## PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED APRIL 29, 2025

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RATING: Moody's: "Aa3" See "RATING" herein.

In the opinion of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, San Francisco, California, Bond Counsel, subject, however to certain qualifications described herein, under existing law, the interest on the Bonds (as defined herein) is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and such interest is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Interest on the Bonds may be subject to the corporate alternative minimum tax. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is exempt from California personal income taxes. See "TAX MATTERS."

\$55,000,000\*
MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Contra Costa County, California)
General Obligation Bonds
2018 Election, Series C

\$90,000,000\*
MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Contra Costa County, California)
2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds

**Dated: Date of Delivery** 

Due: August 1, as shown on inside front cover

Authority and Purpose. The above captioned General Obligation Bonds, 2018 Election, Series C (the "Series C Bonds") and the 2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds (the "Refunding Bonds, and together with the Series C Bonds, the "Bonds") are being issued by the Mt. Diablo Unified School District (the "District") pursuant to applicable provisions of the California Government Code and two separate resolutions of the Board of Education of the District adopted on April 23, 2025. The Series C Bonds were authorized at an election of the registered voters of the District held on November 6, 2018, which authorized the issuance of \$150,000,000 principal amount of general obligation bonds for the purpose of financing the renovation, construction and improvement of school facilities, and the payment of related costs of issuance. The Refunding Bonds are being issued for the purpose of refinancing on a current basis some or all outstanding maturities of the District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds 2010 Election, 2010 Series A, and to pay related costs of issuance. See "THE FINANCING AND REFINANCING PLAN" and "THE BONDS – Authority For Issuance."

**Security.** The Bonds are general obligations of the District, payable solely from *ad valorem* property taxes levied on taxable property within the District and collected by Contra Costa County (the "County"). The County Board of Supervisors is empowered and is obligated to annually levy *ad valorem* taxes for the payment of interest on, and principal of, the Bonds upon all property subject to taxation by the District, without limitation of rate or amount (except certain personal property which is taxable at limited rates). See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS."

**Book-Entry Only.** The Bonds will be issued in book-entry form only, and will be initially issued and registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Purchasers will not receive physical certificates representing their interests in the Bonds. See "THE BONDS" and "APPENDIX F - DTC AND THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

**Payments.** The Bonds are dated the date of delivery set forth below and are being issued as current interest bonds. The Bonds accrue interest at the rates set forth on the inside cover page hereof, payable semi-annually on each February 1 and August 1 until maturity, commencing August 1, 2025. Payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the designated paying agent, registrar and transfer agent (the "Paying Agent"), to DTC for subsequent disbursement to DTC Participants who will remit such payments to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See "THE BONDS - Description of the Bonds."

**Redemption.** The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as described herein. See "THE BONDS – Optional Redemption" and "-Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption."

## **MATURITY SCHEDULES**

(See inside cover)

**Cover Page.** This cover page contains certain information for general reference only. It is not a summary of all the provisions of the Bonds. Prospective investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to making an informed investment decision.

The Bonds will be offered when, as and if issued and accepted by the Underwriter, subject to the approval as to legality by Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, San Francisco, California, Bond Counsel to the District, and subject to certain other conditions. Jones Hall is also serving as Disclosure Counsel to the District, and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, San Francisco, California is serving as counsel to the Underwriter. It is anticipated that the Bonds, in book-entry form, will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC, on or about May 22, 2025\*.

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The date of this Official Statement is,	2025.
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## **MATURITY SCHEDULES\***

### MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Contra Costa County, California)

## General Obligation Bonds 2018 Election, Series C

<b>Maturity Date</b>	Principal			CUSIP†
(August 1)	Amount	Interest Rate	Yield	(621196)

## 2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds

Maturity Date	Principal			CUSIP <sup>†</sup>
(August 1)	Amount	Interest Rate	Yield	(621196)

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary; subject to change.

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## MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Contra Costa County, California)

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Gustavo Aguilera, Executive Director, Fiscal Services

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## **BOND AND DISCLOSURE COUNSEL**

Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation San Francisco, California

### BOND REGISTRAR, TRANSFER AGENT AND PAYING AGENT

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association San Francisco, California

### **VERIFICATION AGENT**

Causey Public Finance LLC Denver, Colorado

#### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

**Use of Official Statement**. This Official Statement is submitted in connection with the sale of the Bonds referred to herein and may not be reproduced or used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose. This Official Statement is not a contract between any bond owner and the District or the Underwriter.

**No Offering Except by This Official Statement.** No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the District or the Underwriter to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Official Statement and, if given or made, such other information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the District or the Underwriter.

**No Unlawful Offers or Solicitations**. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor may there be any sale of the Bonds by a person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

*Information in Official Statement*. The information set forth in this Official Statement has been furnished by the District and other sources which are believed to be reliable, but, as to such other sources, it is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness.

Estimates and Forecasts. When used in this Official Statement and in any continuing disclosure by the District in any press release and in any oral statement made with the approval of an authorized officer of the District or any other entity described or referenced herein, the words or phrases "will likely result," "are expected to", "will continue", "is anticipated", "estimate", "project," "forecast", "expect", "intend" and similar expressions identify "forward looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. Any forecast is subject to such uncertainties. Inevitably, some assumptions used to develop the forecasts will not be realized and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, there are likely to be differences between forecasts and actual results, and those differences may be material. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, give rise to any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District or any other entity described or referenced herein since the date hereof.

*Involvement of Underwriter*. The Underwriter has provided the following statement for inclusion in this Official Statement: The Underwriter has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as a part of, their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriter does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

**Stabilization of and Changes to Offering Prices**. The Underwriter may overallot or take other steps that stabilize or maintain the market prices of the Bonds at levels above those that might otherwise prevail in the open market. If commenced, the Underwriter may discontinue such market stabilization at any time. The Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain securities dealers, dealer banks and banks acting as agent at prices lower than the public offering prices stated on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, and those public offering prices may be changed from time to time by the Underwriter.

**Document Summaries**. All summaries of the Bond Resolution or other documents referred to in this Official Statement are made subject to the provisions of such documents and qualified in their entirety in reference to such documents, and do not purport to be complete statements of any or all of such provisions.

**No Securities Laws Registration**. The Bonds have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon exceptions therein for the issuance and sale of municipal securities. The Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the securities laws of any state.

**Effective Date**. This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information and expressions of opinion contained in this Official Statement are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale of the Bonds will, under any circumstances, give rise to any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District, the County, the other parties described in this Official Statement, or the condition of the property within the District since the date of this Official Statement.

**Website**. The District maintains a website and certain social media accounts. However, the information presented there is not a part of this Official Statement and should not be relied upon in making an investment decision with respect to the Bonds.

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

\$55,000,000\*
MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Contra Costa County, California)
General Obligation Bonds
2018 Election, Series C

\$90,000,000\*
MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Contra Costa County, California)
2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page, inside cover page and attached appendices, is to set forth certain information concerning the sale and delivery of the General Obligation Bonds, 2018 Election, Series C (the "Series C Bonds") and the 2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds (the "Refunding Bonds", and together with the Series C Bonds, the "Bonds") by the Mt. Diablo Unified School District (the "District") of Contra Costa County (the "County"), State of California (the "State").

## INTRODUCTION

This introduction is not a summary of this Official Statement. It is only a brief description of and guide to, and is qualified by, more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement and the documents summarized or described in this Official Statement. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement. The offering of Bonds to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement.

The District. The District was established on July 1, 1949, and is located approximately 30 miles east of San Francisco in the northwestern portion of the County. The District covers approximately 150 square miles and encompasses an estimated population of approximately 264,000 residents including all of the cities of Concord, Pleasant Hill, and Clayton, portions of the cities of Walnut Creek, Pittsburg and Martinez, and unincorporated communities of the County including Pacheco, Bay Point and Lafayette. The District provides transitional kindergarten through twelfth grade education services across 54 schools sites. Schools sites include 30 elementary schools, 9 middle schools, 5 high schools, 8 alternative schools, 1 adult education school, and 1 dependent charter school. The District's enrollment for fiscal year 2024-25 is 29,494 students, and average daily attendance is generally 93% of enrollment. The total assessed value in the District in fiscal year 2024-25 is over \$56.2 billion. For general and financial information regarding the District, see Appendix A attached hereto. See also Appendix C hereto for demographic and other statistical information regarding the City of Concord and the County.

**Purposes**. Series C Bonds. The net proceeds of the Series C Bonds will be used to finance school construction and improvements to the school facilities as approved by the voters at an election held in the District on November 6, 2018 (the "Bond Election"), and to pay related costs of issuance.

Refunding Bonds. The net proceeds of the Refunding Bonds will be used to refinance outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2014, Series A Bonds for interest cost savings, and to pay related costs of issuance.

See "THE FINANCING AND REFINANCING PLAN" herein.

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary; subject to change.

Authority for Issuance of the Bonds. Issuance of the Series C Bonds was approved by the requisite 55% of the voters of the District voting at the Bond Election and will be issued pursuant to certain provisions of the Government Code of the State, and pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on April 23, 2025 (the "Series C Bond Resolution"). The Refunding Bonds will be issued pursuant to certain provisions of the Government Code of the State for the purpose of refinancing bonds approved by District voters at an election held in the District on June 8, 2010, and pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on April 23, 2025 (the "Refunding Bond Resolution"). See "THE BONDS - Authority for Issuance" herein.

