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To all interested parties:

Voting gives California citizens the opportunity to contribute to the State's public decision-making process. Through this fundamental process, key decisions are made that ultimately dictate how we will invest our precious public resources to help sustain California's economy and social well-being throughout the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Therefore, I am pleased to present this report, which summarizes the results of local bond and tax measures submitted to voters at the November 2005 Special Election. This is the seventeenth in a series of reports on statewide elections in California prepared by the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC).

Californians supported the 90 local bond and tax measures by 66.7 percent (60 passed) to 33.3 percent (30 failed). Support for local tax measures, designed to fund public services such as libraries, fire, police, and emergency medical services, was higher in the 2005 Special Election than in the 2004 General Election, with 30 of 50 local tax measures passing (60.0 percent).

I would like to recognize the assistance of the elections departments of the 58 county clerks' offices in providing information vital to the preparation of this report.

Sincerely,

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## LOCAL BOND AND TAX BALLOT MEASURES RESULTS OF 2005 SPECIAL ELECTION

### I. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of California local bond and tax measures that appeared on the November 8, 2005 Special Election ballot (the 2005 Special Election)<sup>1</sup>. The data used to develop the report was received from the California Secretary of State's office, the 58 county clerks' elections departments and their websites, and various other websites. Table A-1 provides a summary of the individual bond and tax measures on the 2005 Special Election ballot.

The California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC) has reported on statewide elections since 1986 and publishes complete statistics on bond and tax measures after each election. This is the seventeenth report CDIAC has published summarizing bond and tax elections.

### II. SUMMARY OF LOCAL SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS

CDIAC tracked a total of 90 local bond and tax measures on the 2005 Special Election ballot. Voters approved 66.7 percent of the total measures that appeared on the ballot – 78.9 percent of the bond measures and 60.0 percent of the tax measures. Figure 2 shows the overall results of the 2005 Special Election.

**FIGURE 1  
2005 SPECIAL ELECTION  
LOCAL BOND AND TAX MEASURE RESULTS**

Number of Measures	
<b>Passed</b>	
Bond Measures	30
Tax Measures	30
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Failed</b>	
Bond Measures	8
Tax Measures	20
Combination Measures*	2
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>% Passed</b>	<b>66.7%</b>

\* Each of these two measures was a combination tax and bond measure.

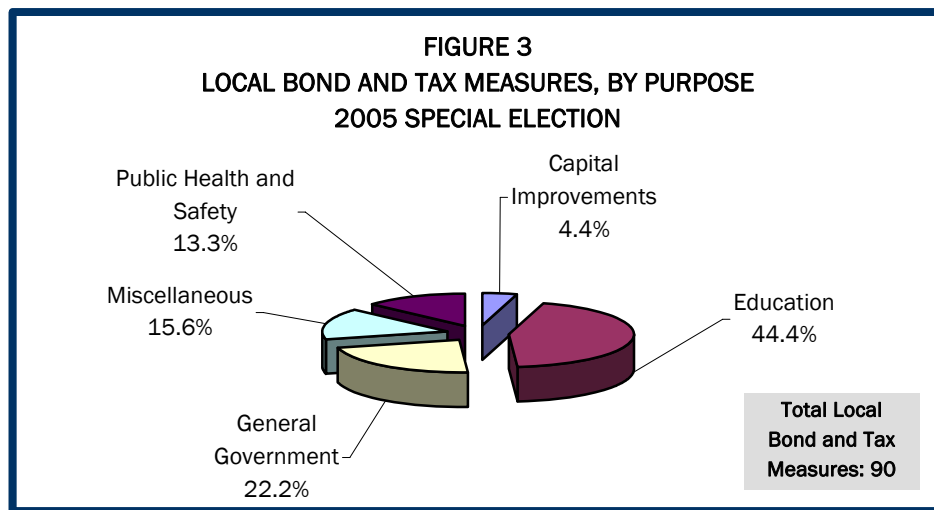
<sup>1</sup> There were no bond or tax-related measures on the statewide ballot.

