

10. Hold public hearing to consider proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Benefit Assessment rates for County Service Area No. 32, View Circle, continue the public hearing to June 10, 2025, to allow for tabulation and certification of the ballots, and take related actions ()



## **County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors**

### **Agenda Item Submittal**

**From:** Community Development and Infrastructure

**Subject:** CSA No. 32, View Circle Benefit Assessment Rates for Fiscal Year 2025-26

**Meeting Date:** April 8, 2025

**Formal Title:** Hold public hearing to consider proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Benefit Assessment rates for County Service Area No. 32, View Circle, continue the public hearing to June 10, 2025, to allow for tabulation and certification of the ballots, and take related actions

### **Recommended Actions**

1. Open the public hearing, and hear objections or protests, if any, to the proposed benefit assessments for County Service Area (CSA) No. 32 View Circle;
2. Request the submittal of all ballots for the proposed FY 2025-26 benefit assessments for CSA No. 32 View Circle;
3. Close the public comment portion of the public hearing; and
4. Continue the public hearing to June 10, 2025, to allow for tabulation and certification of the ballots.

### **Executive Summary**

County Service Area No. 32, View Circle, located in Felton, wishes to increase their benefit assessment rate by \$284.38 for FY 2025-26 and thereafter to fund road maintenance and operations services to benefit the properties within the CSA. In order to complete the proposed benefit assessments, it will be necessary for the Board to open the public hearing, take testimonies, and consider objections or protests to the proposed benefit assessments.

### **Discussion**

On February 11, 2025, the Board adopted a resolution of intention to authorize and levy an increased assessment for road maintenance and operations within CSA No. 32 View Circle. Additionally, the Board directed Community Development and Infrastructure to mail out ballots to the owners of record within the CSA and return today for the public hearing. CSA No. 32, View Circle in Felton consists of 11 parcels, 2 of which are not assessed as they are of token value, have an assessed valuation of \$5,000 or less, or are unbuildable. Currently, the 9 parcels are assessed at \$315.62 annually. CSA No. 32 proposes to increase the assessment for each parcel by \$284.38. Assessments will be levied on the 9 parcels at \$600 per parcel per year.

To continue with the benefit assessment proceeding, it will be necessary for the Board to hear objections or protests, if any; request ballots; close the public testimony portion of the public hearing; and continue the public hearing to June 10, 2025, to allow for tabulation and certification of the ballot proceedings.

### **Financial Impact**

The proposed benefit assessment will continue to provide an adequate source of

funding for the road maintenance operations of CSA No. 32, View Circle. CSAs are self-funded, and the FY 2025-26 assessment will have no General Fund impact.

The proposed increase affects No. 32, View Circle only, Fund 22420, GL Key 622420 GL Object 41582. If passed, the Election will increase revenue by \$2,559.42 annually, for total FY 2025-26 annual assessment revenue of \$5,400.00. If the election does not pass, the FY 2025-26 revenue for the CSA will be the prior year's amount of \$2,840.58. The proposed assessment will be levied on the CSA's 9 parcels at \$600 per parcel per year.

### **Strategic Initiatives**

Operational Plan - Reliable Transportation

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### **Artificial Intelligence Acknowledgment:**

Artificial Intelligence (AI) did not significantly contribute to the development of this agenda item.