

Attachment 4: School District Resolutions Awaiting Board Approval

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Blue Lake Union School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 27, 2017

Summary

On March 6, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 2016/17-02 from the Blue Lake Union School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Blue Lake Union Elementary School District, which has approximately 1,635 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, Blue Lake Union Elementary School District will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

If Blue Lake Union School District switches to even-numbered election years and goes to election in the future, it would pay much less than if it remains in odd-numbered year elections and actually goes to the ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

**BLUE LAKE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2016/17-02**

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO
AUTHORIZE CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING
EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Blue Lake Union School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Blue Lake Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Blue Lake Union School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Blue Lake Union School District.

BLUELAKE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Bridgeville Elementary School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 27, 2017

Summary

On March 6, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a resolution from the Bridgeville Elementary School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Bridgeville Elementary School District, which has approximately 333 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2013 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Bridgeville Elementary School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.90, and the district was charged \$925. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Bridgeville Union Elementary School District would have paid approximately \$250 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

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Bridgeville Elementary School District
Resolution

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY
ELECTIONS

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Bridgeville School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Bridgeville School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Bridgeville School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of February, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Bridgeville School District.

BRIDGEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By: 
Board President

Attest: 
Clerk

**Bridgeville Elementary School District
Resolution**

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
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Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Bridgeville School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of February, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Bridgeville School District.

BRIDGEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By: 
Board President

Attest: 
Clerk

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**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Cutten School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 27, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 1017-03 from the Cutten School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5(d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Cutten School District, which has approximately 3,300 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters in the district, Cutten School District must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2005 Uniform District Election (UDEL), the district had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.28, and the district was charged \$2,900. For this election, there were statewide measures on the ballot, so the district essentially paid what it would have paid in a statewide general election.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing the ever increasing volume of vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.



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CUTTEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 1017-03

RESOLUTION FOR CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS

WHEREAS, sections 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permit Cutten School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the governing board of Cutten School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, BY CHANGING THE NEXT GOVERNING BOARD ELECTION FROM November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code Section 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code sections 1302(b) and 10404.5, the governing board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of office shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in the Cutten School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changed in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code sections 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this March 6th day of March, 2017
at the special meeting of the governing board of the Cutten School District.

CUTTEN SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: Becky Reece
Board President

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk of the Board



Cutten School District

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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March 7, 2017

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors
Clerk of the Board
825 Fifth Street
Eureka, California 95501

Re: Resolution for Change of Election Day

Enclosed please find our Board's Resolution for Change of Election Day of the Governing Board and Requesting the Board of Supervisors for the County of Humboldt to Authorize Consolidation with the November Election During Even-Numbered Years.

Please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned should there be any questions.

Very truly yours,

JeanneMarie Baker
District Business Manager

JB/Encl.

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Ferndale Unified School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received resolution number 01-1617 from the Ferndale Unified School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Ferndale Unified School District, which has approximately 1,815 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters in the district, Ferndale Unified School District must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2013 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Ferndale Unified School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.90, and the district was charged \$4,875. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Ferndale Unified School District would have paid approximately \$1,400 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

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Ferndale Unified School District
Resolution No. 01-1617

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Ferndale Unified School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Ferndale Unified School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

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Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Ferndale Unified School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Ferndale Unified School District.

FERNDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Fieldbrook School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 9, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received resolution number 0217 from the Fieldbrook School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Fieldbrook School District, which has approximately 671 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters in the district, Fieldbrook School District must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

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No past billing information was located for Fieldbrook School District. However, if Fieldbrook School District switches to even-numbered election years and goes to election in the future, it would most certainly pay much less than if it remains in odd-numbered year elections and actually goes to the ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

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Fieldbrook School District
Resolution No. 0217

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY
ELECTIONS

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Fieldbrook School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Fieldbrook School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

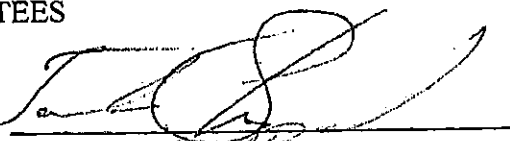
Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.


Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Fieldbrook School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of February, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Fieldbrook School District.

FIELDBROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By: 
Board President

Attest: 
Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Fortuna Union High School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 3, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 2016-2017.05 from the Fortuna Union High School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Fortuna Union High School District, which has approximately 12,350 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2015 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Fortuna Union High School District had two governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$1.43, and the district was charged \$33,650. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Fortuna Union High School District would have paid approximately \$6,200 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

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**Fortuna Union High School District
Resolution No. 2016-2017.05**

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Fortuna Union High School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Fortuna Union High School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Fortuna Union High School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the abovenamed Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of February, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Fortuna Union High School District.