### III. SUMMARY OF LOCAL MEASURES BY PURPOSE

Figure 2 shows the results of the 90 bond and tax measures appearing on the 2005 Special Election ballot classified by the type of projects to be financed: capital improvements, education, general government, public health and safety, and miscellaneous projects (e.g., libraries, parks, recreational purposes, snow removal, and tourism). Figure 3 shows a breakdown of the 90 measures by purpose. Figure 4 shows a further breakdown by purpose of only those measures that were approved. Figure 5 shows the total dollar amounts of all general obligation (GO) bond measures by purpose.

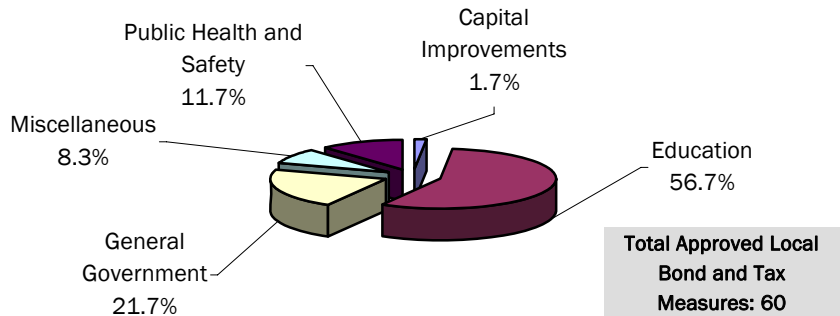
**FIGURE 2  
RESULTS OF BOND AND TAX MEASURES, BY PURPOSE  
2005 SPECIAL ELECTION**

	Capital Improvements	Education	General Government	Miscellaneous	Public Health and Safety	Total
Passed	1	34	13	5	7	60
Failed	3	6	7	9	5	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>90</b>





**FIGURE 4  
APPROVED LOCAL BOND AND TAX MEASURES, BY PURPOSE  
2005 SPECIAL ELECTION**



**FIGURE 5  
TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNTS OF  
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND MEASURES,  
BY PURPOSE  
2005 SPECIAL ELECTION  
(Dollars in Thousands)**

	Education	Capital Improvements	Miscellaneous	Total
<b>Passed</b>	\$6,001,320	\$0	\$0	\$6,001,320
<b>Failed</b>	96,000	208,000	21,000	325,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,097,320</b>	<b>\$208,000</b>	<b>\$21,000</b>	<b>\$6,326,320</b>

**A. Education**

There were 40 local education measures presented to voters in the 2005 Special Election, which accounted for 44.4 percent of all measures offered. Thirty-six of the 40 education measures (90.0 percent) were for K-12 education and four measures (10.0 percent) were for community college programs and facilities. Thirty-one of the 40 K-12 measures (77.5 percent) were approved.

Twenty-seven of the 31 successful K-12 measures (87.1 percent) were GO bond measures and four measures (12.9 percent) were for special taxes to fund library services, to provide teacher incentives, and to offer additional school programs. The amounts of the K-12 GO bond authorization ranged from \$850,000 for the Kings River Union Elementary School District in Tulare County to \$3.985 billion for the Los Angeles Unified School District in Los Angeles County.

Voters approved three of the four GO bond measures for community college programs and facilities. The largest GO bond authorization measure (\$468.0 million) was for the San Mateo Community College District in San Mateo County. This measure required 55 percent approval and passed with 64.2 percent of the vote. The GO bond measure that did not pass was for West Hills Community College District, which spans Fresno, Kings, Madera, Monterey, and San Benito Counties. This measure also required 55 percent voter approval; however, it received 54.1 percent of the vote.

