND IMPROVEMENT MEASURE

FULL TEXT OF BOND MEASURE

This measure may be known and referred to as the “Mammoth Unified School District School Safety and Improvement Measure” or as “Measure J”.

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55% of the voters of the Mammoth Unified School District (the “District”) voting on the measure, the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$70,000,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed under the heading entitled “BOND PROJECT LIST” below (the “Bond Project List”), and allow the District to qualify to receive potential State of California matching grant funds, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY SAFEGUARDS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific school facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the Constitution of the State of California (the “California Constitution”), and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Sections 15264 and following of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Education of the District (the “Board”) has evaluated the facilities needs of the District to determine which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. To address the facilities needs of the District, the Board deems it necessary and advisable to fund the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Limitations on Use of Bonds. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. More specifically, the Bond Project List provides for the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure and such proceeds shall be applied only to those specific purposes.

Independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee. In accordance with and pursuant to California Education Code Section 15278 *et seq.*, the Board shall establish an independent citizens’ oversight committee, within 60 days of the

date that the Board enters the election results on its minutes pursuant to Section 15274 of the California Education Code, to ensure that (a) bond revenues are expended only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and (b) that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses. In accordance with Section 15282 of the California Education Code, the citizens’ oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members and shall include a member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District, a member active in a senior citizens’ organization, a member active in a bona fide taxpayers’ organization, a member that is a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District, and a member that is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization. The committee may be comprised of the same members of the citizens’ oversight committees for other District bond measures. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the citizens’ oversight committee.

Annual Performance Audits. In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for performance audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

Annual Financial Audits. In compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3)(D) of the California Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000, the Board shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. These audits shall be conducted in accordance with the Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States for financial audits. The results of these audits shall be made publicly available and shall be submitted to the citizens’ oversight committee in accordance with Section 15286 of the California Education Code.

Special Bond Proceeds Account; Annual Report to Board. In compliance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 53410 and following, upon approval of this measure and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be deposited. In compliance with the requirements of California Government Code Section 53411, as long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the chief fiscal officer of the District shall cause a report to be filed with the Board at least once a year, stating (a) the amount of funds collected and expended in that year, and (b) the status of any project required or authorized to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may relate to the calendar year, fiscal year, or other appropriate annual period as the chief fiscal officer of the District shall determine, and may be incorporated into the annual budget, audit, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this measure shall be united and voted upon as one single measure, pursuant to California Education Code Section 15100, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds, and the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be spent only for such purpose, pursuant to California Government Code Section 53410.

Other Terms of the Bonds. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum, and that interest shall be made payable at the time or times permitted by law. The bonds may be issued



and sold in several series, and no bond shall be made to mature more than the statutory maximum number of years from the date borne by that bond.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List below lists the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. The Bond Project List shall be considered a part of this bond measure and shall be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond measure. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school or school facility site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on the Bond Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. In so far as permitted by law, each project is assumed to include its share of costs of the election and bond issuance, construction-related costs, such as project and construction management, architectural, engineering, permitting and entitlements, inspection and similar planning and testing costs, demolition and interim housing costs, legal, accounting and similar fees, costs related to the independent annual financial and performance audits, a contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs, and other costs incidental to or necessary for completion of the listed projects (whether the related work is performed by the District or third parties). The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. In addition, certain project funds expected from non-local bond sources have not yet been secured. Therefore, the Board cannot guarantee that the bond proceeds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Alternatively, if the District obtains unexpected funds from non-local bond sources with respect to listed projects, such projects may be enhanced, supplemented or expanded to the extent of such funds. Some projects may be subject to further government approvals, including by State officials and boards and/or local environmental or agency approval. Inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be completed (regardless of whether bond funds are available).

