



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SANTA BARBARA

## **RECOMMENDS**

JUNE 8, 2010 LOCAL MEASURES

**Measure J2010      Pardon Oil and Gas Development Initiative      OPOPOSE**

Through Measure J, Venoco seeks to gain approval to drill for oil and gas from a site in the City of Carpinteria without going through the city's public review process. This means that there is no opportunity for either the public or the City's expert staff to give input. The City Council is forced to become a rubber stamp. The wording of the Measure precludes conditioning the project with appropriate safeguards or oversight, even to protect public health and safety; and, even though the project is in an environmentally sensitive area, eliminates city environmental review. Measure J is a bad bargain for Carpinteria and it sets a terrible precedent for other cities in the state. Land use planning is a prime function of local government and should not be short circuited by special interest ballot measures. The League urges you to vote "no" on Measure J.

**Measure L2010      Hope School District Bond Measure      SUPPORT**

Measure L is a local school facilities bond measure for the Hope Elementary District with 3 schools, Hope, Monte Vista and Vieja Valley. Priorities include: installation of a photo-voltaic system at each campus to reduce energy costs and provide rebates and incentives; a district wide technology infrastructure program; a new library at Monte Vista School; and modernization of the Vieja Valley School multi-purpose room. The proposed \$8 million bond measure **won't increase the current annual tax** of \$9 per \$100,000 of assessed value being paid by voters who reside in the Hope School District. The proposed additional projects would be covered by extending the length of time of this assessment. A citizens' oversight committee would be appointed. The bond requires a 55% majority to pass. This measure would benefit both the schools and the environment; the League recommends a "yes" vote.

**Measure K2010      County Bed Tax - continue current rate      No recommendation**

### **VOTE WITH THE LEAGUE ON JUNE 8!**

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