**Payment and Registration of the Bonds**. The Bonds mature in the years and in the amounts as set forth on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds will be issued in book-entry form only, and will be initially issued and registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for DTC. Purchasers of the Bonds ("Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical certificates representing their interest in the Bonds. See "THE BONDS" and "APPENDIX F - DTC AND THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

**Redemption.** The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as described herein. See "THE BONDS – Optional Redemption" and "– Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption."

**Security and Sources of Payment for the Bonds**. The Bonds are general obligation bonds of the District payable solely from *ad valorem* property taxes levied on taxable property located in the District and collected by the County. The County is empowered and is obligated to annually levy *ad valorem* taxes for the payment of interest on, and principal of, the Bonds upon all property subject to taxation by the District, without limitation of rate or amount (except with respect to certain personal property which is taxable at limited rates). The Bonds are the third and final series of bonds issued pursuant to the authority obtained by District voters at the Bond Election. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS."

**Legal Matters.** Issuance of the Bonds is subject to the approving opinion of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, San Francisco, California, as bond counsel ("**Bond Counsel**"), to be delivered in substantially the forms attached hereto as Appendix D. Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, San Francisco, California, will also serve as Disclosure Counsel to the District ("**Disclosure Counsel**"). Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, San Francisco, California, is serving as counsel to the Underwriter ("**Underwriter's Counsel**"). Payment of the fees of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel and Underwriter's Counsel is contingent upon issuance of the Bonds. See "APPENDIX D – Proposed Forms of Opinions of Bond Counsel."

**Tax Matters.** In the opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and such interest is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Interest on the Bonds may be subject to the corporate alternative minimum tax. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, such interest is exempt from California personal income taxes. See "TAX MATTERS" and APPENDIX D hereto for the form of Bond Counsel's opinion to be delivered concurrently with the Bonds.

**Offering and Delivery.** The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by the Underwriter, subject to approval as to the legality by Bond Counsel. It is anticipated that the Bonds will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC on or about the date identified on the cover page hereof.

**Continuing Disclosure.** The District has covenanted and agreed that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed in connection with the Bonds. The form of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate is included in APPENDIX E hereto. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" herein.

**Cyber Risks.** The District, like other school districts and governmental and business entities, faces risks relating to the use and application of computer software and hardware for educational, operational and management purposes. It collects, processes, and distributes significant amounts of private, protected and personal information regarding students, staff, parents, visitors, vendors and contractors. The District, and other entities it relies on, may face cybersecurity threats, attacks or incidents from time to time. No assurance can be given that cyber threats or attacks against the District or third-party entities or service providers including the County will not directly or indirectly impact the District and its operations. See "CYBER RISKS."

**Other Information.** This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained in this Official Statement is subject to change. Copies of documents referred to in this Official Statement and information concerning the Bonds are available from the District from the Superintendent's Office at Mt. Diablo Unified School District, 1936 Carlotta Drive, Concord, California, 94519, Telephone: (925) 682-8000. The District may impose a charge for copying, mailing and handling.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract with the purchasers of the Bonds. Statements contained in this Official Statement which involve estimates, forecasts or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described herein, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as representations of fact. The summaries and references to documents, statutes and constitutional provisions referred to herein do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive, and are qualified in their entireties by reference to each of such documents, statutes and constitutional provisions.

Certain information set forth herein has been obtained from official sources other than the District which are believed to be reliable but it is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness, and is not to be construed as a representation by the District. The information and expressions of opinions herein are subject to change without notice and neither delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District since the date hereof. This Official Statement is submitted in connection with the sale of the Bonds referred to herein and may not be reproduced or used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose.

**END OF INTRODUCTION** 

## THE FINANCING AND REFINANCING PLAN

<u>The Series C Bonds</u>. The net proceeds of the Series C Bonds will be used to finance projects approved by the voters at the Bond Election, at which voters authorized the issuance of up to \$150 million in general obligation bonds for facilities projects (the **"2018 Authorization"**). The abbreviated form of the ballot measure, known as **"Measure J"** (limited to 75 words or less) presented to voters is as follows:

"To improve and upgrade science, engineering, technology and vocational education classrooms; replace outdated plumbing /electrical wiring, upgrade alarm /emergency communication systems; improve student safety /campus security; and qualify for State matching funds, shall Mt. Diablo Unified School District issue \$150 million of bonds with an estimated levy of \$15 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, averaging \$15 million per year while bonds are outstanding, with legal rates, annual audits, independent oversight and local control?"

As part of the ballot materials presented to District voters at the Bond Election, the voters authorized a specific list of projects (the "2018 Project List") which are eligible to be funded with proceeds of bonds sold pursuant to the 2018 Authorization, including the Series C Bonds described herein. The District makes no representation as to the specific application of the proceeds of the Series C Bonds, the completion of any projects listed on the 2018 Project List, or whether bonds authorized by the 2018 Authorization will provide sufficient funds to complete any particular project listed in the 2018 Project List. The District has previously issued two series of bonds pursuant to the authority of the 2018 Authorization, with Series A issued on June 12, 2019 in the principal amount of \$20,000,000 (which matured on August 1, 2022) and Series B issued on April 6, 2022 in the principal amount of \$75,000,000, leaving \$55,000,000 of authorized but unissued bonds as of this date, prior to the issuance of the Series C Bonds. The Series C Bonds will be the third and final series of general obligation bonds issued pursuant to the 2018 Authorization.

<u>The Refunding Bonds</u>. As described herein, the net proceeds of the Refunding Bonds will be used to refund certain maturities of the District's outstanding general obligation bonds on a current basis, being certain maturities of the following bonds:

 Mt. Diablo Unified School District (Contra Costa County, California) General Obligation Bonds, 2010 Election, 2010 Series A issued on September 30, 2010 (the "Prior Bonds").

The following tables identify the maturities of the Prior Bonds expected to be refunded with the proceeds of the Bonds (the "Refunded Bonds").

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Identification of Refunded Bonds\*

Maturity Date (August 1)	Principal Amount**	Interest Rate***	CUSIP†	Redemption Date	Redemption Price
2030-T	\$47,790,000	5.500%	621196 XD1	08/01/2025	100.00%
2035-T	40,425,000	5.750	621196 XE9	08/01/2025	100.00
TOTAL	\$88.215.000				

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary; subject to change.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Identification of Non-Refunded Bonds\*

Maturity Date (August 1)	Principal Amount**	Interest Rate***	CUSIP†
2025	\$3,395,000	5.000%	621196 XC3
TOTAL	\$3,395,000		

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary; subject to change.

The District will deliver the net proceeds of the Bonds to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as escrow bank (the "Escrow Agent"), for deposit in an escrow fund (the "Escrow Fund") established under an Escrow Agreement (the "Escrow Agreement"), between the District and the Escrow Agent. The Escrow Agent will hold such funds in cash and/or invest such funds in certain United States Treasury notes, bonds, bills or certificates of indebtedness, or obligations issued by any agency or department of the United States which are secured, directly or indirectly, by the full faith and credit of the United States ("Escrow Fund Securities") and will apply such funds, together with interest earnings on the investment of such funds in Escrow Fund Securities, to pay the principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds, including the redemption price of the Refunded Bonds, as set forth above, together with accrued interest to the redemption date identified above.

<sup>†</sup> CUSIP Copyright American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by FactSet Research Systems Inc. Neither the District nor the Underwriter is responsible for the accuracy of such data.

T: Term Bonds

<sup>\*\*</sup>Represents principal amount upon conversion on August 1, 2022.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Interest rate after conversion.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Represents principal amount upon conversion on August 1, 2022.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Interest rate after conversion.

Sufficiency of the deposits in the Escrow Fund for the foregoing purposes will be verified by Causey Public Finance, LLC, Denver, Colorado (the "Verification Agent"). See "VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL ACCURACY" herein. As a result of the deposit of funds with the Escrow Agent on the date of issuance of the Bonds, the Refunded Bonds will be legally defeased and will be payable solely from amounts held for that purpose under the Escrow Agreement, and will cease to be payable from or secured by *ad valorem* property taxes levied in the District.

The Escrow Fund Securities and cash held by the Escrow Agent in the Escrow Fund are pledged solely to the payment of the Refunded Bonds, and will not be available for the payment of debt service with respect to the Bonds.

## **SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS**

The estimated sources and uses of funds with respect to the Bonds are as follows:

#### Sources of Funds

**Series C Bonds** 

Refunding Bonds

Principal Amount of Bonds Net Original Issue Premium

**Total Sources** 

#### **Uses of Funds**

Deposit to Building Fund Deposit to Debt Service Fund Deposit to Escrow Fund Costs of Issuance<sup>(1)</sup>

**Total Uses** 

<sup>(1)</sup> All estimated costs of issuing the Bonds including, but not limited to, fees of Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, the Paying Agent, Underwriter's discount, printing costs, verification agent and the rating agency.