**FORTUNA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Green Point School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 1002-2017 from the Greenpoint School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Greenpoint School District, which has approximately 114 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2003 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Greenpoint School District had two governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.50, and the district was charged \$125. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Greenpoint School District would have paid approximately \$57 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

Green Point School District

Resolution No. 1002-2017

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Green Point School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Green Point School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Green Point School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Kneeland School District.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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KNEELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By: Susan E. Long Marshall
Board President

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk

Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Humboldt County Office of Education

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 9, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a resolution from the Humboldt County Office of Education requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Humboldt County Office of Education, which has approximately 80,200 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2015 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Humboldt County Office of Education had one governing board member position on the ballot for Trustee Area 4 (approximately 14,200 voters). The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$1.43, and the district was charged \$19,450. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Humboldt County Office of Education would have paid approximately \$3,550 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is

less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

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Impact on Voters

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY
ELECTIONS

**RESOLUTION REGARDING CHANGING OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING
BOARD AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION
DURING EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits the Humboldt County Office of Education to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Humboldt County Office of Education to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

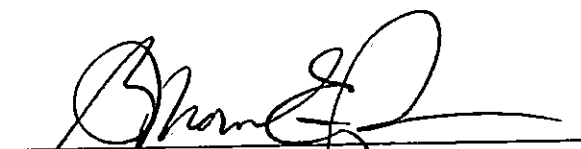
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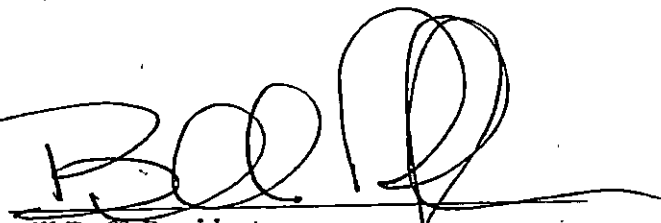
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Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Humboldt County Schools Board of Education


Garry T. Eagles, Ph.D., Humboldt County
Superintendent of Schools


Bill Ruff, President
Humboldt County Board of Education

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Hydesville School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On January 25, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received resolution number 111716 from the Hydesville School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Hydesville School District, which has approximately 830 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Since there is no election to compare results, Hydesville School District does not fall below the threshold set forth in Elections Code § 14052, and it is not mandatory for it to switch to even-numbered years at this time. However, Election Code §1302(b), allows the governing body of a school district the ability to transition to even-numbered year elections regardless of whether it experiences decreased voter turnout or not. Therefore, any school district can move.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

No past billing information was located for Hydesville School District. However, if Hydesville School District switches to even-numbered election years and goes to election in the future, it would most certainly pay less than if it remains in odd-numbered year elections and actually goes to the ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

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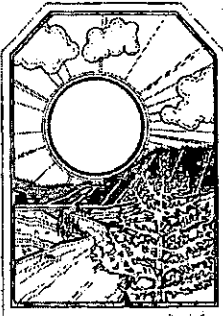
Impact on Voters

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ELECTIONS



Hydesville Elementary School District

P.O. Box 551 • Hydesville, California 95547-0551

GOVERNING BOARD of the HYDESVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution to Reschedule Election of Governing Board Members

Resolution No.

WHEREAS, the current date for election of members of the Governing Board of Hydesville Elementary School District ("District") is every two (2) years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years (e.g. November 2017) (Education Code section 5000 and Elections Code section 1302 (a)); and

WHEREAS, statewide general elections are held in California only in June and November of even-numbered years (e.g., November 2016) (Elections Code section 1001); and

WHEREAS, the District is located within Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, generally voter turnout is greater for statewide general elections than for local elections, including school board member elections held in November of odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 415, an act (which may be cited to as the California Voter Participation Rights Act (herein "the Act")) to add Chapter 1.7 (commencing with Section 14050) to Division 14 of the Elections Code, was approved by the California Governor and filed with the Secretary of State on September 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Commencing January 1, 2018, the Act prohibits a political subdivision from holding an election other than on a statewide election date (i.e. "off-cycle") if holding an election on a non-concurrent date has previously resulted in voter turnout for a regularly scheduled election in the political subdivision being at least 25% less than the average voter turnout within the political subdivision for the previous four statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, a political subdivision may, however, hold an off-cycle election if, by January 1, 2018, the political subdivision has adopted a plan to consolidate a future election with a statewide election not later than the November 8, 2022, statewide general election; and