#### **B. Public Health and Safety**

Twelve measures for public health and safety appeared on the 2005 Special Election ballot. Eleven of the measures required two-thirds voter approval and one measure required a simple majority vote. Three measures were for fire department and fire protection services, two measures were for public safety, two measures were for emergency services, two measures were for health services, and one measure each was for paramedic services, police and fire services, and a police station. Seven of the 12 public health and safety measures (58.3 percent) were approved.

#### **C. General Government**

Voters approved 13 of the 20 measures (65.0 percent) for general government purposes. The types of proposals on the 2005 Special Election ballot were an admissions tax, a parking tax, a card room tax, utility users' taxes, transient occupancy taxes, a business license tax, sales taxes, and a parcel tax.

#### **D. Miscellaneous Projects**

There were 14 miscellaneous projects measures, which included construction of a recreation center, libraries, tourism, parks and recreation, snow removal, swimming pool, a special tax to purchase Schwartz Springs, and three combination projects: 1) police/parks/library, 2) police/public safety/parks and recreation, and 3) public safety/parks/tourism. Five of the 14 measures (35.7 percent) were approved by voters. Of those approved, two were parcel tax measures, two were transient occupancy tax measures, and one was a utility user's tax measure. Both of the parcel tax measures required two-thirds voter approval and the remaining three measures required a simple majority.

#### **E. Capital Improvements**

Voters were presented with four capital improvement measures on the 2005 Special Election ballot: one GO bond measure, one general tax measure, and two special tax measures. Only one measure was approved, which was for water capital improvements. Each of the four measures required two-thirds voter approval.

### **IV. SUMMARY OF LOCAL BOND AND TAX MEASURES BY TYPE**

As shown in Figure 6, local bond and tax measures are divided into five categories: GO bonds, general tax, special tax measures, and miscellaneous. Figure 6 also summarizes the results of the measures by type.

**FIGURE 6**  
**RESULTS OF LOCAL BOND AND TAX MEASURES, BY TYPE**  
**2005 SPECIAL ELECTION**

	General Obligation Bonds	General Tax	Special Tax	Combination Measures*	Total
Passed	30	17	13	0	52
Failed	8	8	12	2	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>% Passing</b>	<b>78.9%</b>	<b>68.0%</b>	<b>52.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>57.8%</b>

\* Each of these two measures was a combination tax and bond measure.

**A. Local General Obligation Bonds**

Thirty-two of the 38 local GO bond measures considered (84.2 percent) were for K-12 education, four measures (10.5 percent) were for community college facilities and programs, one measure (2.6 percent) was for city street and road improvements, and the remaining measure (2.6 percent) was to provide funds for a public library. Thirty of the 38 local GO bonds (78.9 percent) were approved.

Of the 32 local GO bond measures for K-12 school education, voters approved 27 (84.4 percent). Three of the four community college GO bond measures (75.0 percent) were passed; however, the remaining two GO bond measures considered, each requiring two-thirds of the vote to pass, were not approved by the voters.

**B. Local Tax Measures**

A total of 50 local tax measures appeared on the 2005 Special Election ballot. Thirty of the 50 local tax measures (60.0 percent) were approved by voters.

Twenty-five of the 50 local tax measures (50.0 percent) were for special taxes, which required two-thirds voter approval. Voters approved 13 of the 25 special tax measures (52.0 percent). The local tax measure that received the most support was for Muir Beach Community Services located in Marin County. This measure received 88.4 percent of the vote for water capital improvements. Of the failed special tax measures, a hospital parcel tax for the City of Calexico in Imperial County received the least voter support, obtaining only 27.4 percent of the vote.

Twenty-five the 50 local tax measures (50.0 percent) were for general taxes, with voters approving 68.0 percent of the general tax measures. Of the approved general tax measures, one of the measures to receive wide support was an admissions tax measure on the Riverside County ballot for the residents of the City of Indian Wells. The admissions tax measure, which will increase the tax on entertainment events from 5 percent to 10 percent, received 82.0 percent of the vote.

