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Agenda Item(s):

M2a2. Guidance and Rulemaking

M2a3. Forms and Processes

M2a4. Communications Plan: Education and Outreach

Comment:

Sorry to not get this question in with other comments but I just thought of it while listening. Attorney said time is short and may not get appt soon. If a document is notarized before Feb 15th., but they do not get it recorded until after Feb. 15th., is this still considered a transfer under the old rules?

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Comment:

It is a conflict of interest for the BOE to ask realtors and firefighters for input and help. Prop 19 could raise our taxes from less than \$10,000 to over \$100,000 and cause the lost of our farm/ranch.

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M2a4. Communications Plan: Education and Outreach

Comment:

Prop 19 seems a targeted attack on agriculture. The San Francisco bay area with its high land values came to us with its high values, and may cause the loss of land, some of which has been in the extended family since before 1900. While the property is valuable due to its proximity to the bay area, it does not generate any more income to pay taxes than a similar property elsewhere. Most of our family and friends are here. We are scared and heartbroken at thoughts of having to move from this land due to property taxes. Most of our property is erodible, steep, and not suitable for other than livestock grazing. It provides open space to the area, but our income is less than average. Livestock cannot support full market property taxes in this area. Livestock/ag does not require the property tax supported services that buildings housing people do. It is my hope that we can save our land if the 1 million exemption is for each parcel. It should allow for the primary residence exemption and the agriculture property exemption to be applied to the same property for a 2 million dollar exemption where it applies, as there would be separate exemptions if the primary residence and the agriculture property were on separate parcels. It seems that those who have put in employee housing should get some exemption for doing a good deed, such as solar property tax exemptions. This was a very underhanded proposition in not being able to view the proposition before the election. The link in the voter handbook to read the entire text had an error message every time I tried to read it before the election. We operate the ranch but the pro prop 19 argument had the obvious lie of saying rental income would cover property tax increases. That might work for building rentals but pasture land rental would NOT cover market rate property taxes in many areas.