

Marin Democrats and Republicans Agree:

YES on T

Vote Before Spending!

Measure T guarantees a vote of the public before the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) spends \$30 million more on a desalination plant in San Rafael.

- **Measure T is fiscally responsible.** MMWD has spent 20 years and millions of ratepayer dollars pushing a San Rafael desalination plant to convert Bay water into drinking water. Measure T requires a vote of the public before MMWD spends \$30 million more on permits, designs, and contracts for this desalination plant.
- **Measure T is a community measure.** Local citizens collected over 18,000 signatures from Marin voters to put Measure T on the ballot.
- **Measure T is endorsed by the Marin Democratic and Republican Parties.** In a rare moment of agreement, both parties are calling for a vote of the public before MMWD spends millions more on advancing this controversial desalination plant.



Join Us in Supporting Measure T!



SENATOR MARK LENO

ORGANIZATIONS:

Marin Democratic Party, Marin Republican Party, Marin Green Party, Democracy For America-Marine, 6th AD Democrats, Food & Water Watch, Sustainable Fairfax, Marin Peace and Justice Coalition Sustainable San Anselmo, Surfrider Foundation-Marine County, Marin Coalition, Marin Water Coalition, Sustainable Tam Al Monte, Marin Mothers for Safe Water, Green Science Policy Institute, Social Justice Center of Marin

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No on S

"More Spending"



Measure S is fiscally irresponsible. Measure S is written by MMWD and intended to undermine the community's Measure T. Measure S allows MMWD to spend up to \$30 million on contracting, permitting, designing, engineering, and setting up the desalination plant without voter approval.

Table ES.4: Desalination Facility Conceptual Capital Cost Estimates

MMWD Desalination Facility				
Project Cost Component	Case A: 5 MGD Not Expandable	Case B: 5 MGD "Typical" Expansion	Case C: 5 MGD "Rapid" Expansion	Case D: 10 MGD "Typical" Expansion
Basic Facility and Intake Costs	\$47,275,000	\$49,656,000	\$62,570,000	\$70,265,000
Construction Markup @ 18% of Basic Cost	\$8,511,000	\$8,940,000	\$11,265,000	\$12,648,000
Contingency @ 25% of Basic Cost	\$11,819,000	\$12,414,000	\$15,643,000	\$17,567,000
Escalation to Mid-Point of Construction @ 15% of Basic Cost	\$7,092,000	\$7,449,000	\$9,386,000	\$10,540,000
Construction Market Uncertainty for SWRO Facility @ 15% of Basic Cost	\$7,092,000	\$7,449,000	\$9,386,000	\$10,540,000
Total Desalination Facility Construction Cost	\$81,789,000	\$85,908,000	\$108,250,000	\$121,560,000
Desalination Facility Cost per Gallon of Capacity, \$	\$16	\$17	\$22	\$12
Non-Construction Costs @ 14% of Basic Cost (Permitting, Engineering, Construction Management)	\$6,846,000	\$7,156,000	\$8,835,000	\$9,836,000
MMWD Distribution System Improvements Cost	\$22,600,000	\$22,600,000	\$42,000,000	\$42,000,000
Total Project Cost w/ Distribution System Improvements	\$111,235,000	\$115,664,000	\$159,085,000	\$173,396,000

Measure S allows \$30 million of ratepayer money to be spent on desalination without voter approval. Source: MMWD Desalination Engineering report, 2007

For 20 years MMWD has pushed a controversial desalination plant in San Rafael to convert SF Bay water into drinking water. Desalination would double MMWD's energy use, promote development, raise rates, and pollute the Bay. Desalinated water from the SF Bay could be contaminated with pollutants, pharmaceuticals, mercury, and other toxins. The total price of a desalination plant is \$400 million.



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★ **VOTE NO on S, YES on T** ★

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