The majority of the general tax measures required a simple majority for approval; however, there were two measures that required a two-thirds voter approval and two measures that required a 55 percent voter approval. All four of these measures failed.

### **C. Combination Measures**

There were two measures on the 2005 Special Election ballot that combined bonds and special taxes; both of the measures failed. Each required two-thirds voter approval. One of the measures was a special tax/limited tax obligation bond with the City of Clayton in Contra Costa County, which received 46.1 percent of the vote. The other measure was a GO bond/special tax measure for the North Lake Tahoe Recreation Community Facilities serving both El Dorado and Placer Counties. This measure received 34.8 voter approval.

### **V. COUNTIES REPORTING NO LOCAL BOND OR TAX MEASURES**

Nineteen out of 58 counties did not report any local bond or tax measures. Those counties are Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lassen, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Yolo, and Yuba.

**Table A-1  
Summary of Local Bond and Tax Measures  
2005 Special Election**

County	Agency	Type of Tax/Debt	Amount of Bond/Tax	Purpose	Measure	% Yes	% No	Result
Alameda	Albany Unified School District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Seven years at the annual rate of \$250 per residential unit and \$.05 per square foot for non-residential parcels, exempting low income homeowners and renters and homeowners 65 and over.	K-12 School Programs	A	68.53	31.47	Pass
Alameda	Castro Valley Unified	GO Bond	\$44,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	B	63.58	36.42	Pass
Alpine		NONE						
Amador		NONE						
Butte		NONE						
Calaveras		NONE						
Colusa		NONE						
Contra Costa	City of Clayton	Special Tax/Limited Tax Obligation Bond	Parcel Tax: Finance public services and facilities through Community Facilities District 2005-1 (replacing existing District 1997-1) in the initial annual amount of \$365 per residential parcel and non-residential acre (subject to annual CPI increases), for public landscaping, weed abatement, trails, downtown park, fountain and related costs. And issue no more than \$2,800,000 in improvement bonds.	General Government	M	46.05	53.95	Fail
Contra Costa	City of Richmond	General Tax	Sales Tax: An ordinance amending the City of Richmond transactions and use tax ordinance to increase the tax rate by one-half percent.	General Government	Q	34.88	65.12	Fail
Contra Costa	City of Walnut Creek	GO Bond	\$21,000,000	Public Library	R	61.53	38.47	Fail
Contra Costa	West Contra Costa	GO Bond	\$400,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	J	56.85	43.15	Pass
Del Norte		NONE						
El Dorado	City of South Lake Tahoe	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: A \$20 special tax to be replaced by a \$40 annual special tax upon all improved parcels, with specified exceptions, subject to an annual inflation adjustment not to exceed 3%.	Snow Removal	R	45.60	54.40	Fail
El Dorado	County Service Area 3 South Shore	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: A \$20 annual assessment to be replaced by a \$50 special tax to be imposed annually upon all improved parcels, with specified exceptions, within the Zone commencing in the fiscal year 2006/2007.	Snow Removal	S	52.70	47.30	Fail
El Dorado	Latrobe School District	GO Bond	\$4,300,000	K-12 School Facilities	U	53.20	46.80	Fail
El Dorado	Placerville-Pollock Pines Area	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$15 per parcel of improved property (excluding churches, cemeteries and schools), vacant residential property up to 2.5 acres, and vacant multi-residential property; \$12 per residence for parcels with multiple residences (excluding time shares); \$7.50 per mobile home for mobile home parks.	Public Library	L	55.90	44.10	Fail
El Dorado/Placer	North Lake Tahoe Recreation Community Facilities	GO Bond/Special Tax	\$22,230,000 of 30-year bonds/levy a special tax, which shall escalate at 2% annually.	Construction of Recreation Center/Maintain operations	T	34.80	65.20	Fail

