

Lindsay



Unified School District

Measure “L” Construction Program Current Status of Phase I Projects

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Background of The District's Local Funding Measures

- The District has successfully implemented three General Obligation (GO) bond programs in 2002, 2008, and 2012
- The 2002 Measure “C” program authorized GO bonds in the amount of \$7.2 million and were used in conjunction with State Aid to modernize the District’s existing schools
- All of the Measure “C” bonds have been sold
- The 2008 Measure “B” program authorized GO bonds in the amount of \$20.7 million and were used in conjunction with State Aid to fund the construction of two new school
- Approximately \$12.9 million of the Measure “B” bonds remain unissued, and future issuances are subject to adequate growth in assessed valuation
- The 2012 Measure “L” program authorized GO bonds in the amount of \$16 million and in conjunction with State Aid, is intended to continue the District’s construction and school modernization program pursuant to the facilities plan
- Approximately \$5.2 million of Measure “L” bonds have been issued, and \$10.8 million remains unissued; a portion of the remaining authorization can be issued at this time

Process of Establishing the 2012 Measure “L” Bond Program

- In 2012, the District completed an assessment of existing facilities that focused on the goals of improving academic achievement, enhancing General Fund sustainability, and increasing functionality at existing sites
- A Facilities Assessment and Implementation Plan was prepared to fund and sequence the construction of required improvements and developed a strategy to garner additional State modernization funding for the District’s older schools
- The District also conducted a survey to ascertain the community’s support for the proposed projects
- The survey indicated community support for projects to construct and modernize facilities that improve functionality and support academic achievement and improve General Fund sustainability
- On the basis of the District’s needs and community support, the District prepared and adopted the Facilities Assessment and Implementation Plan
- The Board called for an election in November 2012; at the election, Measure “L” was approved at a 58.7% passage rate

Phase I Measure “L” Program Overview and Progress to Date

- The Phase I Measure “L” program has been established to focus on modernizing existing permanent classrooms and support facilities at Jefferson, Lincoln, Washington, and Reagan Elementary Schools
- The District’s design team has completed the architectural design plans for the Phase I projects of the program
- To date, the team has received California Department of Education (CDE) and Division of the State Architect (DSA) approval for Washington, Lincoln and Jefferson schools; approval for Reagan elementary school is anticipated to be received next month
- The team is preparing the required applications for Proposition 39 energy funding
- The team is also preparing the applications for Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) funding for both hardship and High Performance Incentive (HPI) submittals
- Cost estimates have been established for all Phase I projects, and the team has completed a constructability review
- Further value engineering efforts are underway at this time to better align the cost estimates with the budget

Phase I Measure “L” Program Funding

- The Phase I projects are anticipated to be funded from multiple sources including bond monies, State grants, and other District funds
- The optimal plan is to use the District funds and bond monies to leverage State grants of approximately \$9.0 million under the hardship program, and also to receive additional grants under the HPI and Proposition 39 programs
- While the District has very successfully availed of the hardship grant program in the past, there is currently insufficient dollars at the state level to fund all of the eligible projects
- A new Statewide bond to replenish funding for the hardship and other State grant programs has been proposed, and may be placed on the November 2014 ballot
- The availability of State hardship grants could have a significant impact on the timing of the implementation of the modernization program

2014 Statewide Bond Update

- Assembly Bill (AB) 2235 calling for an Education Facilities Bond was introduced by assembly members Buchanan and Hagman on Friday, February 21, 2014
- Passage of this bill by the State Legislature would place a Statewide Facilities Bond on the November 2014 ballot
- Specified amount of the Bond is still to be determined; estimates are in the \$8.0 Billion range
- Allocations are expected for New Construction, Charter Schools, Modernization, and Hardship programs
- The Bill is progressing through the subcommittees, and is expected to receive support in the legislature
- AB 2235 will need to be signed by the Governor before it can be placed on the ballot
- The availability of funds is contingent on the passage of a Statewide bond at the November election

Proposed Learning Lab Project

- To determine the benefit of the proposed classroom enhancements on the learning environment, it is proposed that a Learning Lab be constructed; this classroom will include:
 - Upgraded windows and new skylights that will enhance day lighting
 - New mechanical systems and finish materials will provide improved indoor air quality
 - Enhanced lighting will provide bright interiors at reduced operational costs
 - Wi-Fi and multiple video screens to increase the digital interface and enable the use of tablets
 - Light, sturdy, movable furniture will improve classroom flexibility and enhance learning
- The Learning Lab will provide valuable input to the school modernization program
- To fund the construction of the learning lab, and to pay for ongoing costs of preparing for Phase I of the program, District staff is recommending the sale of additional bonds under the Measure “L” authorization

The Look Ahead

- Submit projects to OPSC for Hardship and HPI funding
- Update website information
- Consider approval of bond issuance for Learning Lab and other costs
- Seek donations for Learning Lab project
- Monitor State Bond legislation