The specific projects authorized to be financed with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure are as follows:

MAMMOTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at Mammoth Elementary School:

- Construct transitional kindergarten classrooms, restrooms and related facilities.
- Construct a field house and related amenities, including a track, restrooms and storage rooms, to hold recess, physical education classes and sports practices indoors.
- Acquire and install new flooring in the multi-purpose room.
- Construct a new playground area and acquire and install playground equipment, surface and fixtures for such playground.
- Renovate playfield and existing playground and replace existing playground equipment, surface and fixtures with new equipment, surface and fixtures.
- Repair, renovate and/or replace asphalt, concrete and other hard surfaces.
- Acquire and install heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and equipment.
- Replace, renovate, acquire and/or install casework and other interior finishes.
- Improve, correct, restore and/or renovate grounds, buildings, and structures or portions thereof to eliminate or mitigate health and safety risks and/or comply with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

MAMMOTH MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at Mammoth Middle School:

- Replace roofs and remove leaking skylights.
- Update play areas, including relocating playground area and acquiring and installing new playground equipment, surface and fixtures.
- Acquire and install heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and equipment.
- Repair, renovate and/or replace asphalt, concrete and other hard surfaces.
- Improve, correct, restore and/or renovate grounds, buildings, and structures or portions thereof to eliminate or mitigate health and safety risks and/or comply with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

MAMMOTH HIGH SCHOOL PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at Mammoth High School:

- Renovate site entrance to improve visitor access and campus security.
- Make campus safety improvements and ingress/egress, traffic flow, pick-up/drop-off and parking area improvements.
- Repair, renovate and/or replace asphalt, concrete and other hard surfaces.
- Acquire and install heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and equipment.
- Make structural improvements to and/or retrofit existing gymnasium to meet current building codes.
- Install electric vehicle charging stations.
- Improve, correct, restore and/or renovate grounds, buildings, and structures or portions thereof to eliminate or mitigate health and safety risks and/or comply with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

SIERRA HIGH SCHOOL PROJECTS

The following projects are authorized to be financed at Sierra High School and District Office:

- Acquire and install heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and equipment.
- Improve, correct, restore and/or renovate grounds, buildings, and structures or portions thereof to eliminate or mitigate health and safety risks and/or comply with local, state and federal building, health, safety, access and other related requirements, including access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

EDUCATOR HOUSING PROJECTS

Acquisition and/or construction of rental housing units for teachers and staff, including:

- Acquisition of land and any rights-of-way and easements made necessary by construction and/or renovation of such facilities.
- Acquisition and renovation of existing housing units or buildings.
- Planning, designing, constructing and/or renovating such facilities.
- Associated onsite and offsite development and other improvements made necessary by construction of such facilities.
- Acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment related to such facilities.



MISCELLANEOUS

All listed bond projects include the following as needed:

- Planning, designing and providing temporary housing necessary for listed bond projects.
- The inspection, sampling and analysis of grounds, buildings and building materials to determine the presence of hazardous materials or substances, including asbestos, lead, etc., and the encapsulation, removal, disposal and other remediation or control of such hazardous materials and substances.
- Seismic and historical evaluations, site surveys (including topographic, geological and utility surveys), and infrastructure analyses.
- Necessary onsite and offsite preparation or restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable buildings or other temporary buildings, including demolition of structures; removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, drainage, utility lines (gas, water, sewer, electrical, data and voice, etc.), trees and landscaping; and relocating fire access roads or ingress/egress pathways.
- Address other unforeseen conditions revealed by construction, renovation or modernization (including plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic and structural deficiencies, etc.).
- Acquire or construct other improvements required to comply with building codes, including seismic safety requirements, the Field Act, and access requirements.
- Acquisition of any rights-of-way, easements, licenses and/or real property made necessary by listed bond projects, or lease of real property made necessary by the listed bond projects.
- Acquire or construct storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel.
- Furnishing and equipping of classrooms and other school facilities; furnishing and equipping shall include initial purchases, and scheduled and necessary replacements, upgrades and updating of technology.
- All other costs and work necessary or incidental to the listed bond projects.

PROJECTS INVOLVING RENOVATION, REHABILITATION OR REPAIR

For any project involving renovation, rehabilitation or repair of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition) if the Board of Education determines that replacement new construction is more practical than renovation, rehabilitation or repair, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Interpretation. The terms of this bond measure and the words used in the Bond 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 measure within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such words as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used in the Bond Project List to describe school facilities projects in plain English and are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond, or have an effect on,

and shall be interpreted to only permit, what is authorized under Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, California Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. In this regard, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure for current maintenance, operations or repairs. The school facilities projects on the Bond Project List only authorize capital expenditures.

