

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL  
COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
MEASURE M**

The California Constitution provides that community college districts may issue general obligation bonds 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, with the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition. The California Constitution further provides that the bond measure must include a requirement that the bond proceeds will be used only for the permitted purposes and other requirements designed to ensure accountability.

The Coast Community College District has proposed to voters that general obligation bonds of the community college district be issued in the amount of \$698,000,000 and that ad valorem taxes be levied upon taxable property in the district to repay the bonded indebtedness. The measure provides that proceeds from the sale of the bonds will generally be used to improve, renovate and construct facilities at Coastline Community College, Golden West College, and Orange Coast College, including constructing and upgrading classrooms, laboratories and job training facilities; upgrading of facilities to improve energy efficiency; upgrading and replacing computer hardware, software systems and information technology infrastructure; improving access for people with disabilities; installing and repairing safety and security equipment; and removing asbestos.

The measure provides that a citizens' oversight committee will be established to ensure that bond proceeds are properly expended. In addition, annual performance and financial audits will be conducted. The measure further provides that bond proceeds will not be used for teacher or administrator salaries or other district operating expenses.

The Board of Trustees of the Coast Community College District has called the election for the purpose of submitting the measure to the voters within the district. If 55% of the voters voting on the measure vote yes, the district may proceed to sell the bonds and levy the related taxes as estimated in the Tax Rate Statement. A no vote on this measure will disapprove the issuance of the bonds and the levy of the taxes for such bonded indebtedness.

Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Coast Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching State funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.