#### THE BONDS

## **Authority for Issuance**

The Series C Bonds will be issued under certain provisions of the Government Code of the State, commencing with Section 53506 thereof (the "Series C Bond Law"), and the Series C Bond Resolution. The Refunding Bonds will be issued the provisions of Articles 9 and 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, commencing with Section 53550 of said Code (the "Refunding Bond Law"), and the Refunding Bond Resolution.

### **Description of the Bonds**

The Bonds mature in the years and in the amounts as set forth on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds will be issued in book-entry form only, and will be initially issued and registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for DTC. Beneficial Owners will not receive physical certificates representing their interest in the Bonds. See "Book-Entry Only System" below and "APPENDIX F - DTC and the Book-Entry Only System."

The Bonds shall be issued in the denominations of \$5,000 principal amount each or any integral multiple thereof. Interest on the Bonds is payable semiannually on each February 1 and August 1, commencing August 1, 2025 (each, an "Interest Payment Date"). Each Bond will bear interest from the Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of registration and authentication thereof unless (i) it is authenticated as of an Interest Payment Date, in which event it will bear interest from such date, or (ii) it is authenticated prior to an Interest Payment Date and after the close of business on the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of the month preceding the Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date"), in which event it will bear interest from such Interest Payment Date, or (iii) it is authenticated prior to July 15, 2025, in which event it will bear interest from the date of delivery of the Bonds identified on the cover page hereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if interest on any Bond is in default at the time of authentication thereof, such Bond will bear interest from the Interest Payment Date to which interest has previously been paid or made available for payment thereon. Payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Paying Agent to DTC for subsequent disbursement to DTC Participants who will remit such payments to the beneficial owners of the Bonds.

#### **Book-Entry Only System**

The Bonds will be issued in book-entry form only and will be initially issued and registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Beneficial Owners will not receive physical certificates representing their interest in the Bonds. Payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Los Angeles, California (the "Paying Agent"), to DTC for subsequent disbursement to DTC Participants which will remit such payments to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

As long as DTC's book-entry method is used for the Bonds, the Paying Agent will send any notice of prepayment or other notices to owners only to DTC. Any failure of DTC to advise any DTC Participant, or of any DTC Participant to notify any Beneficial Owner, of any such notice and its content or effect will not affect the validity or sufficiency of the proceedings relating to the prepayment of the Bonds called for prepayment or of any other action premised on such notice. See "APPENDIX F - DTC AND THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

The Paying Agent, the District, and the Underwriter of the Bonds have no responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to beneficial ownership, of interests in the Bonds.

## Optional Redemption\*

**General.** The Bonds maturing on or before August 1, 20\_\_ are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after August 1, 20\_\_ are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of and as directed by the District, in whole or in part among maturities on such basis as shall be designated by the District and by lot within a maturity, from any available source of funds, on August 1, 20\_\_, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, without premium, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date.

**Selection of Bonds for Purpose of Redemption.** For the purpose of selection for optional redemption, Bonds will be deemed to consist of \$5,000 portions, and any such portion may be separately redeemed. Whenever less than all of the outstanding Bonds of any one maturity are designated for redemption, the Paying Agent shall select the outstanding Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed by lot in any manner deemed fair by the Paying Agent. For purposes of such selection, each Bond will be deemed to consist of individual bonds of \$5,000 principal amounts. The Bonds may all be separately redeemed.

## **Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption\***

The Series C Bonds maturing on August 1, 20\_\_ (the "**Term Bonds**"), are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on August 1 of each year in accordance with the schedule set forth below. The Term Bonds so called for mandatory sinking fund redemption shall be redeemed in the sinking fund payments amounts and on the dates set forth below, without premium.

\$ Term Bonds I	Maturing August 1, 20
Redemption Date	Sinking Fund
(August 1)	Redemption

If any such Term Bonds are redeemed pursuant to optional redemption, the total amount of all future sinking fund payments with respect to such Term Bonds shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of such Term Bonds so redeemed, to be allocated among such payments on a *pro rata* basis in integral multiples of \$5,000 principal amount (or on such other basis as the District may determine) as set forth in written notice given by the District to the Paying Agent.

## **Notice of Redemption**

The Paying Agent will cause notice of any redemption to be mailed, first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days but not more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the

Preliminary; subject to change.

respective owners of any Bonds designated for redemption, at their addresses appearing on the registration books. Such notice may be a conditional notice of redemption and subject to rescission as described below. Such mailing is not a condition precedent to such redemption and the failure to mail or to receive any such notice will not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of such Bonds. In addition, the Paying Agent will give notice of redemption by telecopy or certified, registered or overnight mail to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board and each of the Securities Depositories (as such term is defined in the Bond Resolution) at least two days prior to such mailing to the Bond Owners.

Such notice shall state the redemption date and the redemption price and, if less than all of the then-outstanding Bonds are to be called for redemption, shall designate the serial numbers of the Bonds to be redeemed by giving the individual number of each Bond or by stating that all Bonds between two stated numbers, both inclusive, or by stating that all of the Bonds of one or more maturities have been called for redemption, and shall require that such Bonds be then surrendered at the designated office of the Paying Agent for redemption at the said redemption price, giving notice also that further interest on such Bonds will not accrue from and after the redemption date. Neither failure to receive any such notice nor any defect therein will affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of such Bonds or the cessation of the accrual of interest thereon.

## **Partial Redemption of Bonds**

Upon the surrender of any Bond redeemed in part only, the Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver to the Owner thereof a new Bond or Bonds of like tenor and maturity and of authorized denominations equal in transfer amounts to the unredeemed portion of the Bond surrendered. Such partial redemption shall be valid upon payment of the amount required to be paid to such Owner, and the County and the District shall be released and discharged thereupon from all liability to the extent of such payment.

#### Right to Rescind Notice of Redemption

The District has the right to rescind any notice of the optional redemption of Bonds by written notice to the Paying Agent on or prior to the date fixed for redemption. Any notice of redemption shall be cancelled and annulled if for any reason funds will not be or are not available on the date fixed for redemption for the payment in full of the Bonds then called for redemption. The District and the Paying Agent have no liability to the Bond Owners or any other party related to or arising from such rescission of redemption. The Paying Agent shall mail notice of such rescission of redemption in the same manner as the original notice of redemption was sent under the Bond Resolution.

## Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds

If the book entry system is discontinued, the District shall cause the Paying Agent to maintain and keep at its principal corporate trust office all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of the Bonds.

If the book entry system is discontinued, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute Owner of that Bond. Payment of the principal of and interest on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the District, the County nor the Paying Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided the Bond Resolution.

Bonds may be exchanged at the principal corporate trust office of the Paying Agent in Los Angeles, California, for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds of authorized denominations and of the same maturity. Any Bond may, in accordance with its terms, be transferred, upon the books required to be kept pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Resolution, by the person in whose name it is registered, in person or by their duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of such Bond for cancellation at the office of the Paying Agent, accompanied by delivery of a written instrument of transfer in a form approved by the Paying Agent, duly executed but only if (i) the District determines to no longer maintain the book entry only status of the Bonds, (ii) DTC determines to discontinue providing such services and no successor securities depository is named or (iii) DTC requests the District to deliver Bond certificates to particular DTC Participants.

No exchanges of Bonds shall be required to be made (a) fifteen days prior to an Interest Payment Date or the date established by the Paying Agent for selection of Bonds for redemption until the close of business on the Interest Payment Date or day on which the applicable notice of redemption is given or (b) with respect to a Bond after such Bond has been selected or called for redemption in whole or in part.

#### Defeasance

The Bonds may be paid by the District, in whole or in part, in any one or more of the following ways:

- (a) by paying or causing to be paid the principal or redemption price of and interest on such Bonds, as and when the same become due and payable;
- (b) by irrevocably depositing, in trust, at or before maturity, money or securities in the necessary amount (as provided in the Bond Resolution) to pay or redeem such Bonds; or
- (c) by delivering such Bonds to the Paying Agent for cancellation by it.

Whenever in the Bond Resolution it is provided or permitted that there be deposited with or held in trust by the Paying Agent money or securities in the necessary amount to pay or redeem any Bonds, the money or securities so to be deposited or held may be held by the Paying Agent or by any other fiduciary. Such money or securities may include money or securities held by the Paying Agent in the funds and accounts established under the Bond Resolution and will be:

- (i) lawful money of the United States of America in an amount equal to the principal amount of such Bonds and all unpaid interest thereon to maturity, except that, in the case of Bonds which are to be redeemed prior to maturity and in respect of which notice of such redemption is given as provided in the Bond Resolution or provision satisfactory to the Paying Agent is made for the giving of such notice, the amount to be deposited or held will be the principal amount or redemption price of such Bonds and all unpaid interest thereon to the redemption date; or
- (ii) Federal Securities (not callable by the issuer thereof prior to maturity) the principal of and interest on which when due, in the opinion of a certified public accountant delivered to the County and the District, will provide money sufficient to pay the principal or redemption price of and all unpaid interest to maturity, or to the redemption date, as the case may be, on the Bonds to be

paid or redeemed, as such principal or redemption price and interest become due, provided that, in the case of Bonds which are to be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof, notice of such redemption is given as provided in the Bond Resolution or provision satisfactory to the Paying Agent is made for the giving of such notice.