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County	Agency	Type of Tax/Debt	Amount of Bond/Tax	Purpose	Measure	% Yes	% No	Result
Fresno/Kings/ Madera/Monterey/ San Benito	West Hills Community College District	GO Bond	\$36,000,000	College Facilities	B	54.10	45.90	Fail
<b>Fresno/Kings/ Tulare</b>	<b>Kingsburg Joint Union High School District<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>GO Bond</b>	<b>\$7,000,000</b>	<b>K-12 School Facilities</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>66.00</b>	<b>34.00</b>	<b>Fail</b>
Glenn		NONE						
Humboldt		NONE						
Imperial	City of Brawly	General Tax	Utility Users Tax: A 4.0% utility user tax.	General Government	O	51.71	48.29	Pass
Imperial	City of Calexico	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Hospital Parcel Tax.	Construct New Hospital	Q	27.41	72.59	Fail
Inyo	Owens Valley Unified School District	GO Bond	\$2,600,000	K-12 School Facilities	B	56.32	43.68	Pass
Inyo	Southern Inyo Healthcare District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Hospital Parcel Tax.	Health Care Services	A	70.38	29.62	Pass
<b>Kern</b>	<b>Beardsley School District</b>	<b>GO Bond</b>	<b>\$8,000,000</b>	<b>K-12 School Facilities</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>63.52</b>	<b>36.48</b>	<b>Fail</b>
Kern	City of Delano	General Tax	Sales Tax: Sales tax rate increase of one-half of one percent (0.50%), which will end after 20 years.	Street and Road Improvements	H	53.11	46.89	Fail
Kern	Lost Hills Union School District	GO Bond	\$6,200,000	K-12 School Facilities	G	60.34	39.66	Pass
<b>Kern/Tulare</b>	<b>Delano Joint Unified High School District</b>	<b>GO Bond</b>	<b>\$55,000,000</b>	<b>K-12 School Facilities</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>73.00</b>	<b>27.00</b>	<b>Pass</b>
Kern/Ventura	El Tejon Unified School District	GO Bond	\$7,120,000	K-12 School Facilities	E	56.00	44.00	Pass
Kings	Pioneer Union Elementary	GO Bond	\$7,500,000	K-12 School Facilities	P	65.24	34.76	Pass
Lake	Cobb Area Water District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Annual tax of \$55 per year parcel.	Special Tax to Purchase Schwartz Springs	K	76.80	23.20	Pass
Lassen		NONE						
Los Angeles	City of Baldwin Park	General Tax	Transient Occupancy Tax: Increase from 10% to 11% as of 1/1/2006; and be increased from 11% to 12% as of 1/1/2008.	General Government	B	38.29	61.71	Fail
Los Angeles	City of Commerce	General Tax	Transient Occupancy Tax: The tax is 12% of the rent charged by the operator of any hotel.	General Government	A	58.64	41.36	Pass
Los Angeles	City of Sierra	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: A charge up to \$140 plus 6 cents/sq ft of buildings annually per parcel. Each year, the Council would be required to adopt a public safety budget and to hold public hearings before setting a rate at or below this ceiling. The ceiling would increase annually by the smaller of 5% or the Consumer Price Index increase.	Paramedic Service	F	50.09	49.91	Fail