WHEREAS, The Act authorizes attorney's fees to a prevailing plaintiff who has appropriately filed an action in superior court to enforce the Act's prohibition; and

WHEREAS, the District may achieve a savings in the cost of its elections, if the District's elections are consolidated with the statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these facts, the Board desires to change the date of future board member elections to be consolidated with the California statewide general election in order to save public funds and provide greater voter input into school board elections; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 1302(b) establishes a procedure whereby the Governing Board may change the election date for its board members by adopting a resolution seeking approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors of the affected county (Elections Code section 10404.5); and

WHEREAS, if the change in election date is approved, it is requested that the new election date be moved from the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2017 to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2018 with board members whose terms would have expired in 2017 being extended to 2018 and board members whose terms would have expired in 2019 being extended to 2020 [refer to Appendix A].

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board hereby finds, determines and/or declares, as follows:

1. Each of the foregoing is true and correct.
2. The Governing Board declares its intent to adopt this resolution to consolidate the election date for members of the Board with the date for the California general election in November in even-numbered years (Elections Code section 1001) pursuant to Elections Code section 1302(b).
3. The Superintendent will forward this resolution to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors explaining the rationale for the resolution and requesting formal approval of the change by the Board of Supervisors at a public meeting held within 60 days after submission and after the resolution has been posted in accordance with the law.
4. The Superintendent will notify the Humboldt County Elections Office that the District is prepared to pay the expense of mailing notice of approval of the change in election date by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors as required by Elections Code 10404.5(e).
5. If the consolidation of election is approved by the Board of Supervisors, the date of that election will be moved to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2018 and each subsequent board member election will be held two years thereafter in November of even years.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board on November 17, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES : 5 NOES : 0 ABSENT : 0 ABSTAIN : 0

Board President

Attest:

Maile Se - Clerk 11/17/16
Shirah Mitten - President 11/17/16

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Kneeland School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 1002-2017 from the Kneeland School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Kneeland School District, which has approximately 273 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

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In the November 2003 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Kneeland School District had one governing board member position on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.50, and the district was charged \$135. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Kneeland School District would have paid approximately \$68 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

**Kneeland School District
Resolution No. 1002-2017**

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Kneeland School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Kneeland School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Kneeland School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Kneeland School District.

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KNEELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Mattole Unified School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a resolution from the Mattole Unified School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

The Mattole Unified School District, which has approximately 380 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Since there is no election to compare results, Mattole Unified School District does not fall below the threshold set forth in Elections Code § 14052, and it is not mandatory for it to switch to even-numbered years at this time. However, Election Code §1302(b), allows the governing body of a school district the ability to transition to even-numbered year elections regardless of whether it experiences decreased voter turnout or not. Therefore, any school district can move.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2009 Uniform District Election (UDEL), the Mattole Unified School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.41, and the district was charged \$478. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. The Mattole Unified School District would have paid approximately \$285 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

Mattole Unified School District
Resolution No.

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HUMBOLDT COUNTY
**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Mattole Unified School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Mattole Unified School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Mattole Unified School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Mattole Unified School District

MATTOLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
McKinleyville Unified School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 8, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a Resolution No. 16-17-10 from the McKinleyville Unified School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

The McKinleyville Unified School District, which has approximately 9,800 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2015 Uniform District Election (UDEL), McKinleyville Unified School District had two governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$1.43, and the district was charged \$25,365. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. McKinleyville Unified School District would have paid approximately \$4,900 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

**McKinleyville Unified School District
Resolution No. 16-17-10**

CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits McKinleyville Union School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the McKinleyville Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district or County Office of Education expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in McKinleyville Union School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of February, 2017 at the Special Meeting of the Governing Board of the McKinleyville Union School District.

McKINLEYVILLE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: _____

Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Northern Humboldt High School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 8, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a Resolution No. 12/2016-17 from the Northern Humboldt High School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

The Northern Humboldt High School District, which has approximately 29,500 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2013 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Northern Humboldt High School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.90, and the district was charged \$71,450. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Northern Humboldt High School District would have paid approximately \$20,000 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

Northern Humboldt Union High School District
Resolution 12/2016-17

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ELECTIONS

CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits Northern Humboldt Union High School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Northern Humboldt Union High School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

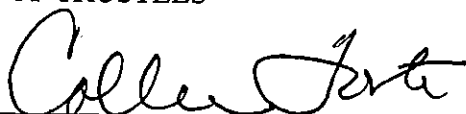
Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

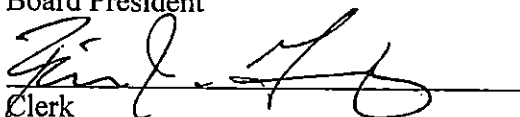
Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Northern Humboldt Union High School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of March, 2017 at the Special Meeting of the Governing Board of the Northern Humboldt Union High School District.

