

Fwd: Draft single-use plastic bag reduction and reusable food ware and waste reduction ordinance

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Good morning, David,

Good job on the new draft of the ordinance!

I reviewed the ordinance and would recommend the following definitions changes -

Section 5.70.030 – A & 5.80.020 C - Compostable -

A. “Compostable” means that (1) all materials in a product, item, or packaging will break down, or otherwise become part of usable compost (e.g., soil-conditioning material, mulch) in a safe and timely manner, as approved in Chapter 5.7 (commencing with Section 42355) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code and accepted by County contracted collection program(s), (2) item is certified by either BPI Certified, or other third-party product certification recognized by the County, to ensure that the item is free of harmful chemicals, including but not limited to fluorinated chemicals that may have been used in foodware manufacture, and (3) item is made entirely of natural fiber except as otherwise specified in this chapter.

The definition of Compostable - chapter 5.7 (commencing with Section 42355) of part 3 of the Division 30 or the Public Resource Code – this is not the correct code.

The reference should be - 2022 California Code Public Resources Code – PRC DIVISION 30 - WASTE MANAGEMENT PART 3 - STATE PROGRAMS CHAPTER 5.7 – Products Section 42356

- I recommend the definition be - “Compostable” means that (1) all materials in a product, item, or packaging will break down or otherwise become part of usable compost (e.g., soil-conditioning material, mulch) in a safe and timely manner, as under AB1201, and accepted by County contracted collection program(s), (2) item is certified by either BPI Certified, or other third-party product certification recognized by the County, to ensure that the item is free of harmful chemicals, including but not limited to fluorinated chemicals that may have been used in food ware manufacture.

Section 5.70.030 – F - “Natural Fiber”

[If you decide to keep the definition of Natural Fiber – I recommend adding the word, “Entirely.”]
“Natural Fiber” means plant or animal-based, non-synthetic fiber that is compostable, including but not limited to products made entirely from uncoated paper, sugarcane, bamboo, wheat stems/stalk, hay, wood, etc.

Happy to schedule a time to talk about it and answer any questions.

Have a good day,

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From Measure T to Measure U



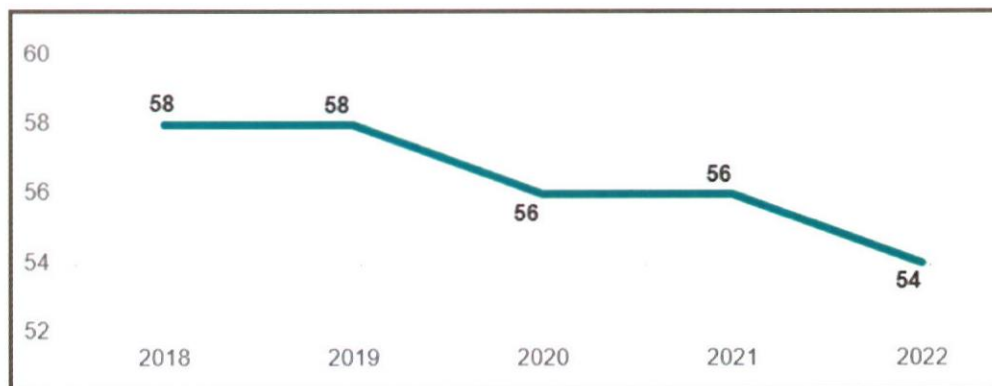
Measure U: At-A-Glance

- Measure U will replace Measure T, a ½ cent sales tax for local streets and roads
- Generational opportunity to break the last major bottlenecks on Highway 29
- Expands the bike and pedestrian provision to include Class IV bike lanes (current Measure only allows for funding of Class I projects)
- Provides flexibility to bond and bring funding forward to deliver more local streets and road improvements faster

See reverse side for more information and benefits regarding replacement measure

Persistent challenges with Measure T

- Pay-go funding is not enough to keep up with deferred maintenance that is causing pavement conditions to continue to decline
- Pay-go system does not provide the flexibility needed to build costlier projects faster
- Growth in sales tax revenue (4.6% annually) being outpaced by rising construction costs (up 10.7% annually). Over time, this will cut the purchasing power of Measure T
- Narrower focus of current measure does not provide jurisdictions with any flexibility to use local streets and roads money for other transportation priorities



Napa County Pavement Condition Index Scores - 2018 – 2022



Measure U: Details and Benefits



Bonding – Regional Capital Improvement Projects

Measure U will set aside up to \$56 million for regional capital improvement projects through the issuance of bonds for the opportunity to achieve long-held transportation priorities: breaking the last remaining bottlenecks on Highway 29 between Napa and American Canyon. This apportionment will position Napa County to be more competitive in securing state and federal grant funding opportunities to bring these projects to fruition.

Bonding for regional capital improvement projects can help fund:

Highway 29 Improvement Projects:

1. **Airport — SR 29/SR 12 intersection** – Intersection Improvements at Highway 29 and Jameson Canyon/Airport Road and Highway 12/Kelly Road
2. **Highway 29-American Canyon** – Operational and Multimodal Improvements on Highway 29 between Napa Junction and American Canyon Road
3. **Carneros — SR 29/SR 12** – Intersection Improvements at Highway 29/Carneros Highway
4. **Highway Operations and Emergency Evacuations** – To allow proactive management of highway facilities and emergency demands such as natural disasters. It includes adaptive messaging signs and battery storage for Vine Transit.

Regional projects provide benefit to the entire county because workers, residents, and visitors to and from all communities use them.

Bonding – Local Streets and Roads Funding

Currently, Measure T's pay-go system provides annual allocations to jurisdictions for local streets and road improvement and rehabilitation projects.

Under Measure U, jurisdictions will receive more funding over the life of the measure and have the option to issue bonds to build costlier road rehabilitation and improvement projects faster. At right is a chart summarizing changes in this funding:

** The chart at right summarizes differences between Measure T and the proposed Measure U (figures in \$1,000s)*

Jurisdiction	Measure T*	Measure U Pay-Go*
City of American Canyon	\$60,574	\$89,131
City of Calistoga	\$21,241	\$28,007
City of Napa	\$317,429	\$447,884
County of Napa	\$311,910	\$432,286
City of St. Helena	\$60,574	\$73,533
Town of Yountville	\$21,241	\$37,881

***Measure T amounts reflect what each jurisdiction is expected to receive between 2025 and 2043, when Measure T sunsets*

Flexibility to Meet Current and Future Needs



Bonding – Funding Road Repair and Improvement Projects Faster

Measure U will create the flexibility jurisdictions need to get costlier road repair projects funded faster, instead of having to save pay-go allocations over the course of many years to fund priority projects.



Funding Transportation Projects Not Under LS&R Guidelines

In response to jurisdictional concerns, the replacement measure will provide flexibility to allocate up to 5% of local streets and roads allocations for projects outside the scope of maintenance and rehabilitation. For example, this could include the Newell Drive extension in American Canyon, Silverado five-way intersection in the City of Napa, or bridge replacement in St. Helena.



Funding to Support Class IV Bike Lanes

While NVTA supports the continued creation of Class I bike lanes like the Napa Valley Vine Trail, in response to jurisdictional input, the replacement measure will also provide funding to create Class IV buffered bike lanes in places where Class I bike lanes are not feasible.



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