Estimated Ballot Information. The Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this bond measure concur, that the information included in the statement of the bond measure to be voted on pursuant to Section 13119 of the California Elections Code is based upon the District's projections and estimates only and is not binding upon the District. The amount of money to be raised annually and the rate and duration of the tax to be levied for the bonds may vary from those presently estimated due to variations from these estimates in the 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 need for project funds and other factors. 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.

Headings. The headings or titles of the sections of the bond measure, including any headings or titles included in the Bond Project List, are solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of the bond measure.

Severability. The Board and the voters hereby declare that every portion, section, subdivision, paragraph, clause, sentence, phrase, word, application and individual project (individually referred to as "Part" and collectively as "Parts"), of this bond measure has independent value, and the Board and the voters would have adopted each Part hereof regardless of whether any other Part of this bond measure would be subsequently declared invalid. Upon approval of this bond measure by the voters, should any Part of this bond measure 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 Parts of this bond measure are severable.



IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

MEASURE J

Measure J is proposed by the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Mammoth Unified School District (“District”). Pursuant to the California Constitution and Education Code section 15266, a school district may issue general obligation bonds if approved by 55% (or more) of the voters of the District. This measure would authorize the District to issue and sell bonds up to \$70,000,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for specific school facilities projects listed on the Bond Project List in the measure. Approval of the bond measure does not guarantee that all projects on the Bond Project List will be completed; some may be subject to approval by State officials and boards, and/or environmental of other agency approval. Inclusion of a project on the Bond Project List is not a guarantee that the project will be completed (regardless of whether bond funds are available). The Board has certified that it has evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District in developing the Bond Project List.

The proceeds from these bonds may be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

By law the Board must establish an independent citizens’ oversight committee to ensure that bond proceeds are properly expended for items in the Bond Project List. In addition, the Board must conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all proceeds have been spent for the projects listed on the Bond Project List.

If the bonds are approved, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies on taxable real property in the District. These taxes would be in addition to the normal property taxes levied on taxpayers in the District. The amount of the increased taxes each year will depend upon the amount needed to pay the principal and interest on the bonds.

According to the Tax Information Statement, the District estimates that the average annual tax rate that would be levied to fund this bond issue over the duration of the bond debt service is \$36.89 per \$100,000 (3.689 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation. The District estimates that the highest tax rate that would be levied to fund this bond issue is \$41.33 per \$100,000 (4.133 cents per \$100) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2026-27. It is estimated that the final fiscal year that this tax would be collected is 2054-2055. These estimates and the years in which they apply may vary from those currently estimated due to the variations in the 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 repayment term.

A “Yes” vote would permit the Board to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$70,000,000 to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List included in the measure.

A “No” vote would **not** permit the Board to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$70,000,000 to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List included in the measure.

TAX INFORMATION STATEMENT

MESASURE J

An election will be held in the Mammoth Unified School District (the “District”) on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$70,000,000.00 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If the bond measure is approved by at least 55% of the voters of the District voting on the bond measure, the District expects to issue the bonds in multiple series over time. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 through 9405 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$36.89 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax to be levied to fund this bond issue is anticipated to be collected is fiscal year 2054-55.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that 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 \$41.33 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2026-27.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all of the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$130,535,869.00.

Voters should note that 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, which could be more or less than the assessed 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. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property’s assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District’s projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The average annual tax rate, the highest tax rate, the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected and the year or years in which they will apply, and the actual total debt service, may vary from those presently estimated for a variety of reasons, including, without limitation, due to variations in the timing of bond sales, the amount or amortization of bonds sold, market conditions 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 or amortization of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for project funds and other factors, including the legal limitations on bonds approved by a 55% affirmative vote. Market conditions, including, without limitation, interest rates, are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the District and 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. The growth or decline in assessed valuation is the result of a number of economic and other factors outside the control of the District.

Dated: July 1, 2024.

s/Annie Rinaldi
Superintendent
Mammoth Unified School District



ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE J

Vote Yes on Measure J to Improve Our Schools!