Upon the deposit, in trust, at or before maturity, of money or securities in the necessary amount (as described above) to pay or redeem any outstanding Bond (whether upon or prior to its maturity or the redemption date of such Bond), then all liability of the County and the District in respect of such Bond will cease and be completely discharged, except only that thereafter the owner thereof will be entitled only to payment of the principal of and interest on such Bond by the District, and the District will remain liable for such payment, but only out of such money or securities deposited with the Paying Agent for such payment.

"Federal Securities" means: (a) any direct general non-callable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations issued or held in book entry form on the books of the Department of the Treasury of the United States of America; (b) any obligations the timely payment of principal of and interest on which are directly or indirectly quaranteed by the United States of America or which are secured by obligations described in the preceding clause (a); (c) the interest component of Resolution Funding Corporation strips which have been stripped by request to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in book-entry form; (d) pre-refunded municipal bonds rated in the highest rating category by any Rating Agency; and (e) bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following federal agencies: (i) direct obligations or fully guaranteed certificates of beneficial ownership of the U.S. Export-Import Bank; (ii) certificates of beneficial ownership of the Farmers Home Administration; (iii) participation certificates of the General Services Administration; (iv) Federal Financing Bank bonds and debentures; (v) guaranteed Title XI financings of the U.S. Maritime Administration; (vi) project notes, local authority bonds, new communities debentures and U.S. public housing notes and bonds of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and (vii) obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB).

#### APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS

## **Building Fund**

Pursuant to the Series C Bond Resolution, the net proceeds from the sale of the Series C Bonds (net of any premium received) will be paid and credited to the fund established and held by the Contra Costa County Treasurer-Tax Collector (the "County Treasurer") and designated as the "Mt. Diablo Unified School District, 2018 Election, Series C Building Fund" (the "Building Fund"). Amounts credited to the Building Fund will be expended by the District solely for the financing of projects for which the Series C Bond proceeds are authorized to be expended under the 2018 Authorization (which includes related costs of issuance). All interest and other gain arising from the investment of proceeds of the Series C Bonds will be retained in the Building Fund and used for the purposes thereof. Pursuant to the Series C Bond Resolution and applicable provisions of the California Education Code, a portion of the proceeds of the Series C Bonds may be deposited with a fiscal agent for the purpose of paying costs of issuance. All money remaining in the Building Fund upon completion of the projects (if any) will be transferred to the Debt Service Fund (as defined below) for the Series C Bonds. See also "APPENDIX G - CONTRA COSTA COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT REPORT" herein.

#### **Debt Service Funds**

Pursuant to the Series C Bond Resolution, premium, if any, received by the County on behalf of the District from the sale of the Series C Bonds, will be deposited and kept separate and apart in the fund established and held by the County and designated as the "Mt. Diablo Unified School District 2018 Election, Series C General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund" (the "Series C Bond Debt Service Fund"), which is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series C Bonds when and as the same become due.

Pursuant to the Refunding Bond Resolution, the District has directed the County to establish and hold a fund designated as the "Mt. Diablo Unified School District 2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund" (the "**Refunding Bond Debt Service Fund**"), which is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds when and as the same become due.

All taxes levied by the County for the payment of the principal of and interest on the applicable series of Bonds will be deposited in the related Debt Service Fund by the County promptly upon apportionment of said levy.

Any moneys remaining in the Debt Service Funds after the related Bonds and the interest thereon have been paid, shall be transferred to any other interest and sinking fund or account for outstanding general obligation bond indebtedness of the District, including refunding bonds, and in the event there is no such debt outstanding, shall be transferred to the District's general fund upon the order of the County Auditor-Controller (the "County Auditor"), as provided in Section 15234 of the California Education Code.

#### **Escrow Fund**

As described herein, the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds will be deposited in the Escrow Fund, and applied to pay costs of issuance. See "THE FINANCING AND REFINANCING PLAN" and "SOURCES AND USES."

#### **Investment of Proceeds of Bonds**

All moneys held in any of the funds or accounts established with the County under the Bond Resolution will be invested in Authorized Investments (as defined in the Bond Resolution) in accordance with the investment policies of the County, as such policies exist at the time of investment. Obligations purchased as an investment of moneys in any fund or account will be deemed to be part of such fund or account. All interest or gain derived from the investment of amounts in any of the funds or accounts established under the applicable Bond Resolution will be deposited in the fund or account from which such investment was made, and will be expended for the purposes thereof.

In accordance with Government Code Section 53600 *et seq.*, the County Treasurer manages funds deposited with it by the District. The County is required to invest such funds in accordance with California Government Code Sections 53601 *et seq.* In addition, counties are required to establish their own investment policies which may impose limitations beyond those required by the Government Code. See "APPENDIX G - CONTRA COSTA COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT REPORT."

### **DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULES**

**Series C Bonds Debt Service.** The following table shows the annual debt service schedule with respect to the Series C Bonds, assuming no optional redemptions.

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Series C Bonds Debt Service Schedule

Bond Year			Takal
Ending August 1	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service
2025			
2026			
2027			
2028			
2029			
2030			
2031			
2032			
2033			
2034			
2035			
2036			
2037			
2038			
2039			
2040			
2041			
2042			_
Total			

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**Refunding Bonds Debt Service.** The following table shows the annual debt service schedule with respect to the Refunding Bonds, assuming no optional redemptions.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Refunding Bonds Debt Service Schedule

Bond Year Ending August 1	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service
2025			
2026			
2027			
2028			
2029			
2030			
2031			
2032			
2033			
2034			
2035			
Total			

General Obligation Bond Combined Debt Service. The District has other series of general obligation bonds and refunding bonds outstanding. The following table shows the combined debt service schedule with respect to the District's outstanding general obligation bonds and the Bonds, assuming no optional redemptions. See "APPENDIX A - GENERAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT - DISTRICT FINANCIAL INFORMATION - Existing Debt Obligations" for additional information.

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Combined Debt Service Schedule

Period Ending (Aug. 1)	Outstanding GO Bonds Annual Debt Service <sup>(1)</sup>	The Bonds	Aggregate Annual Debt Service
2025	\$44,007,501.00		
2026	43,824,541.00		
2027	44,988,355.00		
2028	45,958,000.00		
2029	47,077,525.00		
2030	48,586,275.00		
2031	50,128,079.00		
2032	22,929,238.00		
2033	23,450,850.00		
2034	25,357,650.00		
2035	27,411,638.00		
2036	20,996,600.00		
2037	14,035,633.00		
2038	5,839,600.00		
2039	6,044,600.00		
2040	6,254,000.00		
2041	6,472,000.00		
2042	6,699,000.00		
2043			
2044			
2045			
2046			
2047			
2048			
2049			
TOTAL	\$490,061,085.00		

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes debt service on the Refunded Bonds for purposes of the Preliminary Official Statement.

## **SECURITY FOR THE BONDS**

## **Ad Valorem Property Taxes**

**Bonds Payable from Ad Valorem Property Taxes.** The Bonds are general obligations of the District, payable solely from *ad valorem* property taxes levied on taxable property within the District and collected by the County. The County is empowered and is obligated to annually levy *ad valorem* taxes for the payment of the Bonds and the interest thereon upon all property within the District subject to taxation by the District, without limitation of rate or amount (except certain personal property which is taxable at limited rates). In no event is the District obligated to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds out of any funds or properties of the District other than *ad valorem* taxes levied upon all taxable property in the District; provided, however, nothing in the Bond Resolution prevents the District from making advances of its own moneys howsoever derived to any of the uses or purposes permitted by law.

Other Debt Payable from Ad Valorem Property Taxes. In addition to the Bonds and the District's other outstanding general obligation bonds, there is other debt issued by entities within the jurisdiction of the District, which is payable from ad valorem taxes levied on parcels in the District. See "PROPERTY TAXATION – Tax Rates" and "- Direct and Overlapping Debt" below.

Levy, Collection and Pledge of Taxes. The County will levy and collect such ad valorem property taxes in such amounts and at such times as is necessary to ensure the timely payment of debt service on the Bonds. Such taxes, when collected, will be deposited into the Debt Service Fund for the Bonds, which is maintained by the County and which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

District property taxes are assessed and collected by the County in the same manner and at the same time, and in the same installments as other *ad valorem* taxes on real property, and will have the same priority, become delinquent at the same times and in the same proportionate amounts, and bear the same proportionate penalties and interest after delinquency, as do the other *ad valorem* taxes on real property.

Statutory Lien on Ad Valorem Tax Revenues. Pursuant to Senate Bill 222 effective January 1, 2016, voter-approved general obligation bonds which are secured by ad valorem tax collections, including the Bonds, are secured by a statutory lien on all revenues received pursuant to the levy and collection of the property tax imposed to service those bonds. Said lien attaches automatically and is valid and binding from the time the bonds are executed and delivered. The lien is enforceable against the District, its successors, transferees, and creditors, and all others asserting rights therein, irrespective of whether those parties have notice of the lien and without the need for any further act.