NORTHERN HUMBOLDT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: 
Board President

Attest: 
Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Pacific Union School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a Resolution No. 030917-1 from Pacific Union School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Pacific Union School District, which has approximately 3,275 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Pacific Union School District does not fall below the threshold set forth in Elections Code, Section 10452, and it is not mandatory for them to switch to even-numbered years at this time. However, Elections Code 1302(b) allows the governing body of a school district the ability to transition to even-numbered year elections regardless of whether they experience decreased voter turnout or not, so any school district can move.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2003 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Pacific Union School District had two governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.50, and the district was charged \$3,025. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Pacific Union School District would have paid approximately \$1,625 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

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Pacific Union School District
Resolution No. 030917-1

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits the Pacific Union School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Pacific Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in the Pacific Union School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Pacific Union School District.

PACIFIC UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Jason Barr
Board Pres.

Ted Weller
Board Clerk

By:

Board President

Attest:

Clerk

Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Peninsula Union School District

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 9, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a Resolution No. 201617_#2 from Peninsula Union School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Peninsula Union School District, which has approximately 240 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Peninsula Union School District does not fall below the threshold set forth in Elections Code, Section 10452, and it is not mandatory for them to switch to even-numbered years at this time. However, Elections Code 1302(b) allows the governing body of a school district the ability to transition to even-numbered year elections regardless of whether they experience decreased voter turnout or not, so any school district can move.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2001 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Peninsula Union School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$1.32, and the district was charged \$955. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Peninsula Union School District would have paid approximately \$180 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.



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**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits XXX School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Peninsula Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Peninsula Union School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Peninsula Union School District.

PENINSULA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
OF TRUSTEES

By: 
Board President

Attest:


Clerk

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
South Bay Union School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 9, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received a resolution from South Bay Union School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

South Bay Union School District, which has approximately 3,950 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2003 Uniform District Election (UDEL), South Bay Union School District had three governing board member positions on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.50, and the district was charged \$6,050. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. South Bay Union School District would have paid approximately \$3,000 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

South Bay Union School District
Resolution No.

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits South Bay Union School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the South Bay Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the South Bay Union School District Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in South Bay Union School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of MARCH, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the South Bay Union School District.

SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: _____

Board President

Attest: *Henry Hunter*
Clerk

Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Southern Humboldt Joint Unified School District

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 8, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 05-1617 from Southern Humboldt Joint Unified School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

Southern Humboldt Joint Unified School District, which has approximately 5,050 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Because of significantly lower turnout by the voters, the district must change to even-numbered year elections no later than 2022 according to Elections Code, Section 14052. If the change is approved, the district will experience a savings in future even-numbered year elections.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

In the November 2003 Uniform District Election (UDEL), Southern Humboldt Joint Unified School District had one governing board member position on the ballot. The cost per voting opportunity for the UDEL was \$.50, and the district was charged \$2,418. The average cost of the past 3 statewide general elections held in even numbered years is \$.25 per voting opportunity. Southern Humboldt Joint Unified School District would have paid approximately \$1,212 for the contest had it appeared on a statewide general election ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

**Southern Humboldt Unified School District
Resolution No. 05-1617**

**Change of Election Day of the Governing Board and Requesting the Board of Supervisors
for the Counties of Humboldt and Mendocino to Authorize Consolidation with the
November Election During Even-Numbered Years**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permits the Southern Humboldt Unified School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the Counties of Humboldt and Mendocino;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Southern Humboldt Unified School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 [*odd-numbered year*] to November, 2018 [*even-numbered year*], the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

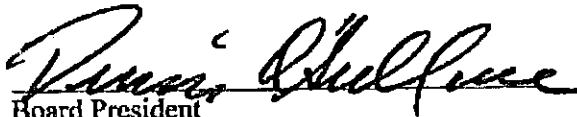
Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in the Southern Humboldt Unified School District informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302, subd. (b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of December, 2016 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Southern Humboldt Unified School District.

**SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

By: 
Board President

**Impact Analysis
District Consolidation from Odd-Year to Even-Year General Elections
Trinidad Union School District**

To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

From: Kelly E. Sanders, Clerk/Recorder/Registrar of Voters

Date: March 28, 2017

Summary

On March 10, 2017, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors received Resolution No. 03092017 from the Trinidad Union School District requesting the district election cycle be held in even-numbered years. Pursuant to Elections Code, Section 10404.5 (d)(1), the following is an impact analysis of the effects that may result due to the consolidation.

