

GOLDEN WEST COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Resolution No. 2026-07

Setting Forth an Argument in Favor of the District's 2026 Special Tax Ballot Measure

WHEREAS, Section 18420.1(e)(3) of the California Code of Regulations (2 CCR §18420.1(e)(3)) provides that local government agencies may employ public funds to develop and file written arguments for publishing in the voter information pamphlet for an election, and,

WHEREAS, certain portions of 2 CCR §18420.1 draw distinctions between regulated campaign materials and unregulated “fair presentation of facts serving only an informational purpose,” and,

WHEREAS, the District adopted Resolution 2026-06, to Call a Ballot Measure to a Vote of the District in the Gubernatorial General Election held on November 3, 2026, and,

WHEREAS, District Resolution 2026-06 provided the text of a ballot measure to increase the District's Special Tax, and,

WHEREAS, said Ballot Measure text has subsequently been filed with the County of El Dorado Elections Department for consideration as Measure R in said General Election,

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Golden West Community Services District Board of Directors approves the text appearing in Attachment 1 hereto as an Argument in Favor of Measure R to be published in said election's Voter Information Pamphlet, and,

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the District shall file said Argument with the County of El Dorado Elections Department for publication under the signatures of the District President and the District Vice President.

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the **Golden West Community Services District** at a Special Meeting of the said Board held on the 9th day of July 2026 by the following vote:

ATTEST

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

GWCS D Chairman of the Board of Directors

GWCS D Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1.

Argument in Favor of Measure R

In 1984, residents of our Golden West Community Services District voted to levy a Special Tax of \$120 per year on each parcel to maintain and improve our District's public roads. Over the years, we have used those revenues to provide safe, well-maintained roadways for our community. While we have succeeded so far – witness the superior condition of our roads relative to local roads maintained by the County – we face two major challenges from costs that have increased dramatically since 2020.

First, the \$120 annual Special Tax buys much less roadway than when it was passed in 1984. Our 2020 asphalt re-paving project cost \$35 per foot of roadway. Today, the cost is \$94 per foot. That's an average 18% increase per year, compared to the general inflation rate of about 4.3%!

Second, deferred maintenance means higher costs in the future. If costs and revenues continue on their present trajectories, our next major project – resurfacing District roads on the east side of Highway 49 – is project to be completed in 2042 at a cost of \$2.5 million. If this Measure passes, completion advances to 2035 at a cost of \$1.7 million. If this Measure passes AND inflation comes down, completion can occur even earlier at even lower cost.

A vote for this measure will save us time and money (at least 7 years and ¾ million dollars), keep our roads on both sides of Highway 49 in good condition, and allow us to devote more effort, sooner, to renewing private-road encroachments and replacing aging drainage facilities.

A vote against this measure will delay our road and drainage work, allow the condition of our roads to deteriorate, and result in higher costs to repair and maintain them.

For more information, please visit gwcsd.org.

/s/ Marc Regelbrugge
President, Golden West CSD

/s/ Stan Hill
Vice President, Golden West CSD