### **MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS**

# **DISTRICT**

### STINSON BEACH COUNTY WATER DISTRICT APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT INCREASE MEASURE T

Shall the appropriations limit of the Stinson Beach County Water District for Fiscal Year 2002-2003 be established at \$315,500.00 and should the limit for that Fiscal Year (i.e., \$315,500.00) be used to determine the limits for Fiscal Years 2003-2004 through 2005-2006?

# APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT INCREASE IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE T

If this Measure is approved by a majority of the voters the appropriations limit for the Stinson Beach County Water District shall be established at Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$315,500) for fiscal year 2002-2003 and the appropriations limit of Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred (\$315,500) shall be used to determine the limits for fiscal years 2003-2004 through 2005-2006.

Dated: August 22, 2002

PATRICK K. FAULKNER County Counsel

### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

We urge a <u>YES</u> vote on this measure. The measure <u>Will Not</u> increase your taxes. It will allow the Stinson Beach County Water District to make full use of the property tax revenue it already receives.

An amendment to the State Constitution in 1979 imposed a limit on expenditures of most local government agencies, including the District. The Constitution allows local agency voters to approve periodic increases in the limit. Stinson Beach voters have approved such increases in the past, most recently in 1998. Your Board of Directors is asking that the increased limit be continued for an additional four years.

If the measure is approved, the Water District will be able to retain its full pro rata share of property taxes collected by Marin County. Without this measure, tax revenues over the appropriations limit must be refunded to the State of California. The lost tax revenue would then have to be made up by an increase in local water rates.

- Passage of this measure will not increase your taxes or other costs. It will keep the Water District's share of property tax revenue "at home," in our community.
- Passage of this measure will allow the District to maintain existing service levels without increasing water rates to make up for lost tax revenue.

We want to provide you high quality service at the lowest possible rates and consider this measure necessary to do so.

## PLEASE VOTE YES ON MEASURE T

- s/ Charles Dutkin, President SBCWD Board of Directors
- s/ Elizabeth Sapanai, Vice-President SBCWD Board of Directors
- s/ Jim Zell, Director SBCWD Board of Directors
- s/ Joseph Veit, Director SBCWD Board of Directors

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED

**END OF MEASURE T** 

