

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT AND BALLOT PROCEDURES
AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING LEVY OF 2018-19 ASSESSMENT FOR
COUNTY SERVICE AREA 41 AND THE ONGOING ASSESSMENT FOR COUNTY SERVICE
AREA 41**

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara will hold a public hearing to consider the levy of assessments within the County Service Area 41. (hereinafter "CSA 41") for road related Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance in fiscal Year 2018-2019

The public hearing will be held in the Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building, Board Hearing Room 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria, California
at the following date and time:

PUBLIC HEARING: June 19, 2018 AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00 A.M.

Reason for, Estimate of Cost of, and Apportionment of Assessment

County Service Area 41 was formed in 1984 by the Board of Supervisors. CSA 41 is administered by the County of Santa Barbara, with expenses for operating and maintaining planned road related repair within County Service Area 41 in the Fourth Supervisorial District. The CSA 41 Roads Committee, which is comprised of five property owners elected to represent the 51 property owners in CSA 41, asked the County to increase the benefit assessment in CSA 41 to finance road related maintenance, repairs and improvements. The proposed 2018-2019 assessment would finance a 10-Year Plan of necessary road related maintenance, repair and improvements for CSA 41 and on-going road related maintenance, repair and improvements for CSA 41.

Public Works staff prepared an Engineer's Report that shows the total proposed assessment chargeable to CSA 41 for fiscal year 2018-2019 is \$46,000. As further explained in the Engineer's Report, available at the Santa Barbara County Public Works Transportation Department, the amount for fiscal year 2018-2019 is based on the average total funds needed per year through fiscal year 2026-2027 for completion of the maintenance, repair and improvements in the 10-Year Plan. The annual total amount is then allocated among the 51 parcels within CSA41 based on each parcel's distance from the entrance and a weighting of the assessment toward the most heavily used segments of the road system in CSA 41 located closer to the entrance, as shown in the Engineer's Report. The 2018-2019 assessment amount for each parcel is also based on the average distance to the parcel along the road. The enclosed ballot shows the proposed 2018-2019 assessment for your property. The assessments would be payable in two installments (due in November and April of each year), as part of the combined tax bill payments to the County of Santa Barbara.

Protest against Proposed Assessment

Each record owner of property in CSA 41 may submit a ballot in support of or in opposition to the proposed assessments. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will tabulate the ballots submitted, and not withdrawn. The proposed assessment shall not be imposed if the ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, with ballots weighted by the dollar amount of the proposed 2018-2019 assessment to be imposed on the property for which each ballot was submitted.

How to Return your Ballot

Postmark will not be accepted in lieu of actual delivery by the time stated.

Prior to the Hearing date, place the completed assessment ballot in the return envelope and mail or deliver the assessment ballot using the return envelope to:

- Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu Street Room 407
Santa Barbara, California 93101.

On the date of the Hearing, you may also deliver in person until the close of the hearing to:

- Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building
Board Hearing Room
511 East Lakeside Parkway
Santa Maria, California

Signed ballots must be received on or before the Board of Supervisors Hearing date of June 19, 2018.

**Summary of Procedures for Completion, Return and
Tabulation of Assessment Ballots**

Included with this notice is an assessment ballot that includes a place where the property owner may indicate his or her support of or opposition to the proposed assessments. Each assessment ballot shall be signed by the record owner of the property identified therein and mailed or otherwise delivered in the envelope provided, to the address indicated on the assessment ballot. Complete instructions are on the back of the assessment ballot. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will tabulate the assessment ballots submitted, and not withdrawn, in support of or in opposition to the proposed assessment. The assessment shall not be imposed if the ballots submitted in opposition to the assessment exceed the ballots submitted in favor of the assessment, with ballots weighted according to the fiscal year 2018-2019 proportional financial obligation of the affected property.

Whom to Contact to Obtain Additional Information

To obtain additional information about the proposed assessment, email Gena Valentine Felix, gvfelix@cosbpw.net, Public Works Transportation Division, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California, 93101, or call Gena Valentine Felix at (805) 568-3064.

(This notice to be sent by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, in Mid June 2018)

**PROPOSED COUNTY SERVICE AREA 41 ASSESSMENT-COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING COMPLETION AND RETURN OF ASSESSMENT BALLOT**

To complete and submit the enclosed ballot (on the other side of these instructions), you must follow these steps:

1. Review the Certificate of Entitlement. Before completing the ballot, be sure that you meet the entitlement requirements pertaining to the property identified in the ballot. If you do not meet the entitlement requirements, please forward the assessment ballot to someone who does meet those requirements.
2. If you meet the entitlement requirements, please sign your name in the space provided and print or type your name in the space provided. **The assessment ballot will be void and will not be tabulated unless the Certificate of Entitlement is executed by the person completing the assessment ballot.**
3. To vote on the assessment ballot, fill in only one of the squares provided.
4. Fold and insert the assessment ballot into the enclosed return envelope, and seal the return envelope. Return this envelope by mail or in person to the address provided below prior to **9:00 a.m. on June 19, 2018**, or deliver the return envelope and the assessment ballot to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the public hearing to be held at approximately **9:00 a.m. on June 19, 2018** in the County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room.

POSTMARKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF ACTUAL DELIVERY BY THE TIME STATED.

PRIOR TO THE HEARING, you may vote and mail or deliver your official assessment ballot to:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

DAY OF THE HEARING, you may also deliver in person on the day of the hearing until the close of the hearing to:

Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building
Board Hearing Room
511 East Lakeside Parkway
Santa Maria, California, 93455

LOST, SPOILED, OR DAMAGED BALLOTS:

If you have lost, spoiled, or damaged your assessment ballot, please call Gena Valentine Felix at the telephone number set forth below for information on how you may obtain a replacement assessment ballot.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE INSTRUCTIONS OR THE ASSESSMENT BALLOT PROCEDURE, PLEASE CONTACT:

Gena Valentine Felix,
County Of Santa Barbara,
Public Works Transportation Division
123 E. Anapamu St, Santa Barbara
(805) 568-3064