As citizens, taxpayers and voters, we can all agree that our local public schools play a critical role in our community. They educate our children, prepare them for success, protect home values and support our local businesses. Investing in our schools benefits us all.

Today, our schools-Mammoth Elementary, Mammoth Middle, Sierra High and Mammoth High-need your support. **Vote YES on Measure J** to improve our schools and strengthen our community with NO INCREASE IN TAX RATES.

Measure J projects include:

- **Crucial Infrastructure Repairs:** Installing new heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems and improving student and staff safety.
- **Improving Classrooms and Facilities:** Constructing and upgrading classrooms and facilities, including early kindergarten, preschool, afterschool and indoor physical education facilities and updating playgrounds.
- **Ensuring Safe Accessibility:** Creating greater accessibility in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to provide a safe and inclusive learning environment.
- **Teacher/Staff Housing:** Building rental housing exclusively for Mammoth Unified teachers and staff, allowing them to live in and be part of our community.

Measure J ensures taxpayer safeguards and community benefits:

- **Guaranteed Local Investment:** By law, Measure J funds **cannot** be taken by the state and spent elsewhere.
- **Transparency and Accountability:** Public disclosure of ALL spending, independent citizen oversight and annual audits ensure responsible use of funds.
- **State Matching Funds:** Measure J qualifies Mammoth USD for additional state matching funds.
- **Funding Only for School Projects:** Funds cannot be used for administrators' salaries, pensions or benefits.

Measure J improves our schools, protects taxpayers and makes our community stronger - **without increasing taxes**. Join parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers, neighbors, business owners and community leaders in voting **YES on Measure J to preserve and protect our community's most valuable assets!**

s/Chelsea Nash
Board Member

s/Kelly O'Neill
Community Member

s/Shana Stapp
Clerk

s/Marcy Castro
Parent

s/Lou Stewart
Board President

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE J 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?”

Yes

No

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 XIII C 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 ordinance was submitted to the People of Mono County at the November 5, 2024 election and was adopted by the following vote of the People

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
Mono County Supervisor, District 1

s/John Peters
Mono County Supervisor, District 4

s/Rhonda Duggan
Mono County Supervisor, District 2

s/Lynda Salcido
Mono County Supervisor, District 5

s/Bob Gardner
Mono County Supervisor, District 3

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE K WAS FILED.



MEASURE L

“To support general town services - without increasing taxes on Mammoth Lakes residents - such as providing affordable workforce housing through the Town’s Housing Now! Program, supporting public safety, enhancing disaster preparedness, repairing roads, improving recreation amenities and supporting snow removal, shall the Town of Mammoth Lakes’ measure increasing the transient occupancy tax by 2% be adopted, generating approximately \$4,000,000 annually for 10-years, paid only by hotel and short-term rental guests, with annual audits and all funds staying local?”

Yes

No

Municipal Election to be held on November 5, 2024, and shall become effective as of January 1, 2025.

Section 6: The Mayor is hereby authorized to attest to the adoption of this Ordinance by the people voting thereon on November 5, 2024, by signing where indicated below.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the People of the Town of Mammoth Lakes on the 5th day of November 2024.

BILL SAUSER, Mayor

ATTEST:

JAMIE GRAY, Town Clerk

AN ORDINANCE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 3.12.040 OF THE MAMMOTH LAKES MUNICIPAL CODE INCREASING THE RATE OF THE TOWN’S TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX FROM THIRTEEN PERCENT TO FIFTEEN PERCENT

THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7280, subject to the approval of a majority of the voters of the Town of Mammoth Lakes at the Municipal Election of November 5, 2024, effective January 1, 2025, the Transient Occupancy Tax Rate for the Town of Mammoth Lakes shall be fifteen percent.

Section 2: Pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7280, subject to the approval of a majority of the voters of the Town of Mammoth Lakes at the Municipal Election of November 5, 2024, effective January 1, 2025, Section 3.12.040 of the Town of Mammoth Lakes Municipal Code shall be amended to read, in its entirety, as follows:

3.12.040 Tax Imposed. 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 by the operator. The tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the Town which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the tax collector. 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, the unpaid tax shall be paid to the operator at the rate of fifteen percent. 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 be paid by the transient to the tax collector.

