#### RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1608 LINCOLN VILLAGE WEST

PROPOSITION 218 WORKSHOP MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021 2:00 PM

### KNOWN FACTS ABOUT RD 1608's OPERATION & MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT

- □Existing Proposition 218 Assessment (2010-2025)
- □Existing Assessment will sunset in 2025.
- □Existing Assessment revenue is \$289,820.
- □Existing Property Tax revenue is \$210,000.
- □Total Annual revenue is approx. \$600,000.
- □Range of residential parcel's assessment is \$37/yr. to \$200/yr.

## To achieve the goal of implementing a successful Assessment District formation for RD 1608, the following 3 actions should to be taken

- 1) A clear, legally defensible allocation of the costs allocated to the assessed properties in proportion to the special benefit received, documented in an Engineer's Report.
- 2) Effective outreach and education campaign combined with communication with key stakeholders and decision makers.
- 3) Administration of an efficient and accurate legislative, hearing, and balloting process.

#### TIMELINE OF TASKS TO COMPLETE

➤ <u>August 2021</u>	TASK 1 – District Workshop - commence with development of
	budget items.

- ► March 2022 TASK 2 Select a public outreach consultant and establish clear and concise messaging of District services and what beneficiaries receive in service.
- ➤ March 2023 TASK 3 Prepare Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Assessment Engineer and select.
- ➤ <u>January 2024</u> TASK 4 Complete and approve Final Engineers Report.
- February 2024 TASK 5 Mail out Ballots for Assessment Ballot proceeding.
- ➤ March/April 2024 TASK 6 Conduct Public Workshops with RD 1608 landowners.
- ➤ <u>May 2024</u> TASK 7 Conduct Ballot Hearing and count the ballots.
- ➤ August 2024 TASK 8 Provide certified copies of resolution and Assessment Roll to San Joaquin County to be put on Property Tax Roll.

## TIMELINE OF TASKS TO COMPLETE IF 1ST CAMPAIGN FAILS

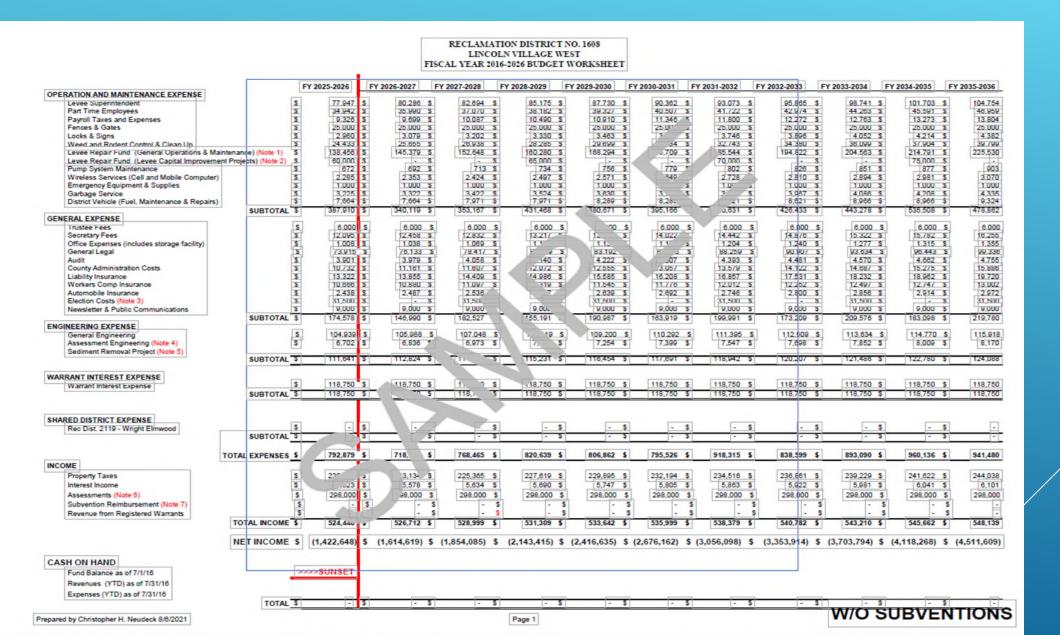
➤ <u>June 2024</u>	TASK 1 – District Workshop – re-evaluate budget and messaging
	and determine cause of voter turn down.