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Summary of Local Bond and Tax Measures  
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County	Agency	Type of Tax/Debt	Amount of Bond/Tax	Purpose	Measure	% Yes	% No	Result
Los Angeles	City of Signal Hill	General Tax	Sales Tax: A tax of 3% on charges for electric, gas, water and other utility services (with exemptions for seniors and low income households) for a period of no more than 15 years.	Police Station	H	44.75	55.25	Fail
Los Angeles	Glendora Unified School District	GO Bond	\$41,300,000	K-12 School Facilities	G	63.09	36.91	Pass
Los Angeles	Los Angeles Unified School District	GO Bond	\$3,985,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	Y	66.09	33.91	Pass
Los Angeles	Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District	GO Bond	\$10,000,000	K-12 School Grounds Improvements	S	66.99	33.01	Pass
Los Angeles	Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District	GO Bond	\$30,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	R	70.78	29.22	Pass
Madera	Chawanakee Unified School District	GO Bond	\$9,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	Q	57.00	43.00	Pass
Marin	City of San Rafael	General Tax	Sales Tax: Transactions and use tax rate at one-half of one percent (0.50%).	General Government	S	70.32	29.68	Pass
Marin	Muir Beach Community Services	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$3,250 per parcel for improved commercially zoned property, \$300 per separate habitable structure on parcels containing residential property and \$300 per parcel.	Water Capital Improvements	C	88.38	11.62	Pass
Marin	Reed Union School District	GO Bond	\$13,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	A	70.19	29.81	Pass
Marin	Town of San Anselmo	Special Tax	Municipal Services Tax: Tax of \$250 per year per living unit and per 1500 sq ft of nonresidential use, for a period of four years.	Police/Parks/Library	B	55.58	44.42	Fail
Mendocino	Ukiah Unified School District	GO Bond	\$43,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	U	67.96	32.04	Pass
Merced	City of Merced	General Tax	Sales Tax: Sales tax by ½ cent for every taxable dollar spent for not more than 20 years.	General Government	C	64.34	35.66	Pass
Merced	Livingston Union School District	GO Bond	\$10,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	B	67.38	32.62	Pass
Modoc		NONE						
Mono		NONE						
Monterey	Carmel Unified School District	GO Bond	\$21,500,000	K-12 School Facilities	A	76.67	23.33	Pass
Monterey	City of Salinas	General Tax	Sales Tax: A transactions and use tax of a half cent, which would sunset in ten years.	General Government	V	61.93	38.07	Pass
Monterey	King City	Special Tax	Utility Users Tax: Raise the utility user tax rate on telephone, electricity, water, gas, and cable television services to the statewide average of 6% from 2%.	Police and Fire Services	K	51.16	48.84	Fail
Napa	Howell Mountain School District	GO Bond	\$2,900,000	K-12 School Facilities	C	70.61	29.39	Pass
Nevada		NONE						

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County	Agency	Type of Tax/Debt	Amount of Bond/Tax	Purpose	Measure	% Yes	% No	Result
Orange	City of La Habra	General Tax	Sales Tax: Reduce the tax from 6% to 4.5% on all utilities, maintain a 4.5% rate on electricity, effective 7/1/2006. Also extend the 4.5% tax rate for all utilities beyond the current termination date 12/31/2007.	General Government	G	47.40	52.60	Fail
Orange	Newport-Mesa Unified	GO Bond	\$282,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	F	56.10	43.90	Pass
Plumas	Sierra Valley Fire District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$100 per year on each legal parcel with a primary residence and \$200 per year on each legal parcel with a commercial structure, under the following conditions.	Fire Department Services	B	51.08	48.92	Fail
Riverside	City of Indian Wells	General Tax	Admissions Tax: Increase the maximum allowable admission tax from the current 5% to 10%. The admission tax would remain 5% for calendar year 2006.	General Government	H	81.96	18.04	Pass
Riverside	Palo Verde Health Care District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Levy an annual property tax of \$32 per parcel with all revenues going for emergency and health care services and facilities.	Health Services	I	64.09	35.91	Pass
<b>Sacramento/ San Joaquin</b>	<b>Galt Joint Union High School District</b>	<b>GO Bond</b>	<b>\$29,200,000</b>	<b>K-12 School Facilities</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>58.30</b>	<b>41.70</b>	<b>Fail</b>
San Bernardino	City of San Bernardino	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$20 per parcel - one single family residence & per condominium residential unit; \$13 per residential unit per parcel for all other residentially-used or designated parcels; \$50 per parcel of non-residentially used or designated property in the City.	Libraries	S	55.48	44.52	Fail
San Bernardino	Morongo Unified School District	GO Bond	\$48,150,000	K-12 School Facilities	O	56.94	43.06	Pass
San Diego	Bonsall Union School District	GO Bond	\$17,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	C	65.60	34.40	Pass
San Diego	National City	General Tax	Sales Tax: 1% use and transaction fee.	General Government	B	43.15	56.85	Fail
San Francisco	City and County of San Francisco	GO Bond	\$208,000,000	City, Street and Road Improvements	B	56.22	43.78	Fail
San Francisco	San Francisco Community College District	GO Bond	\$246,300,000	College Facilities	A	63.88	36.12	Pass
San Joaquin	Stockton Unified School District	GO Bond	\$120,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	C	69.40	30.60	Pass
San Luis Obispo		NONE						
San Mateo	City of East Palo Alto	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: A parcel tax \$100/single family residential parcel, \$75 for each unit in a multi-family residential parcel. For commercial and industrial parcels, the parcel tax varies depending on the frontage and size area of the property for ten years.	Public Safety	K	54.50	45.50	Pass
San Mateo	City of East Palo Alto	General Tax	Utility Users Tax: On cell phones and similar communications technology at 5% adopted by the voters in November 2002 removes the 2006 expiration making it permanent.	Police/Public Safety/Parks and Recreation	J	53.70	46.30	Pass
San Mateo	City of Millbrae	General Tax	Parking Tax: A 10% parking tax on fees paid to park vehicles in off-street private parking spaces.	General Government	Q	50.50	49.50	Pass