Section 3: Effective on January 1, 2035, Section 3.12.040 of the Town of Mammoth Lakes Municipal Code shall be amended to read, in its entirety, as follows:

3.12.040 Tax Imposed. For the privilege of occupancy of any transient occupancy facility, each transient is subject to and shall pay a tax in the amount of thirteen percent of the rent charged by the operator. The tax constitutes a debt owed by the transient to the Town which is extinguished only by payment to the operator or to the tax collector. 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, the unpaid tax shall be paid to the operator at the rate of thirteen percent. 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 be paid by the transient to the tax collector.

Section 4: This ordinance shall constitute voter approval pursuant to Proposition 62, Proposition 218, and any and all other voter approval requirements. All tax revenue shall be deposited into the Town’s General Fund and expended for general governmental purposes.

Section 5: Pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII C §2(b) and California Elections Code Section 9222, this Ordinance shall take effect only if approved by a majority of the eligible voters of the Town of Mammoth Lakes voting at the

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY TOWN ATTORNEY
MEASURE L
TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES**

California Elections Code Section 9280 requires the Town Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of any proposed Town of Mammoth Lakes ballot measure, showing the effect of the measure on existing law and describing the operation of the measure.

Measure L has been placed on the ballot by the Mammoth Lakes Town Council. If approved by a majority of those voting, it would increase the Town’s transient occupancy tax (TOT) rate from 13% to 15%, starting on January 1, 2025. The funds raised by the proposed tax can be used for any purpose for which the Town of Mammoth Lakes can legally expend funds. Such uses include, without limitation, providing affordable workforce housing, supporting public safety, enhancing disaster preparedness, repairing roads, improving recreation amenities, and supporting snow removal, and any other lawful purpose of the Town.

The proposed tax would remain in effect for a period of 10 years, expiring January 1, 2035 unless extended or repealed by Mammoth Lakes voters. Expenditure of the tax proceeds received would be determined by the Mammoth Lakes Town Council. If passed, the proposed tax measure is estimated to provide approximately \$4,000,000 annually for the Town.

The operation of the measure, if approved, will be to provide tax revenues to the Town of Mammoth Lakes to be expended for any lawful purpose. Those funds cannot be taken by the State of California. The Town Council will decide how to allocate the funds raised to specific projects as part of its budgeting process, and those decisions are required to be made at public meetings with opportunities for public involvement. As with other Town funds, the use of these tax revenues would be subject to independent annual audits.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew Morris, Town Attorney

As a reminder, Elections Code section 9280 provides that:

If the entire text of the measure is not printed on the ballot, nor in the voter information guide, there shall be printed immediately below the impartial analysis, in no less than 10-point bold type, a legend substantially as follows:

“The above statement is an impartial analysis of Ordinance or Measure L. If you desire a copy of the ordinance or measure, please call the elections official’s office at (760) 932-5537 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.”



ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE L

Vote Yes on L — Keep Mammoth Lakes Affordable Without Increasing Taxes on Residents

Mammoth Lakes is a great place to live, work, and play, but we're not without our challenges.

Housing costs make it difficult for our workforce to live in Mammoth Lakes. Our restaurants, hotels, roads, trails, and parks require a workforce to ensure these areas remain safe and available for both residents and visitors. As natural disasters increase, emergency services require more support.

Measure L would provide reliable, local funding for community housing through the Town's Housing Now! program so that service workers, trade workers, teachers, nurses, hospitality workers and other working families can afford to live in the community they serve.

Measure L only applies to visitors staying in hotels and short-term rentals, ensuring all visitors pay their fair share without increasing taxes on local residents. Measure L will sunset after ten years.

Vote Yes on L — Protect Affordability and Quality of Life in Mammoth Lakes

- **Provide affordable housing** through Housing Now! for our local workforce, allowing teachers, nurses, and hospitality workers to live in the community they serve.
- **Improve disaster preparedness** by equipping our town with the necessary resources to prevent and address disaster threats.
- **Maintain public trails, parks, and open spaces** to ensure these areas remain safe, beautiful, and accessible for recreational activities.
- **Repair roads, maintain sidewalks, and fund high-quality snow removal equipment** to promote efficient and safe transportation throughout Mammoth Lakes.