District property taxes are assessed and collected by the County in the same manner and at the same time, and in the same installments as other *ad valorem* taxes on real property, and will have the same priority, become delinquent at the same times and in the same proportionate amounts, and bear the same proportionate penalties and interest after delinquency, as do the other *ad valorem* taxes on real property.

**Annual Tax Rates.** The amount of the annual *ad valorem* tax levied by the County to repay the Bonds will be determined by the relationship between the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District and the amount of debt service due on the Bonds. Fluctuations in the annual debt service on the Bonds and the assessed value of taxable property in the District may cause the annual tax rate to fluctuate.

Economic and other factors beyond the District's control, such as economic recession, deflation of property values, a relocation out of the District or financial difficulty or bankruptcy by one or more major property taxpayers, or the complete or partial destruction of taxable property caused by, among other eventualities, drought, earthquake, flood, fire or other natural disaster, could cause a reduction in the assessed value within the District and necessitate a corresponding increase in the annual tax rate. See "PROPERTY TAXATION – Assessed Valuation – Factors Relating to Increases/Decreases in Assessed Value."

#### **Debt Service Funds**

As described herein under the heading "APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS - Debt Service Fund," the County Treasurer will establish separate Debt Service Funds for the Bonds. All taxes levied by the County for the payment of the principal of and interest on the applicable series of Bonds will be deposited in the related Debt Service Fund by the County promptly upon the receipt. The Debt Service Funds are pledged in the Bond Resolutions for the payment of the principal of and interest on the applicable series of Bonds when and as the same become due. The County will transfer amounts in the Debt Service Funds to the Paying Agent to the extent necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the related series of Bonds as the same becomes due and payable.

## **Not a County Obligation**

No part of any fund or account of the County is pledged or obligated to the payment of the Bonds. The Bonds are payable solely from the proceeds of an *ad valorem* tax levied and collected by the County, for the payment by the District of principal of and interest on the Bonds. Although the County is obligated to collect the *ad valorem* tax for the payment of the Bonds and deliver to the Paying Agent the debt service due on the Bonds, the Bonds are not a debt (or a pledge of the full faith and credit) of the County.

## **PROPERTY TAXATION**

## **Property Tax Collection Procedures**

Generally. In California, property which is subject to *ad valorem* taxes is classified as "secured" or "unsecured." The "secured roll" is that part of the assessment roll containing state assessed public utilities' property and real property, the taxes on which create a lien on such property sufficient, in the opinion of the county assessor, to secure payment of the taxes. A tax levied on unsecured property does not become a lien against such unsecured property, but may become a lien on certain other property owned by the taxpayer. Every tax which becomes a lien on secured property has priority over all other liens arising pursuant to State law on such secured property, regardless of the time of the creation of the other liens. Secured and unsecured property are entered separately on the assessment roll maintained by the county assessor. The method of collecting delinquent taxes is substantially different for the two classifications of property.

Property taxes on the secured roll are due in two installments, on November 1 and February 1 of each fiscal year. If unpaid, such taxes become delinquent after December 10 and April 10, respectively, and a 10% penalty attaches to any delinquent payment. In addition, property on the secured roll with respect to which taxes are delinquent is declared tax defaulted on or about June 30 of the fiscal year. Such property may thereafter be redeemed by payment of the delinquent taxes and a delinquency penalty, plus a redemption penalty of 1-1/2% per month to the time of redemption. If taxes are unpaid for a period of five years or more, the property is subject to sale by the County.

Property taxes are levied for each fiscal year on taxable real and personal property situated in the taxing jurisdiction as of the preceding January 1. A bill enacted in 1983, SB813 (Statutes of 1983, Chapter 498), however, provided for the supplemental assessment and taxation of property as of the occurrence of a change of ownership or completion of new construction. Thus, this legislation eliminated delays in the realization of increased property taxes from new assessments. As amended, SB813 provided increased revenue to taxing jurisdictions to the extent that supplemental assessments of new construction or changes of ownership occur subsequent to the January 1 lien date and result in increased assessed value.

Property taxes on the unsecured roll are due on the January 1 lien date and become delinquent, if unpaid on the following August 31. A 10% penalty is also attached to delinquent taxes in respect of property on the unsecured roll, and further, an additional penalty of 1-1/2% per month accrues with respect to such taxes beginning the first day of the third month following the delinquency date. The taxing authority has four ways of collecting unsecured personal property taxes: (1) a civil action against the taxpayer; (2) filing a certificate in the office of the county clerk specifying certain facts in order to obtain a judgment lien on certain property of the taxpayer; (3) filing a certificate of delinquency for record in the county recorder's office, in order to obtain a lien on certain property of the taxpayer; and (4) seizure and sale of personal property, improvements or possessory interests belonging or assessed to the assessee. The exclusive means of enforcing the payment of delinquent taxes in respect of property on the secured roll is the sale of the property securing the taxes for the amount of taxes which are delinquent.

<u>Disclaimer Regarding Property Tax Collection Procedures</u>. The property tax collection procedures described above are subject to amendment based on legislation or executive order which may be enacted by the State legislature or declared by the Governor from time to time. The District cannot predict whether future amendments or orders will occur and what impact, if any, said

future amendments or orders could have on the procedures relating to the levy and collection of property taxes, and related interest and penalties.

## **Taxation of State-Assessed Utility Property**

The State Constitution provides that most classes of property owned or used by regulated utilities be assessed by the State Board of Equalization ("SBE") and taxed locally. Property valued by the SBE as an operating unit in a primary function of the utility taxpayer is known as "unitary property", a concept designed to permit assessment of the utility as a going concern rather than assessment of each individual element of real and personal property owned by the utility taxpayer. State-assessed unitary and "operating nonunitary" property (which excludes nonunitary property of regulated railways) is allocated to the counties based on the situs of the various components of the unitary property. Except for unitary property of regulated railways and certain other excepted property, all unitary and operating nonunitary property is taxed at special county-wide rates and tax proceeds are distributed to taxing jurisdictions according to statutory formulae generally based on the distribution of taxes in the prior year.

#### **Assessed Valuation**

Assessed Valuation History. The table below shows a recent history of the District's assessed valuation.

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Assessed Valuations of All Taxable Property Fiscal Year 2010-11 through Fiscal Year 2024-25

Fiscal Year	Local Secured	Utility	Unsecured	Total	% Change
2010-11	\$28,924,776,672	\$7,279,811	\$974,038,398	\$29,906,094,881	%
2011-12	28,609,334,442	6,768,296	934,855,683	29,550,958,421	(1.19)
2012-13	27,968,639,633	6,768,296	912,822,483	28,888,230,412	(2.24)
2013-14	29,445,989,430	5,332,256	885,862,726	30,337,184,412	5.02
2014-15	32,106,950,096	5,221,838	922,809,547	33,034,981,481	8.89
2015-16	34,400,962,547	5,221,838	969,180,826	35,375,365,211	7.08
2016-17	36,236,051,218	1,407,638	994,773,478	37,232,232,334	5.25
2017-18	38,234,525,030	1,397,638	1,108,253,137	39,344,175,805	5.67
2018-19	40,625,429,907	7,000,667	1,266,540,483	41,898,971,057	6.49
2019-20	42,860,000,266	6,885,667	1,318,638,471	44,185,524,404	5.46
2020-21	44,840,172,454	6,875,667	1,385,131,127	46,232,179,248	4.63
2021-22	46,212,156,318	6,815,667	1,523,102,664	47,742,074,649	3.27
2022-23	49,693,940,588	10,813,958	1,607,405,189	51,312,159,735	7.48
2023-24	52,124,568,601	10,043,958	2,859,878,371	54,994,490,930	7.18
2024-25	53,591,857,102	10,118,958	2,615,991,747	56,217,967,807	2.22*

<sup>\*</sup>In 2024-25 office building space assessed value in the District declined by 26% from the prior year, which is largely attributed to a reduction in demand for large office building space, related property sales and reassessments including unilateral reassessments by the County Assessor.

Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

**Bonding Capacity.** As a unified school district, the District may issue bonds in an amount up to 2.50% of the assessed valuation of taxable property within its boundaries. The District's gross bonding capacity (also commonly referred to as the "bonding limit" or "debt limit") is \$1,405,449,195 and its net bonding capacity is \$1,032,669,195 (taking into account current outstanding debt before issuance of the Bonds). Refunding bonds may be issued without regard to this limitation; however, once issued, the outstanding principal of any refunding bonds is included when calculating the District's bonding capacity.

Factors Relating to Increases/Decreases in Assessed Value. Economic Conditions; Disasters. As indicated in the previous table, assessed valuations are subject to change in each year. Increases or decreases in assessed valuation result from a variety of factors including but not limited to general economic conditions, supply and demand for real property in the area, government regulations such as zoning, and man-made or natural disasters which include but are not limited to earthquakes, fires/wildfires, floods, drought, mudslides and the consequences of climate change such as heat waves, droughts, extreme winds events, sea level rise and floods, which could have an impact on assessed values. The State including the region in which the District is located, has in recent years experienced significant natural disasters such as earthquakes, droughts, mudslides, wildfires and floods. Climate change can also cause hazards such as heat waves, droughts and floods, which could have an impact on assessed values. Fault lines are also located throughout the State causing seismic activity including in the vicinity of the District. Public

health disasters such as the COVID-19 pandemic could also have direct and indirect impacts on economic conditions and property values.