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County	Agency	Type of Tax/Debt	Amount of Bond/Tax	Purpose	Measure	% Yes	% No	Result
San Mateo	La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Levy \$100 per year per taxable parcel for seven years.	K-12 Attract Teachers/ Improve Library Services	B	72.40	27.60	Pass
San Mateo	Redwood Shores School Facilities Improvement District	GO Bond	\$25,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	C	68.00	32.00	Pass
San Mateo	San Carlos School District	GO Bond	\$38,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	E	62.90	37.10	Pass
San Mateo	San Mateo Community College District	GO Bond	\$468,000,000	College Programs/Facilities	A	64.20	35.80	Pass
San Mateo	Town of Portola Valley	General Tax	Utility Users Tax: Adjust appropriations limit each fiscal year commencing 7/1/2006 by the amount of money collected from the existing 5.5% rate not to exceed four years from the end of Fiscal Year 2005/2006.	General Government	H	52.20	47.80	Pass
San Mateo	Town of Portola Valley	General Tax	Utility Users Tax: Continue the 2% utility users tax, for open space purposes only, commencing 7/1/2006, not to exceed four years from the end of fiscal year 2005/2006.	General Government	I	57.50	42.50	Pass
San Mateo	Woodside Elementary School District	GO Bond	\$12,000,000	K-12 School Facilities	D	68.50	31.50	Pass
Santa Barbara		NONE						
Santa Clara	City of Sunnyvale	General Tax	Business License Tax: Increase from its current amount of \$10 for every five employees/rental units, to \$30 for one, \$50 for two to five, and \$50 for each additional group of five employees/rental units, up to \$9,500 for employees and \$4,250 for rentals.	General Government	D	56.60	43.40	Pass
Santa Clara	City of Sunnyvale	General Tax	Transient Occupancy Tax: Increase the transient occupancy tax, which is charged only on persons who occupy hotel or motel rooms in the City for 30 days or less, from the current 8.5% to 9.5% over a two-year period.	General Government	E	69.33	30.67	Pass
Santa Cruz	City of Scotts Valley	General Tax	Transactions and Use Tax: A 5 year temporary one-half of one percent sales tax rate increase be approved for the first three year period and then reduced to one-quarter of one percent for the final two years.	General Government	C	71.50	28.50	Pass
Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz City Elementary School District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Increase its existing assessment of \$70/year per parcel for seven years, beginning 7/1/2006, exempting parcels owned/occupied by seniors (65+).	K-12 School Programs/Teachers	B	80.10	19.90	Pass
Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz City High School District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: Renew \$28/year parcel tax for seven years, beginning 1/1/2006, exempting parcels owned/occupied by seniors (65+).	K-12 School Programs	A	76.90	23.10	Pass
Shasta/Siskiyou	Siskiyou Joint Community College District	GO Bond	\$31,400,000	College Programs	A	56.30	43.70	Pass
Sierra	Sierra County	General Tax	Transient Occupancy Tax: Extend the 10% TOT to campers on Federally owned land.	General Government	A	59.60	40.40	Pass