Fiscal Accountability and Local Control Ensure That Every Penny of Measure L Stays Right Here in Mammoth Lakes

- By law, all funds must stay in Mammoth Lakes — nothing can be taken by the State, County or other government agencies.
- Measure L will sunset after ten years.
- Measure L does not increase property taxes — it's paid only by visitors.
- All funds are subject to independent annual audits and public spending disclosure.

Join local business owners, longtime residents, and your neighbors in voting Yes on L — Keep Mammoth Lakes affordable for locals.

The undersigned Proponent(s) or Author(s) hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

s/Isaura Ocampo
Housing Coordinator

s/Alisa Mokler Harper
Community Leader

s/Cynthia Fleming
Realtor

s/Sandy Hogan
Community Member

s/Brent Truax
Community Leader

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE L WAS FILED.



MEASURE M
MAMMOTH LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ADOPTING
A SPECIAL TAX FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND FIRE
PROTECTION SERVICES

“To reduce the risk of wildfires, maintain and improve rapid response times for 9-1-1 emergency services, attract, retain, and train qualified firefighters, and fund defensible space programs to improve wildfire prevention, shall the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District ordinance levying \$98 per parcel for nine years be adopted, providing approximately \$925,000 annually in locally controlled funding, an optional yearly increase not to exceed CPI, with senior and low-income exemptions, independent oversight, annual audits and all money spent locally?”

Yes

No

the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners (hereinafter “Board”) may elect to impose a lesser special tax than the authorized maximum special tax rate applicable for the Fiscal Year. Even if the Board elects to impose a lesser special tax rate in any Fiscal Year, in any later Fiscal Year, the Board may elect to impose up to the full maximum special tax rate.

Section 5. Adjustment of Tax Rate.

In order to help ensure that the revenues from the special tax grow in line with the inflation adjusted cost of providing local fire protection and emergency services, the maximum tax rate that may be charged may increase in future years, by an annual adjustment not to exceed CPI, with the amount of tax to be charged being set annually at an amount equal to or less than the maximum tax rate, upon approval by the Board.

Section 6. Exemptions. This ordinance authorizes an exemption for a property owner who owns and occupies a residential property within the District as their principal residence and qualifies as low income as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”). Pursuant to any procedures adopted by the District and upon application, an exemption from payment of the special tax may be granted on any parcel owned by a qualified property owner.

This ordinance also authorizes an exemption for senior citizens, age 65 or older by July 1 of the relevant fiscal year.

Section 7. Collection.

Unless otherwise ordered pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board, the special taxes shall annually be collected on the County of Mono property tax bill in the same manner and subject to the same penalty as the county property taxes are collected. The Board shall annually take such steps as are necessary to have the special tax collected through the property tax bill and shall coordinate with the County Auditor and Tax Collector in this regard. The County shall be entitled to deduct its reasonable costs incurred in collecting the special tax before the balance of the tax is remitted to the District.

Upon receipt of the special taxes, and pursuant to Government Code section 50075.1, the District shall cause same to be deposited in a special tax account or such other account established by the District which allows the District to properly account for the special taxes in compliance with the provisions of Government Code Section 50075.3.

To the extent that the revenue from the special tax enacted by this ordinance is in excess of the appropriations limit for the District, as calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article XIII B of the California Constitution and applicable statutory provisions, the District may increase its spending limit in an amount equal to the revenue derived from the special tax, for the maximum period of time as allowed by law.

Any property owner owing money to the District under this ordinance shall be liable in an action brought in the name of the District for the collection of such amount, together with any penalties and interest.

Section 8. Separate Accounting and Expenditure.

The special tax revenues shall be deposited into a separate account or fund for exclusive use by the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District, in accordance with Government Code Section 50075.1, and shall be expended by the District according to a plan developed annually by the District’s staff and approved and adopted by the District’s Board of Commissioners, which shall be exclusively for the purposes provided for herein.