<u>Future Conditions Unknown.</u> The District cannot predict or make any representations regarding the effects that prolonged droughts or wildfires or any other type of natural or manmade disasters, including the COVID-19 pandemic, and related conditions have or may have on the value of taxable property within the District, or to what extent the effects said disasters might have on economic activity in the District or throughout the State.

**Assessed Valuation by Jurisdiction.** The following table shows the assessed valuation of local secured property within the District by jurisdiction for fiscal year 2024-25.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024-25 Assessed Valuation by Jurisdiction

	Assessed Valuation	% of	Assessed Valuation	% of Jurisdiction
Jurisdiction:	<u>in District</u>	<b>District</b>	of Jurisdiction	in District
City of Clayton	\$ 2,955,046,108	5.26%	\$2,955,046,108	100.00%
City of Concord	22,465,885,460	39.96	\$22,465,885,460	100.00%
City of Martinez	3,097,766,284	5.51	\$8,124,080,480	38.13%
City of Pittsburg	2,480,076,409	4.41	\$10,460,828,135	23.71%
City of Pleasant Hill	8,453,391,436	15.04	\$8,453,391,436	100.00%
City of Walnut Creek	9,753,537,214	17.35	\$24,898,636,051	39.17%
Unincorporated Contra Costa County	7,012,264,896	12.47	\$54,724,499,420	12.81%
Total District	\$56,217,967,807	100.00%		
Contra Costa County	\$56,217,967,807	100.00%	\$279,419,231,789	20.12%

Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

**Assessed Valuation by Land Use.** The following table shows the land use of property in the District, as measured by assessed valuation and the number of parcels for fiscal year 2024-25.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024-25 Assessed Valuation and Parcels by Land Use

	2024-25 Assessed Valuation	% of n <sup>(1)</sup> Total	No. of Parcels	% of Total	No. of Taxa Parcels	ble % Total
Non-Residential:						
Agricultural/Rural	\$ 100,113,256	0.19%	138	0.16%	132	0.15%
Commercial/Office	5,288,273,934	9.87	1,622	1.86	1,601	1.86
Vacant Commercial	35,598,767	0.07	104	0.12	93	0.11
Industrial	3,223,981,779	6.02	555	0.63	551	0.64
Vacant Industrial	61,890,430	0.12	71	0.08	71	0.08
Recreational	126,819,132	0.24	85	0.10	85	0.10
Government/Social/Institutional	90,185,120	0.17	1,414	1.62	750	0.87
Miscellaneous	146,994,218	0.27	<u>1,124</u>	<u>1.29</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>1.01</u>
Subtotal Non-Residential	\$9,073,856,636	16.93%	5,113	5.85%	4,150	4.82%
Residential:						
Single Family Residence	\$35,528,050,538	66.29%	61,828	70.71%	61,766	71.72%
Condominium/Townhouse	5,431,672,840	10.14	17,069	19.52	17,049	19.80
Rural Residential	212,530,223	0.40	225	0.26	225	0.26
Mobile Home	27,314,819	0.05	929	1.06	929	1.08
2-4 Residential Units	508,702,737	0.95	745	0.85	745	0.87
5+ Residential Units/Apartments	2,675,893,499	4.99	596	0.68	575	0.67
Vacant Residential	133,835,810	0.25	<u>933</u>	1.07	<u>678</u>	0.79
Subtotal Residential	\$44,518,000,466	83.07%	82,325	94.15%	81,967	95.18%
Total	\$53,591,857,102	100.00%	87,438	100.00%	86,117	100.00%

<sup>(1)</sup> Local secured assessed valuation; excluding tax-exempt property.

Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

**Assessed Valuation of Single Family Residential Parcels.** The following table shows a breakdown of the assessed valuations of improved single-family residential parcels in the District and the average and median assessed value for single family parcels, for fiscal year 2024-25.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Per Parcel 2024-25 Assessed Valuation of Single Family Homes

	No. of	2024-25		Average		Median	
	<u>Parcels</u>			Assessed Valuation			
Single Family Residential	61,766	\$35,52	28,050,538	\$575,204	\$5	25,078	
2024-25	No. of	% of (	Cumulative	Total	% of (	Cumulative	
Assessed Valuation	Parcels (1)		% of Total	Valuation	Total	% of Total	
\$0 - \$49,999	159	0.257%	0.257%	\$ 5,149,954	0.014%		
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2.689	4.354	4.611	217,004,453	0.611	0.625	
\$100,000 - \$99,999 \$100,000 - \$149,999	3,233	5.234	9.845	400,767,519	1.128	1.753	
\$100,000 - \$149,999 \$150,000 - \$199,999	•	4.719	14.565	510,751,547	1.128	3.191	
	2,915			, ,			
\$200,000 - \$249,999	3,188	5.161	19.726	718,615,083	2.023	5.214	
\$250,000 - \$299,999	3,541	5.733	25.459	974,397,349	2.743	7.956	
\$300,000 - \$349,999	3,546	5.741	31.200	1,150,605,126	3.239	11.195	
\$350,000 - \$399,999	3,438	5.566	36.766	1,288,409,991	3.626	14.821	
\$400,000 - \$449,999	3,313	5.364	42.130	1,408,095,294	3.963	18.785	
\$450,000 - \$499,999	3,231	5.231	47.361	1,533,747,810	4.317	23.102	
\$500,000 - \$549,999	3,181	5.150	52.511	1,669,254,690	4.698	27.800	
\$550,000 - \$599,999	3,138	5.080	57.592	1,804,588,885	5.079	32.879	
\$600,000 - \$649,999	3,167	5.127	62.719	1,978,523,581	5.569	38.448	
\$650,000 - \$699,999	3,174	5.139	67.858	2,142,414,422	6.030	44.478	
\$700,000 - \$749,999	2,969	4.807	72.665	2,150,931,362	6.054	50.533	
\$750.000 - \$799.999	2.769	4.483	77.148	2,142,393,813	6.030	56.563	
\$800,000 - \$849,999	2,224	3.601	80.748	1,832,547,740	5.158	61.721	
\$850,000 - \$899,999	1,896	3.070	83.818	1,656,763,545	4.663	66.384	
\$900,000 - \$949,999	1,679	2.718	86.536	1,550,806,047	4.365	70.749	
\$950,000 - \$999,999	1,374	2.225	88.761	1,338,221,807	3.767	74.516	
\$1,000,000 and greater	6,942	11.239	100.000	9,054,060,520	25.484	100.000	
\$ 1,000,000 and groater	61,766	100.000%	. 50.000	\$35,528,050,538	100.000%	. 50.000	
	01,700	100.00070		\$55,5 <u>2</u> 5,000,000	100.00070		

<sup>(1)</sup> Improved single family residential parcels. Excludes condominiums and parcels with multiple family units. Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

## Reassessments and Appeals of Assessed Value

There are generally two means by which assessed values can be reassessed or appealed that could adversely impact property tax revenues within the District, being a temporary reduction based on Proposition 8 (defined below), or a challenge to the base year value of property.

Pursuant to California Proposition 8 of November 1978 ("Proposition 8"), property owners may apply for a reduction of their property tax assessment by filing a written application, in a form prescribed by the SBE, with the appropriate county board of equalization or assessment appeals board. County assessors may also independently reduce assessed values based upon factors such as property damage or reductions in the fair market value of the taxable property. In most cases, an appeal is filed because the applicant believes that present market conditions (such as lower residential home sale prices) cause the property to be worth less than its current assessed value. Any reduction in the assessment ultimately granted as a result of such appeal applies to the year for which application is made and during which the written application was filed. Such reductions are subject to yearly reappraisals and may be adjusted back to their original values when market conditions improve. Once the property has regained its prior value, adjusted for inflation, it once again is subject to the annual inflationary factor growth rate allowed under Article XIIIA. See

"CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS – Article XIIIA of the California Constitution" in Appendix A.

A second type of assessment appeal involves a challenge to the base year value of an assessed property. Appeals for reduction in the base year value of an assessment, if successful, reduce the assessment for the year in which the appeal is taken and prospectively thereafter. The base year is determined by the completion date of new construction or the date of change of ownership. Any base year appeal must be made within four years of the change of ownership or new construction date.

County assessors, at their discretion, may also, from time to time, review certain property types purchased between specific time periods (e.g., all single family homes and condominiums purchased shortly prior to widespread declines in the fair market value of residential real estate within the county, as occurred in the State between the years 2009 and 2011) and may proactively, temporarily reduce the assessed value of qualifying properties to Proposition 8 assessed values without owner appeal.

A property that has been reassessed under Proposition 8, whether pursuant to owner appeal or due to county assessor review, is subsequently reviewed annually to determine its lien date value. Assuming no change in ownership or new construction, and if and as market conditions improve, the assessed value of a property with a Proposition 8 assessed value in place may increase as of each property tax lien date by more than the standard annual inflationary factor growth rate allowed under Article XIIIA (currently, a 2% annual maximum) until such assessed value again equals the Article XIIIA base year value for such property as adjusted for inflation and years of ownership, at which point such property is again taxed pursuant to Article XIIIA and base year values may not be increased by more than the standard Article XIIIA annual inflationary factor growth rate. A change in ownership while a property is subject to a Proposition 8 reassessment assessed valuation will cause such assessed valuation to become fixed as a new Article XIIIA base year value for such property. See "CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS – Article XIIIA of the California Constitution" in Appendix A.