- August 2024 TASK 2 Provide certified copies of the resolution of existing
  Assessment Roll to San Joaquin County to be put on
  Property Tax Roll for Final Year of the 2010-2025
  Assessment.
- ➤ <u>September 2024</u> TASK 3 Prepare Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Assessment Engineer and select.
- ➤ March 2025 TASK 4 Complete and approve **Revised** Final Engineers Report.
- ➤ <u>April 2025</u> TASK 5 Mail out Ballots for Assessment Ballot proceeding.
- ➤ <u>May/June 2025</u> TASK 6 Conduct Public Workshops with RD 1608 landowners.
- ➤ <u>July 2025</u> TASK 7 Conduct Ballot Hearing, and count the ballots.
- ➤ <u>August 2025</u> TASK 8 Provide certified copies of the resolution and Assessment Roll to San Joaquin County to be put on Property Tax Roll.

## POTENTIAL SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR A SPECIAL BENEFIT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1608

- TASK 1. Research/Data Collection
- TASK 2. Meetings/Coordination
- TASK 3. Prepare Benefit Allocation & Engineer's Report
- TASK 4. Public Outreach and Education
- TASK 5. Property Owner Notice and Ballot
- TASK 6 Phone Bank Staffing (Hotline)
- TASK 7. Ballot Tabulation Certification and Report
- TASK 8. Auditor's Report
- TASK 9. Appeals Processing
- TASK 10. Provide Information to County Auditor

#### BUDGET DEVELOPMENT



#### ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN DISTRICT BUDGET

#### I. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE

- 1. Levee Superintendent
- 2. Part Time Employees
- 3. Payroll Taxes and Expenses
- 4. Fences & Gates
- 5. Locks & Signs
- 6. Weed and Rodent Control & Clean Up
- 7. Levee Repair Fund (General Operations & Maintenance)
- 8. Levee Repair Fund (Levee Capital Improvement Projects)
- 9. Pump System Maintenance
- 10. Wireless Services (Cell and Mobile Computer)
- 11. Emergency Equipment & Supplies
- 12. Garbage Service
- 13. District Vehicle (Fuel, Maintenance & Repairs)
- 14. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. \_\_\_\_\_
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- 17. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. \_\_\_\_\_

#### ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN DISTRICT BUDGET (continued)

#### II. GENERAL EXPENSE

- 1. Trustee Fees
- 2. Secretary Fees
- 3. Office Expenses (includes storage facility)
- 4. General Legal
- 5. Audit
- 6. County Administration Costs
- 7. Liability Insurance
- 8. Workers Comp Insurance
- 9. Automobile Insurance
- 10. Election Costs
- 11. Newsletter & Public Communications
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- 15. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. \_\_\_\_\_

#### ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN DISTRICT BUDGET (continued)

#### III. ENGINEERING EXPENSE

- 1. General Engineering
- 2. Plan Review Engineering
- 3. Administration of Delta Levee Subventions Program
- 4. Periodic Levee Property Inspections & Surveys
- 5. Routine Levee Maintenance Consultation
- 6. Engineering, Management & Inspection of Capital Improvement Projects
- 7. Assessment Engineering
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#### ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN DISTRICT BUDGET (continued)

#### IV. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

- 1. Phase II Sediment Removal Project
- 2. New pavement overlay on levee crown roadway Northwest and Northeast Quadrants.
- 3. New all weather road surfacing (Class II ¾" AB) on Southwest and Southeast Quadrants
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# PROPOSITION 218 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

By Dan Schroeder Neumiller & Beardslee

#### WHAT ARE ASSESSMENTS?

Proposition 218 Allows the District to assess properties within the District based on the *special benefits* received by each parcel.

"Special benefits" means a particular and distinct benefit over and above general benefits conferred on real property.

## PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTING ASSESSMETNS

To establish an assessment, the District must do each of the following:

- 1) Hold a public hearing
- Provide written notice to each property owner at least 45 days before the hearing.
- 3) Provide each property owner a ballot to vote for or against the proposed assessment.

#### NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

## The mailed notice MUST include the following:

- 1. Total assessment for the entire District.
- 2. Assessment amount for each owner's property
- 3. Duration of the proposed assessment.
- 4. Reason for the assessment.

## MAILED NOTICE REQUIREMENTS <u>Cont. . ..</u>

- Basis on which amount of the proposed assessment was calculated.
- 6. Date, time and place of the public hearing.
- 7. Summary of the voting procedures
- 8. Effect of a majority protest vote

#### **VOTING**

The ballots are weighted according to the proportional amount financial obligations of the affected property (e.g. \$1 = 1\$ vote)

Example: Parcel A's assessment amount will be \$150.00. Parcel B's will be \$500.00. The owner of the parcel A gets 150 votes while the owner of parcel B gets 500 votes.

#### **RESULTS**

The majority vote determine the outcome

If a majority of the votes are cast in favor of the assessment, the assessment passes.

If a majority of the votes are cast in protest/opposed to the assessment, the assessment fails and the process stops.

#### **Discussion/Questions**

What are your thoughts?