Section 9. Annual Reporting.

In accordance with Government Code Section 50075.3, the District’s Fire Chief, as the chief fiscal officer of the District, shall file a report with the Board at least once a year, no later than January 1 of each year. The annual report shall contain both of the following: (a) the amount of funds collected and expended; and (b) the status of any project required or authorized to be funded with the

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAMMOTH LAKES FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT ADOPTING A SPECIAL TAX FOR EMERGENCY
RESPONSE AND FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES
(FULL TEXT OF SPECIAL TAX MEASURE)
ORDINANCE # 2024-01

The people of the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District do ordain as follows:

Section 1: Authority

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Government Code section 53978, Government Code section 50075 et seq., Health and Safety Code section 13913, Health and Safety Code section 13911, and Article XIII of the California Constitution.

Section 2. Findings.

The Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District (hereinafter “District”) hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the community that the District continues providing necessary fire protection, fire prevention, and emergency response services; but that the cost to provide adequate levels of service is beyond the reach of the District absent this proposed special tax, and that this tax is therefore necessary for public protection and public safety.

In light of the increased demands on District fire protection, fire prevention, and emergency response services, it must request the support and approval by the voters to impose a new special tax on taxable real property within the District to provide increased, reliable and uniform revenues that can be used to fund fire protection, fire prevention, and emergency response services provided by the District. If approved by two thirds of voters within the District, this ordinance will be adopted.

Section 3. Authorized Special Tax Purposes.

The special tax shall be used solely for the purpose of providing fire protection, including both fire prevention and suppression; for paying the salaries and benefits to firefighting personnel, adequate staffing, wages, equipment, and training; for replacing, obtaining, furnishing, operating, and maintaining of fire suppression apparatus and equipment as needed; for the maintenance of facilities; to provide fire prevention programs; for such other necessary fire protection and prevention services, and for any incidental expenses related to the collection of the tax.

Section 4. Special Tax Rate.

This ordinance levies an annual special tax on each taxable parcel within the District, levying \$98 per parcel for nine years, providing approximately \$925,000 annually in locally controlled funding.

This special tax is adopted pursuant to Government Code sections 53978, 50075-50077.5, 53720-53730, and 61121 (a), and all other applicable law. For



proceeds of the special tax in accordance with Section 3.

Section 10. Effective Date and Term.

This special tax shall be deemed established and shall be in effect as of the day following the election date of November 5, 2024, upon certification of the election results evidencing approval by at least two-thirds of the participating registered voters, and declared by the Board. The special tax shall be levied against all taxable real property within the District beginning with the 2025-2026 fiscal year and shall continue until its expiration following the 2034-2035 fiscal year or until repealed by the Board or by the voters.

Section 11. Interpretation and Amendment.

Interpretations may be made by the Board by resolution for the purpose of clarifying any vagueness or ambiguity as it relates to the special tax or this ordinance. The Board may amend this ordinance at any time; provided, however, that any ordinance amendment that increases the maximum special tax rate above the rate approved by the voters at the November 5, 2024 election (including the annual escalator) shall become effective only if approved by a two-thirds vote of the District voters voting on the issue.

Section 12. Severability

If any provision of this special tax ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision of application, and to this end the provisions of this special tax ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 13. Validation.

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 53979, any judicial action or proceeding to validate, attack, review, set aside, void or annul this ordinance or the approval of the special tax ordinance shall be commenced, if at all, within 30 days of the effective date of the ordinance.

I certify that this ordinance was adopted by a two-thirds vote of the people of the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District on November 5, 2024.

John Mendel, Chairman, MLFPD Board of Fire Commissioners

Attest, Ales Tomaier, Fire Chief

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE M

Measure M was voted on, approved by, and placed on the ballot by the Board of Commissioners for the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District (“MLFPD”). MLFPD is a special district, meaning it is different from a local fire department that receives funding from the town or city it is associated with. Rather, a fire district receives its funding from the County in which it is situated. The county receives that funding from property tax paid by California property owners.