The Trinidad Union School District, which has approximately 1,500 registered voters, currently participates in odd-numbered year elections. The district wants to reduce future election costs by moving to even-numbered year general elections. Since there is no election to compare results, Trinidad Union School District does not fall below the threshold set forth in Elections Code § 14052, and it is not mandatory for it to switch to even-numbered years at this time. However, Election Code §1302(b), allows the governing body of a school district the ability to transition to even-numbered year elections regardless of whether it experiences decreased voter turnout or not. Therefore, any school district can move.

Fiscal Impact, Districts

Many jurisdictions participate in even-numbered year statewide elections (federal, state, county and cities) and share the costs. The portion attributable to federal, state and county, which on average is approximately 87% of the total cost of an even-numbered year election, is absorbed by the county. Therefore the amount charged to each local jurisdiction, i.e. cities, schools and special districts, is much lower in an even-numbered year.

No past billing information was located for Trinidad Union School District. However, if the district switches to even-numbered election years and goes to election in the future, it would most certainly pay less than if it remains in odd-numbered year elections and actually goes to the ballot.

Other districts not changing to even-numbered years may see an increase in expenses. There are times when jurisdictions don't have sufficient nominees to go to election. When there is less sharing of voters or ballot types, costs increase to the remaining districts and at times, a

district is responsible for the full cost of a ballot type. The likelihood of a district bearing the entire cost of a ballot type will increase for districts that remain in odd-numbered years.

Fiscal Impact, County

As districts move from odd to even-year elections, there will be an overall cost increase including costs due to additional ballot types, a longer ballot, and the probability of a two page ballot. The size of the voter information guide will increase as will the costs for mailing the voter guide and vote-by-mail ballots. Additional staff and extra help hours will be expended for logic and accuracy testing, programming, and processing ballots. Though districts will continue to be billed for their share in election costs, theirs is a much smaller percentage of total costs. The County's actual costs are expected to increase.

Elections Code, Section 15372, states the elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election. Because governing board members of special and school districts would take office on the first Friday in December following the district general election, Elections Code, Section 10511(a), requires the elections official to declare the elected candidate or candidates no later than the Monday before the first Friday in December, which will shorten the canvass period for elections in even-numbered years from 30 days to 27 days. This would negatively impact the Office of Elections, especially in a Presidential Election year when all 30 days are needed to complete the canvass. Automated scanning and sorting equipment to assist staff with processing vote-by-mail ballots would be required.

Impact on Voters

The original purpose of UDEL elections was to provide a local platform for districts and candidates to appeal to voters, avoiding conflict with the extensive state and federal general election cycle. Even though voter turnout is higher in a general election with the consolidation of special districts, there will be more contests and candidates appearing on the ballot and more measures and candidate statements appearing in the voter information guide. This can lead to an increase in voter drop off, that is, voters failing to make their way through all of the information and through all of the races on the ballot.

Trinidad Union School District
Resolution No. 03092017

**CHANGE OF ELECTION DAY OF THE GOVERNING BOARD AND REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT TO AUTHORIZE
CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER ELECTION DURING EVEN-NUMBERED
YEARS**

WHEREAS, §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5 of the Elections Code permit Trinidad Union School District to change its election day with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Governing Board of the Trinidad Union School District to provide its constituents with the lowest possible cost while promoting the increasingly efficient and effective use of government resources; and

WHEREAS, by changing the next governing board election from November, 2017 to November, 2018, the costs of an election would be deferred for an additional calendar year;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the mandate of SB 415 (Elections Code § 14050 et seq.), requiring political subdivisions that have had a significant decrease in voter turnout to hold their elections only on the same day as a statewide election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DECLARED, DETERMINED AND
ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5, the Governing Board hereby, by this resolution, changes its election from the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each odd-numbered year to the First Tuesday after the First Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and, further, that the election shall be consolidated with all other elections held throughout the territory on that day.

Section 2. That terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but no more than twelve months.

Section 3. That the Registrar of Voters shall cause, at district expense, a notice to be mailed to all registered voters in Trinidad Union School District, informing them of the change of election date specified herein and of the resultant changes in terms of the elected officeholders.

Section 4. This resolution shall become operative upon approval by all of the above-named Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code §§ 1302(b) and 10404.5.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of March, 2017 at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the

Trinidad Union School District BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: Aranda Morehead
Board President

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk