ABOUT THE CITIZENS’ BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

On April 17, 2002, the Los Rios Board of Trustees approved the creation of a Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee to ensure compliance with all Proposition 39 requirements and established bylaws under which the Oversight Committee operates. The committee meets three times a year, generally in July, November and March. All committee meetings are open to the public and meeting minutes and reports can be found on the Los Rios District Web site at www.losrios.edu.

2006-07 MEMBERS

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On the cover: Sacramento City College Parking Garage
Fine Arts Modernization: Similar to the other modernizations at Sacramento City College, this facility built in 1939 has never been renovated. This project will cost approximately $8.6 million with $3.8 million contributed by Measure A and $4.8 million funded by the State. The project is in the working drawings stage. $190,000 of Measure A funds have been expended to date. Construction is planned to begin in Spring 2008.

Temporary Portables/Swing Space: These portable buildings provide temporary facilities to house instructional programs displaced during modernization projects, including the Technology and Cosmetology renovations. The cost to Measure A totaled $704,000. The project was completed in Fall 2005. A second phase budgeted at $480,000 from Measure A relocates portables from FLC to SCC in Summer 2007. Expenditures to date are $7,700.

Cafeteria Modernization: The total project cost of $2.5 million was funded from Measure A and other district funds. This project was completed in September 2003. Measure A contributed $1.5 million.

Technology Building Modernization: Measure A contributed $2.4 million to the $4.1 million project to modernize this facility constructed in 1957. Construction was completed in Spring 2006.

Cosmetology and Graphics Modernization: This project is to modernize the facility constructed in 1951. Measure A contributed $1.9 million and the State funded $1.1 million. The project was completed in July 2006.

Monument Signs: This project, completed in Winter 2006, provided new monument signage at the Sutterville entrance to the college. The amount funded from Measure A was $88,000, and the other half of the project costs were funded by the campus.

Water Tower Purchase: The District completed the purchase and remodeling of offices adjacent to the current district office facilities to house its Resource Development programs. The total cost of the project was $492,000. Of those expenditures, Measure A funded $464,500.

Board Room Remodel: This project modernized the District’s outdated Board Room. The budget was $706,000 from Measure A funds. This project was completed in March 2006. To date $706,000 has been expended.

Facilities Management Relocation: During 2004-05 the District acquired and relocated the Facilities Management department from a leased facility into a new building with over 57,000 square feet. The relocation of the department occurred in Spring 2005, and tenant improvements were completed by December 2005. The cost, funded by Measure A, was $5.0 million.

Water Tower - Additional Space: Measure A included plans to expand the District Office facilities to accommodate growth. Additional space became available in the Water Tower facility located next to the District Office site and it was determined that it was more cost effective to purchase the facility rather than build new offices. 4,400 square feet of furnished space was acquired for a total of $1.1 million using Measure A funds.

**Total Measure A Expenditures since inception: $100.7 million**

*includes bond issuance costs
West Sacramento Site Acquisition: $18.1 million. North Gym entrance. To date, Measure A expenditures total $1.9 million.

North Gym Modernization: $1.53 million. The Center is currently being master planned in conjunction with the City of West Sacramento. Construction commenced in Spring 2005 and completed Winter 2006. The parking structure was opened for the Spring 2008 at a total cost of $12.7 million, $7.8 million from Measure A, with the balance funded locally. A State-funded project. The project, which was funded by Measure A, was completed in August 2005, and cost $1.5 million.


El Dorado Center New Instructional and Library Space: This is the third phase of new instructional facilities for the college and includes the transportation and parking infrastructure to support the increased capacity. Over 71,000 square feet of new buildings and 900 parking stalls have been added at an estimated cost of $26.9 million. This project is funded with a combination of State and Measure A funds at $10.7 million and $16.2 million respectively. Construction commenced in Spring 2005 and completed Winter 2006.

SCC has had a history of inadequate parking capacity for the number of students attending the campus. The TAP plan provided a new 1,364 stall parking garage, new surface parking facilities, and significant circulation improvements on and around the campus. The total project cost is estimated at $36.2 million with $20.2 million funded by Measure A. The overall project commenced construction in Spring 2005. The parking structure was opened for the Spring 2007 semester. An additional faculty parking is currently under construction and the final stage of improvements will add a pedestrian mall at the North Gym entrance. To date, Measure A expenditures total $18.1 million.

West Sacramento Site Acquisition: In December 2004, the District completed the acquisition of the site for the West Sacramento Center at a cost of $1.53 million. The Center is currently being master planned in conjunction with the City of West Sacramento. Construction is anticipated to start in Spring 2008 at a total cost of $12.7 million, $7.8 million from Measure A, and the balance funded locally. To date, Measure A expenditures are $1.9 million.

North Gym Modernization: This project, which will modernize the current facility built in 1957, is budgeted at $7.3 million with $4.3 million to be funded by Measure A and $3.0 million funded from the State. The construction contract has been awarded and will start in the Summer of 2007. Measure A expenditure to date total $366,000.

INTRODUCTION

On March 5, 2002, voters approved Measure A authorizing issuance of a $265 million General Obligation Bond by the Los Rios Community College District. These funds are to be used for modernizing existing facilities and construction of new facilities at the District’s four colleges and District Office. The election was conducted under Proposition 39, which requires the establishment of a Citizen’s Bond Oversight Committee. The committee, representing various constituents of the community and appointed by the Board of Trustees, is responsible for the review of bond expenditures and the presentation of an annual report.

This publication is intended to present to the community a cumulative summary of the expenditures of the District’s Bond Measure, as well as the Committee’s activities for the preceding year.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

On July 31, 2006, the district sold its third issuance, Series C in the amount of $70 million. This brings the total bonds issued to $162.5 million of the $265 million authorized. Series A was issued in August 2002 at the amount of $27.5 million and Series B was issued in April 2004 in the amount of $65 million. The district continues to receive strong insured ratings of AAA from Standard & Poor’s and Aaa from Moody’s, resulting in lower interest rates.

During the past year, the committee reviewed the financial activity for capital projects funded by bond proceeds as well as project updates for new and continuing capital projects. The committee also received the District’s Independent Accountants’ Report for the financial activity as of June 30, 2006. This report is in support of the requirement for a separate review of the financial activity per the provisions of Proposition 39. The committee received updates on the District’s budget and changes in the State funding formula. The district plans for Scheduled Maintenance and Special Repairs projects were reviewed along with the Cosumnes River College Facilities Master Plan for 2000-2015. Tours of the various campus projects were also conducted during the year.

Over the course of the year, the committee was apprised of the process for establishing the funding priorities between and within the colleges. Priorities are primarily based on college and programmatic needs. These have then been matched with other (State and District) funding sources to leverage the District resources and maximize the impact of the community funded projects. In addition, interest earned on bond proceeds will be used to fund additional projects.
Measure A Projects

**Summary**

Ill expenditures authorized by the School Facilities Bond have been reviewed by the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee to ensure that the money is spent only on school facility improvements authorized by the Bond Act. All funds expended from Measure A will be audited annually by an independent audit firm. The Oversight Committee has reviewed expenditures and projects and believes the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution and consistent with the District’s approved Measure A local bond measure.

Implementation of the District’s long-term capital plans continues to progress. Over $168 million of the Measure A authorization has been designated for the following forty-one projects. The status of these projects ranges from early planning to completion. These expenditures authorized by the School Facilities Bond have been fully expended by the projects identified below.

**American River College**

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