Pursuant to the California Government Code, Health & Safety Code, and California Constitution, a fire district may submit to the voters a special tax for fire protection. The special tax requires approval by two-thirds of the district voters. Funds generated by the tax can only be used to pay for fire protection. Fire protection includes: fire prevention and suppression; maintenance, replacement, or repair of fire suppression apparatus and equipment; emergency response services; facilities maintenance; fire prevention programs; salary, benefits, training, and equipment for firefighting personnel; and other necessary fire protection and prevention services. If approved, this special tax would be a supplement to the current funding that MLFPD receives.

The special tax will cost \$98 per parcel within the district for nine years and it is anticipated to generate approximately \$925,000 per year for MLFPD. The tax may increase annually to keep up with inflation, but the increase will not exceed the inflation as determined by the Consumer Price Index (“CPI”). For example, if CPI inflation is 2%, the annual tax will increase by 2% to \$99.96. MLFPD may also elect to charge less than the authorized amount if it determines that is appropriate. The special tax will have two exemptions. Citizens aged 65 or older at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year will be eligible to apply for an exemption from this tax. Citizens who are considered low income at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year, as defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), will be eligible to apply for an exemption from this tax. California Government Code requires accountability measures for a special tax, including: (a) a statement indicating the specific purposes of the special tax; (b) a requirement that the proceeds be applied only to the specific purposes identified pursuant to subdivision (a); (c) the creation of an account into which the proceeds shall be deposited; and (d) an annual report. The special tax would be first levied against property within the district for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

A “Yes” vote would authorize the MLFPD to levy a \$98 parcel tax for nine years on all property within the district lines, beginning with the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to raise approximately \$925,000 for fire protection.

A “No” vote would **not** authorize the MLFPD to levy a \$98 parcel tax for nine years on all property within the district lines, beginning with the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to raise approximately \$925,000 for fire protection.



ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M WAS FILED.

Vote Yes on M to protect our Mammoth Lakes community from wildfires and other emergencies.

When an emergency strikes, every second counts. MLFD firefighters are often first on the scene for more than just fires – automobile accidents, propane leaks, water rescues and medical emergencies. Measure M will ensure they are well-equipped to keep our community safe every day, in every situation.

The increase in severe weather events is leading to more out of control wildfires, especially in areas like Mammoth Lakes. If a fire breaks out near Mammoth, it could threaten our entire community – homes, schools, businesses and wildlife. Measure M will fund wildfire defense programs to help prevent this kind of disaster.

Vote Yes on M to:

- Increase firefighter staffing to maintain a wildfire engine during peak fire season
- Provide rapid 911 emergency medical response
- Fund wildfire protection programs - chipping, clearing brush, cutting community fuel breaks and creating defensible space to increase wildfire protection
- Assist residents with creating/ maintaining wildfire defensible space around their homes/ property
- Address propane explosions that result from heavy snowfall
- Improve communication systems to assist in local emergencies
- Ensure essential equipment such as fire trucks, protective gear and communications technology are kept up to date

Measure M has fiscal accountability:

- Measure M funds will be spent locally to support MLFD services and cannot be taken by the State, Mono County or the Town of Mammoth Lakes
- An independent citizens' oversight committee
- An exemption is available to homeowners over age 65 and low-income residents of all ages

The Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District is an independent district that does not receive funding from the Town of Mammoth Lakes. Measure M provides critical funding needed to keep MLFD running, staffed and prepared for emergencies.

Vote Yes on M to protect our community from wildfire!

The undersigned Proponent(s) or Author(s) hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

s/ Ingrid Braun	s/ Darin Kaylor
Mono County Sheriff	MLFD Fire Captain, Local Business Owner

s/ Stacy Corless	s/ Victor Garcia
Former Mono County Supervisor	MLFD Firefighter

s/ John Eastman
Former Town Council Member, Local Business Owner





Accessible Voting

At the Polling Place

All Polling 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



STATE TTY/TDD
800-833-8683



Disability Rights of California
1-888-569-7955



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



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PO BOX 237
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General Election, Tuesday, November 5, 2024

MONO COUNTY

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).

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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:**

NOTICE

If the person named on the county voter information guide is not at the address, please help keep the voter rolls current and save taxpayer dollars by returning this county voter information guide to your mail carrier (EC2223(a)).



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