No assurance can be given that property tax appeals and reassessments in the future will not reduce the assessed valuation of property in the District.

#### **Tax Rates**

The table below summarizes the total *ad valorem* property tax rates levied by all taxing entities in a typical tax rate area in the District for recent fiscal years.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Typical Total Tax Rates per \$100 of Assessed Valuation (TRA 2-002\*)

	2020-21	<b>2021-22</b>	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
General	\$1.0000	\$1.0000	\$1.0000	\$1.0000	\$1.0000
Bay Area Rapid Transit District	.0139	.0060	.0140	.0134	.0148
East Bay Regional Park District	.0014	.0020	.0058	.0057	.0013
Mt. Diablo Unified School District	.0909	.0898	.0810	.0710	.0689
Contra Costa Community College District	.0161	.0176	.0162	.0146	.0142
Total	\$1.1223	\$1.1154	\$1.1170	\$1.1047	\$1.0992
Contra Costa Water District (Land Only)	\$0.0025	\$0.0023	\$0.0021	\$0.0020	\$0.0019

<sup>\*2024-25</sup> assessed valuation of TRA 2-002 is \$14,237,130,269 which is 25.32% of the District's total assessed valuation. Source: California Municipal Statistics. Inc.

## Tax Levies and Delinquencies - Teeter Plan

The Board of Supervisors of the County has adopted the Alternative Method of Distribution of Tax Levies and Collections and of Tax Sale Proceeds (the "Teeter Plan"), as provided for in Section 4701 *et seq.* of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. Under the Teeter Plan, each entity levying property taxes in the County may draw on the amount of uncollected secured taxes credited to its fund, in the same manner as if the amount credited had been collected. The County's Teeter Plan currently covers the one percent general fund apportionment levy, and also other *ad valorem* taxes, such as those levied to repay the Bonds. The plan also includes special assessments/direct charges, as long as the taxing entity is a Teeter participant.

So long as the Teeter Plan remains in effect, the District's receipt of revenues with respect to the levy of *ad valorem* property taxes will not be dependent upon actual collections of the *ad valorem* property taxes by the County. However, under the statute creating the Teeter Plan, the Board of Supervisors can under certain circumstances terminate the Teeter Plan in part or in its entirety with respect to the entire County and, in addition, the Board of Supervisors can terminate the Teeter Plan with respect to the District if the delinquency rate for all *ad valorem* property taxes levied within the District in any year exceeds 3%. In the event that the Teeter Plan were terminated, the amount of the levy of *ad valorem* property taxes in the District would depend upon the collections of the *ad valorem* property taxes and delinquency rates experienced with respect to the parcels within the District.

The current practice of the County under the Teeter Plan is to pay the District 100% of the ad valorem taxes payable annually to the District in connection with general obligation bond indebtedness and to retain any penalties or delinquencies collected to offset such gross payment. In addition, the District cannot predict the impact, if any, that changes or modifications to property tax collection procedures might have on the County's Teeter Plan.

Finally, the ability of the County to maintain the Teeter Plan may depend on its financial resources and may be affected by future property tax delinquencies. Property tax delinquencies may be impacted by economic and other factors beyond the District's or the County's control, including the ability or willingness of property owners to pay property taxes during an economic

recession or depression. An economic recession or depression could be caused by many factors outside the control of the District, including high interest rates, reduced consumer confidence, reduced real wages or reduced economic activity as a result of the spread of COVID-19 or other outbreak of disease or natural or manmade disaster.

There can be no assurances that the County will continue the Teeter Plan in the future, or that the County will not discontinue the Teeter Plan or remove the District from the Teeter Plan in the future.

Notwithstanding the operation of the Teeter Plan, below is a summary of recent secured tax charges and delinquencies in the District for property taxes levied to repay outstanding general obligation bonds of the District.

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Secured Tax Charges and Delinquencies Fiscal Years 2019-20 through 2023-24

		Amount	
Tax Year	Secured Tax Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	Delinquent June 30	% Delinquent June 30
2019-20	\$38,566,273	\$286,604	0.74%
2020-21	40,515,712	322,381	0.80
2021-22	41,298,811	301,543	0.73
2022-23	39,926,302	338,213	0.85
2023-24	36,767,131	406,411	1.11

<sup>(1)</sup> District's general obligation bond debt service levy. Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

## **Major Taxpayers**

The following table shows the 20 largest taxpayers in the District as determined by their secured assessed valuations in fiscal year 2024-25. The District cannot determine from County assessment records whether individual persons, corporations or other organizations are liable for tax payments with respect to multiple properties held in various names that in aggregate may be larger than is suggested by the table below. A large concentration of ownership in a single individual or entity results in a greater amount of tax collections which are dependent upon that property owner's ability or willingness to pay property taxes.

# MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Largest 2024-25 Local Secured Taxpayers

				2024-25	% of
	Property Owner	Primary Land Use	<u>Ass</u>	essed Valuation	Total (1)
1.	Tesoro Refining & Marketing Co.	Heavy Industrial	\$	502,055,317	0.94%
2.	Taubman Land Associates LLC	Regional Mall		249,018,512	0.46
3.	Concord Centercal Owner LLC	Shopping Center		205,000,000	0.38
4.	Renaissance Res Holdings LLC	Apartments		154,309,748	0.29
5.	Sequoia Equities-Concord PC	Apartments		128,313,174	0.24
6.	Gonsalves & Santucci Inc.	Industrial		123,109,085	0.23
7.	Willows Center Concord	Shopping Center		122,000,000	0.23
8.	PH Crescent Drive Investors	Shopping Center		119,670,576	0.22
9.	HM Grant Street LLC	Apartments		118,512,445	0.22
10.	Shadelands Park LLC	Shopping Center		114,390,000	0.21
11.	Clayton Station Shopping Center	Shopping Center		112,576,361	0.21
12.	Park Regency Partners	Apartments		109,078,817	0.20
13.	Concord Tech Center Property Own	er Office Building		105,002,291	0.20
14.	IMT Capital IV Pleasant Hill	Apartments		93,427,545	0.17
15.	San Marco Properties LLC	Apartments		90,970,224	0.17
16.	235 Camelback LLC	Apartments		86,989,142	0.16
17.	Treat Towers Owner LLC	Office Building		81,000,000	0.15
18.	FW CA PH Shopping Center LLC	Shopping Center		77,456,211	0.14
19.	CSAA Inter-Insurance Bureau	Office Building		76,526,000	0.14
20.	SPPI Commercial LLC	Office Building		73,733,673	<u>0.14</u>
		-	\$2	2,743,139,121	5.12%

<sup>(1) 2024-25</sup> local secured assessed valuation: \$53,591,857,102.

Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

## **Direct and Overlapping Debt**

Set forth below is a direct and overlapping debt report (the "**Debt Report**") prepared by California Municipal Statistics, Inc. for debt issued as of March 1, 2025. The Debt Report is included for general information purposes only. The District has not reviewed the Debt Report for completeness or accuracy and makes no representation in connection therewith.

The Debt Report generally includes long-term obligations sold in the public credit markets by public agencies whose boundaries overlap the boundaries of the District in whole or in part. Such long-term obligations generally are not payable from revenues of the District (except as indicated) nor are they necessarily obligations secured by land within the District. In many cases, long-term obligations issued by a public agency are payable only from the general fund or other revenues of such public agency.

## MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Direct and Overlapping Bonded Debt (Debt Issued as of March 1, 2025)

2024-25 Assessed Valuation: \$56,217,967,807

DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING TAX AND ASSESSMENT DEBT: Bay Area Rapid Transit District Contra Costa Community College District Mt. Diablo Unified School District General Obligation Bonds Mt. Diablo Unified School District Certificates of Participation East Bay Regional Park District Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District City of Martinez City of Pittsburg Community Facilities District No. 2005-2 California Statewide Community Development Authority Assessment District No. 22-01 1915 Act Bonds (Estimated) TOTAL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING TAX AND ASSESSMENT DEBT	% Applicable 5.365% 20.183 100.000 100.000 8.37 88.233 38.131 100.000 100.000 Various	Debt 3/1/25 \$128,291,099 119,458,131 372,780,000 6,655,000 12,360,398 17,814,243 8,398,353 6,210,000 1,715,000 2,078,019 \$675,760,243	(1) (2)
OVERLAPPING GENERAL FUND DEBT: Contra Costa County General Fund Obligations City of Concord General Fund Obligations City of Martinez General Fund Obligations City of Pleasant Hill General Fund Obligations City of Pittsburg Pension Obligation Bonds City of Walnut Creek General Fund Obligations Pleasant Hill Recreation and Park District Certificates of Participation TOTAL GROSS OVERLAPPING GENERAL FUND DEBT Less: Contra Costa County Obligations supported by revenue funds TOTAL NET OVERLAPPING GENERAL FUND DEBT	20.120% 100.000 38.131 100.000 23.708 39.173 88.233	\$ 34,504,794 99,265,000 7,141,936 18,530,742 5,745,023 372,503 3,917,545 \$169,477,543 8,176,229 \$161,301,314	
OVERLAPPING TAX INCREMENT DEBT (Successor Agencies):		\$52,684,590	(3)
GROSS COMBINED TOTAL DEBT NET COMBINED TOTAL DEBT		\$897,922,376 \$889,746,147	(0)
Ratios to 2024-25 Assessed Valuation:  Direct Debt (\$379,435,000) (4)			
Total Overlapping Tax Increment Debt			

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes the Bonds, but includes the Refunded Bonds.