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Siskiyou	Pleasant Valley	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: 1st Parcel: Improved \$28 each, unimproved \$22 each; 2nd Parcel: Improved \$14 each, unimproved \$11 each; 3rd Parcel: Improved \$7 each, unimproved \$5 each; 4th Parcel & Up: Improved \$3 each, unimproved \$1 each.	Fire Protection	B	66.70	33.30	Pass
Solano	City of Fairfield	General Tax	Sales Tax: An ordinance to be adopted increasing the City sales tax by one-half cent to expire June 30, 2016.	General Government	E	45.40	54.60	Fail
Sonoma		NONE						
Stanislaus	City of Waterford	General Tax	Sales Tax: ½ percent sales tax for twenty years.	Public Safety	Q	52.96	47.04	Pass
Stanislaus	Newman-Crows Landing School District	GO Bond	\$11,500,000	K-12 School Facilities	O	49.38	50.62	Fail
Stanislaus	Riverbank Unified School District	GO Bond	\$15,200,000	K-12 School Facilities	P	65.29	34.71	Pass
Sutter		NONE						
Tehama		NONE						
Trinity	Greater Hayfork Valley Park and Recreation District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$10 per parcel.	Parks and Recreation	J	57.43	42.57	Fail
Trinity	Weaverville/Douglas City Parks and Recreation District	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$35 per parcel.	Parks and Recreation	I	59.58	40.42	Fail
Tulare	City of Dinuba	Special Tax	Sales Tax: A ¼ cent sales tax within the City of Dinuba.	Emergency Services	F	73.82	26.18	Pass
Tulare	City of Farmersville	General Tax	Utility Users Tax: A 4.0% utility user tax within the city of Farmersville.	General Government	G	46.08	53.92	Fail
Tulare	City of Porterville	Special Tax	Sales Tax: Sales tax be increased by one-half cent.	Emergency Services	H	70.28	29.72	Pass
Tulare	City of Tulare	General Tax	Sales Tax: Sales tax increase by a maximum of one-half of a cent.	General Government	I	71.27	28.73	Pass
Tulare	Kings River Union Elementary School District	GO Bond	\$850,000	K-12 School Construction/Facilities	E	65.65	34.35	Pass
Tulare	Woodlake Fire Protection	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: An increase by \$22.60 per year which equates to \$1.88 per month for a single unit dwelling and which shall increase annually thereafter in the same percentage as the Consumer Price Index.	Fire Protection	L	60.69	39.31	Fail
Tuolumne	Big Oak Flat-Groveland School Bond	GO Bond	\$9,300,000	K-12 School Facilities	M	68.40	31.60	Pass
Ventura	City of Buenaventure	General Tax	Card Room Tax: 15% of the gross revenues received by the license holder from card play.	General Government	D5	69.60	30.40	Pass
Ventura	City of Fillmore	Special Tax	Parcel Tax: \$15 per parcel per year.	Swimming Pool	B5	67.40	32.60	Pass

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Yuba		NONE						

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<sup>1</sup> Bold figures indicate school bonds requiring 2/3 voter approval. All other school bonds require 55 percent voter approval.

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