
MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

DISTRICT

**COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 29
PARCEL TAX
MEASURE H**

H Shall a parcel tax in an amount of Nine Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$925.00), be levied on each lot within County Service Area No. 29 annually for a period of ten (10) years, commencing in FY 2002-2003, terminating in FY 2011-2012, to provide funds for ongoing maintenance dredging in the principal waterways of Paradise Cay?

**COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 29
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IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE H**

If this measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, a parcel tax in the amount of Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$925.00) will be levied on each lot within County Service Area No. 29 annually for a period of ten years, commencing in Fiscal Year 2002-2003 and terminating in Fiscal Year 2011-2012. The tax will provide funds for ongoing maintenance dredging in the principal waterways of Paradise Cay.

Dated: August 22, 2001

PATRICK K. FAULKNER
County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE H

Approval of Measure H renews the County Service Area No. 29 parcel tax, beginning in fiscal year 2002/03, which will continue the source of funding to pay for on-going maintenance dredging of the waterways and entrances of Paradise Cay for another ten years.

No other water oriented community in Marin County has the enviable record for the frequency and cost effectiveness of dredging as County Service Area No. 29. Since 1992, three dredging episodes totaling \$386,300 have been completed. A fourth project, estimated at \$200,000, is planned for the Fall of 2002 and will be the last dredging episode to be funded by the current annual parcel tax of \$300 per riparian lot, approved by County Service Area No. 29 voters in April 1992.

The County Service Area No. 29 Advisory Board has projected future dredging requirements for the next ten years, beginning in fiscal year 2002/03. The estimated cost is approximately \$1,257,000, based upon the cost experience of prior dredging projects, adjusted for inflation. It should be no surprise that dredging costs have increased significantly in recent years due to higher labor and fuel costs as well as lengthy and costly regulatory and testing requirements.

After reviewing the projections of costs and funding, the Advisory Board recommended that the new parcel tax be set at \$925 per riparian lot to enable County Service Area No. 29 to undertake and complete a new ten year dredging program.

Maintaining our waterways is vital in protecting property values and also ensuring that Paradise Cay continues to be a highly desirable community in which to live.

The County Service Area No. 29 Advisory Board composed of Harry Blake, Bill Canada, Bill Tapscott, Herm Zelles and I urge you to VOTE "YES" on Measure "H" and the companion Measure "I".

On Behalf Of The

COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 29
ADVISORY BOARD

s/ Donald A. Kunstler
Chairman

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE
WAS SUBMITTED**

END OF MEASURE H

