



**Registrar of Voters
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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District One
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District Two
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District Three
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District Four
DENNIS TOWNSEND
District Five

AGENDA DATE: April 30, 2019

Public Hearing Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Emily Oliveira PHONE: 559-624-7300		

SUBJECT: Hills Valley Irrigation District

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:
Approve request by the Hills Valley Irrigation District to change from odd-numbered to even-numbered year elections, with the election to be consolidated with the General Election in 2020.

SUMMARY:

Special districts may submit a resolution to the Board of Supervisors to establish an election day to occur on the same date as the Statewide General Election. (Elections Code 10404). The resolution must be received not later than March 10, 2019, 240 days prior to the currently scheduled election of the district.

Hills Valley Irrigation District met the deadline, submitting its resolution on March 6, 2019. As required by law, the Clerk of the Board has sent a notice to all special districts located in the County, advising them of the receipt of the resolution and asking for their input. The notice also advised that the agenda item would be heard today. As also required by law, a special notice regarding this agenda has been posted on a County website.

The Elections Code requires the Board of Supervisors to approve the request unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled. The election official provides an Impact Analysis for this purpose. As indicated in the attached Impact Analysis, the Registrar believes this election can be added without affecting the ability of the County to provide services for the General Election.

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If the request is approved, the terms of the district board members will be extended for one year. The election official will notify all registered voters in the district of the change of election date at the expense of the district.

Once changed, the regular board of directors for the Hills Valley Irrigation District will thereafter occur in consolidation with the Statewide General Election, unless the resolution is appealed or amended after at least one election is held on the new date. Consolidation will lower the district's costs. Any costs to the County will be offset by reimbursement revenue received from the district.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

By terms of this Resolution, the District would bear its own share of costs of the election. The Election Official's Report with Impact Analysis per Election Code 10404(d) is attached.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes Initiative 4:
Organizational Performance.

Continuously improve organizational effectiveness and fiscal stability. Provide the public with accessible high quality services that are timely and responsive.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Michelle Baldwin
Registrar of Voters

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Appendix A – Election Official's Report and Hills Valley Irrigation District resolution.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF _____)
HILLS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT) Resolution No. _____)
) Agreement No. _____)
)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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Approved request by the Hills Valley Irrigation District to change from odd-numbered to even-numbered year elections, with the election to be consolidated with the General Election in 2020.

**TULARE COUNTY
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

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Appendix A

Election Official's Report

IMPACT ANALYSIS

Since June 2006, Tulare County has been using Sequoia Voting Systems ballots (Insight Vote machine). The Insight is an optical scan ballot reader which readily accepts additional consolidations. Neither the ballot nor the precinct counter capacity will be affected by the consolidation.

Speed of reporting election night results will not be affected by the additional contest. The consolidation will have an insignificant impact on the length of the time for the official canvass and reconciliation of records.

COST EFFECTIVENESS

No regularly scheduled federal, state or county elections are held in the odd numbered years when the Hills Valley Irrigation District is currently scheduled to elect the Board Members. No other Districts in the area currently have odd year elections.

None of these districts are required to have an election if the nominees are equal to or less than the vacancies, therefore districts which actually go to the ballot have few agencies with which they share election costs.

Consolidation with the Statewide General Election should save the district money because the County will always share a portion of the total election cost. Additionally, a portion of the election costs will potentially be shared with the many local districts with even year general elections.

Any costs to the County because of the consolidation will be offset by reimbursement revenue received from the district for its prorated share of the election costs.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
HILLS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
COUNTIES OF FRESNO AND TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF CHANGING FROM ODD)
TO EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS: RESOLUTION)
TO CHANGE FROM ODD TO EVEN YEAR)
ELECTIONS, POSTPONING THE 2015) RESOLUTION NO. 2015-1
ELECTION, AND EXTENDING THE TERMS OF)
EXISTING DIRECTORS BY ONE YEAR)
_____)

WHEREAS, the Directors of the Hills Valley Irrigation District currently are elected at-large in odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 10404 provides that a special district may, by resolution, require that its election of governing body members be held in the same election cycle as the Statewide General Election; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Directors has determined that the consolidation with the Statewide General Election would result in significant cost savings to the District; and

WHEREAS, said Governing board has requested the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County and the Board of Supervisors of Tulare County to consent to and order said election of Directors to occur in the same election cycle as statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, such consolidation could save the District money; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has caused notice of the receipt of the resolution to request that the District's election of Directors be allowed to occur in the same cycle as statewide general elections be transmitted to all districts located in the County requesting input from each district on the effect of consolidation pursuant to Elections Code section 1004(c)

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HILLS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT HEREBY FINDS AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board finds that changing from odd to even year elections could reduce election costs, could increase voter participation and is in the best interest of the District;
2. The Board requests the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and the Tulare County Board of Supervisors each approve changing from odd to even year elections; and
3. If approved by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors and the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, the Board of Directors acknowledges that, by operation of law, the terms of all existing members of the Board of Directors shall be extended by one year.


This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Hills Valley Irrigation District on May 14, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Archer, Booth and Schroeder

NOES: None


ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None


Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Dennis R. Keller, Secretary of the Hills Valley Irrigation District, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution made, passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of said District, at a Regular Meeting of said Board duly called and held on the 14th day of May, 2015.


Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

TO ALL SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN TULARE COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Elections Code Section 10404 (c), that the Board of Directors of the Hills Valley Irrigation District submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval a resolution moving governing board member elections for the district, currently scheduled in November of odd-numbered years, to even-numbered years beginning in 2020 and thereafter.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that input is requested from you, if you so desire, on the effect of consolidation of said district's election, which input must be received by April 23, 2019 prior to the Board's consideration for the matter at its regular meeting on April 30, 2019.

Dated: March 25, 2019



ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: Mary Ronello
Deputy Clerk