

**MEASURE A
PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

To maintain rapid local emergency paramedic and fire response solely within the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, and continue current staffing of firefighters and equipment ready for emergencies, shall a special property tax of \$185.00 per year per parcel, raising approximately \$925,000.00 annually, be adopted by the District, with a discretionary annual adjustment equal to the increase in the CPI-West Region, but no greater than 3%, with all funds staying in our community?

YES

NO

Full Text of Measure A

**FULL TEXT OF SPECIAL TAX MEASURE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PARCEL TAX
FOR FIRE SUPPRESSION, PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE SERVICES**

The Placer Hills Fire Protection District is responsible for fire protection and emergency medical response services to the rural areas within Placer County encompassing just over 12,500 residents, covering 35 square miles.

In order to maintain prompt local fire protection and emergency medical response services within Placer Hills Fire Protection District, to maintain current fire station staffing, and to ensure firefighters are available to respond to all emergencies, to keep property insurance rates manageable, and to adequately train and equip firefighters, the District proposes to levy a special tax on each taxable parcel of land within the District at the annual rate of \$185.00 per parcel, with all tax revenues to remain in the district.

To ensure the District can continue to serve the residents within its jurisdiction as costs increase through inflation, periodic adjustments to the tax rate may be necessary. Such annual adjustments may not be adopted more frequently than once in any twelve (12) month period. Annual adjustments may be limited to a percentage increase equal to the Consumer Price Index for the West Region and may under no circumstances be greater than 3%. Annual adjustments may require approval of the District Board at a regular meeting following a duly noticed public hearing.

Taxable parcels are those parcels that appear on the annual secured Placer County property tax roll and are billable for Placer Hills Fire Protection District services.

The purpose of this parcel tax will be to ensure continued local fire suppression and protection as well as rapid emergency response services for all residents, employees, and visitors in the District. The revenues raised by this special tax will only be used to defray operating expenses and capital improvement expenditures to accomplish the foregoing purposes.

If the special tax is approved by two-thirds of the voters voting on the measure, the District's appropriations limit will be increased by the amount of this voter-approved tax.

The special tax revenues shall be deposited into a separate account for exclusive use by the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, in accordance with Government Code Section 50075.1, and shall be expended by the District according to a plan developed annually by the District's staff and approved and adopted by the District's Board of Directors.

The District will cause to be filed an annual report with its Board of Directors, which report shall include the amount of special tax revenues collected and expended, and which shall otherwise comply with the accountability measures established in Government Code Sections 50075.1 et seq.

Any property owner who is assessed a special tax as provided for herein may appeal any determination by the District concerning the nature of the use of the property or the calculation of the amount of the tax by filing a notice of appeal with the District offices. Any such appeal shall be filed by December 1st of the calendar year for which the tax is levied. The appeal shall be filed on the form provided by the District and shall contain a statement by the property owner as to the nature and basis for the appeal in accordance with the District's appeal procedure.