<sup>(2)</sup> The District intends to use surplus Special Tax Revenues collected from the District's Community Facilities District No. 1 to pay debt service on the 2018 Certificates.

<sup>(3)</sup> Excludes tax and revenue anticipation notes, enterprise revenue, mortgage revenue and non-bonded capital lease obligations.
(4) Includes Certificates of Participation Source: California Municipal Statistics, Inc.

## **TAX MATTERS**

## Tax Exemption

**Federal Tax Status.** In the opinion of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, San Francisco, California, Bond Counsel, subject, however to the qualifications set forth below, under existing law, the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and such interest is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Interest on the Bonds may be subject to the corporate alternative minimum tax.

The opinions set forth in the preceding paragraph are subject to the condition that the District comply with all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Tax Code**") that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest thereon be, and continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has made certain representations and covenants in order to comply with each such requirement. Inaccuracy of those representations, or failure to comply with certain of those covenants, may cause the inclusion of such interest in gross income for federal income tax purposes, which may be retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

**Tax Treatment of Original Issue Discount and Premium**. If the initial offering price to the public at which a Bond is sold is less than the amount payable at maturity thereof, then such difference constitutes "original issue discount" for purposes of federal income taxes and State of California personal income taxes. If the initial offering price to the public at which a Bond is sold is greater than the amount payable at maturity thereof, then such difference constitutes "original issue premium" for purposes of federal income taxes and State of California personal income taxes. *De minimis* original issue discount and original issue premium are disregarded.

Under the Tax Code, original issue discount is treated as interest excluded from federal gross income and exempt from State of California personal income taxes to the extent properly allocable to each owner thereof subject to the limitations described in the first paragraph of this section. The original issue discount accrues over the term to maturity of the Bond on the basis of a constant interest rate compounded on each interest or principal payment date (with straight-line interpolations between compounding dates). The amount of original issue discount accruing during each period is added to the adjusted basis of such Bonds to determine taxable gain upon disposition (including sale, redemption, or payment on maturity) of such Bond. The Tax Code contains certain provisions relating to the accrual of original issue discount in the case of purchasers of the Bonds who purchase the Bonds after the initial offering of a substantial amount of such maturity. Owners of such Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of ownership of Bonds with original issue discount, including the treatment of purchasers who do not purchase in the original offering to the public at the first price at which a substantial amount of such Bonds is sold to the public.

Under the Tax Code, original issue premium is amortized on an annual basis over the term of the Bond (said term being the shorter of the Bond's maturity date or its call date). The amount of original issue premium amortized each year reduces the adjusted basis of the owner of the Bond for purposes of determining taxable gain or loss upon disposition. The amount of original issue premium on a Bond is amortized each year over the term to maturity of the Bond on the basis of a constant interest rate compounded on each interest or principal payment date (with straight-line interpolations between compounding dates). Amortized Bond premium is not deductible for federal income tax purposes. Owners of premium Bonds, including purchasers who do not purchase in the

original offering, should consult their own tax advisors with respect to State of California personal income tax and federal income tax consequences of owning such Bonds.

**California Tax Status.** In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is exempt from California personal income taxes.

#### Other Tax Considerations

Current and future legislative proposals, if enacted into law, clarification of the Tax Code or court decisions may cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation or to be subject to or exempted from state income taxation or otherwise prevent beneficial owners from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. The introduction or enactment of any such legislative proposals, clarification of the Tax Code or court decisions may also affect the market price for, or marketability of, the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal might be enacted or whether, if enacted, such legislation would apply to bonds issued prior to enactment.

The opinions expressed by Bond Counsel are based upon existing legislation and regulations as interpreted by relevant judicial and regulatory authorities as of the date of such opinion, and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion with respect to any proposed legislation or as to the tax treatment of interest on the Bonds, or as to the consequences of owning or receiving interest on the Bonds, as of any future date. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal or state tax legislation, regulations or litigation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion.

Owners of the Bonds should also be aware that the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may have federal or state tax consequences other than as described above. Other than as expressly described above, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding other federal or state tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, the ownership, sale or disposition of the Bonds, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on the Bonds.

#### **Forms of Opinions**

Copies of the proposed forms of opinions of Bond Counsel are attached hereto as APPENDIX D.

#### **CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

#### **Legality for Investment**

Under provisions of the California Financial Code, the Bonds are legal investments for commercial banks in California to the extent that the Bonds, in the informed opinion of the bank, are prudent for the investment of funds of depositors, and under provisions of the California Government Code, the Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of public moneys in California.

## **Absence of Material Litigation**

#### [[SUBJECT TO 2025 DUE DILIGENCE]]

Absence of Pending or Threatened Litigation Relating to the Bonds. No litigation is pending or threatened, nor is any audit or investigation premised on any assertion, concerning or contesting the validity of the Bonds or the District's ability to receive *ad valorem* property taxes and to collect other revenues, or contesting the District's ability to issue and retire the Bonds. The District is not aware of any litigation pending or threatened, nor is any audit or investigation premised on any assertion, questioning the political existence of the District or contesting the title to their offices of District officers who will execute the Bonds or District officials who will sign certifications relating to the Bonds, or the powers of those offices. A certificate (or certificates) to that effect will be furnished to the Underwriter (defined herein) at the time of the original delivery of the Bonds.

Absence of Material Litigation. The District is subject to lawsuits and claims that arise in the regular course of operating a public school district. In the opinion of the District, the aggregate amount of uninsured liabilities of the District under existing lawsuits and claims will not materially affect the financial position or operations of the District. The District maintains property and liability coverage and workers' compensation coverage. For more information on the District's insurance coverages, see APPENDIX A under the heading "DISTRICT GENERAL INFORMATION – Insurance; Risk Management."

### **Compensation of Certain Professionals**

Payment of the fees and expenses of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, Underwriter's Counsel, and Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc., as municipal advisor to the District (the "Municipal Advisor"), is contingent upon issuance of the Bonds.

#### **Municipal Advisor Statement**

Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc. has acted as Municipal Advisor to the District in conjunction with the issuance of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has assisted in matters related to the planning, structuring, execution, and delivery of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor will receive compensation contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has not audited, authenticated, or otherwise independently verified the information set forth in this Official Statement, or any other related information available, with respect to accuracy and completeness of disclosure of such information. Because of this limited participation, the Municipal Advisor makes no guaranty, warranty, or other representation with respect to the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement, or any other matter related to this Official Statement.

#### **CYBER RISKS**

The District, like other public and private entities, relies on computer and other digital networks and systems to conduct its operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private or other electronic sensitive information, the District may be the subject of cyber threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. Entities or individuals may attempt to gain unauthorized remote access to the District's systems for the purposes of misappropriating assets or information or causing operational disruption or damage, or demanding ransom for restored access to files or information.

[Subject to further 2025 due diligence] The District has never had a major cyber breach that resulted in a financial loss. The District has implemented cyber security measures to safeguard its systems including by routinely undertaking the following:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. District insurance policies include standard coverage for cyber incidents.

No assurance can be given that the District's current efforts to manage cyber threats and security will, in all cases, be successful. The District's insurance policies include standard coverage for cyber incidents. The District cannot predict what future cyber security events may occur and what impact said events could have on its operations or finances.

The District relies on other entities and service providers in the course of operating the District, including the County with respect to the levy and collection of *ad valorem* property taxes, as well as other trustees, fiscal agents and dissemination agents. No assurance can be given that future cyber threats and attacks against other third party entities or service providers will not impact the District and the owners of the Bonds, including the possibility of impacting the timely payments of debt service on the Bonds or timely filings pursuant to the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

The District will execute a Continuing Disclosure Certificate in connection with the issuance of the Bonds in the form attached hereto as Appendix E. The District has covenanted therein, for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to the District to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (an "Annual Report") not later than nine months after the end of the District's fiscal year (which currently is June 30), commencing by March 31, 2026 with the report for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year, and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. Such notices will be filed by the District with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The specific nature of the information to be contained in an Annual Report or the notices of enumerated events is set forth in "APPENDIX E – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE." These covenants have been made in order to assist the Underwriter of the Bonds in complying with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) (the "Rule").

The District has made undertakings pursuant to the Rule in connection with other bond and debt issuances. In the previous five years, instances of noncompliance with existing undertakings are that the District filed its audited financial statements for fiscal year 2019-20 late on April 28, 2021 (filing due dates vary by series from February 25 to April 16), which resulted in the late filing of information regarding the summary of outstanding debt and pension plan contributions, although it did file its unaudited financial statements for fiscal year 2019-20 timely on February 28, 2021; the timely filing of the 2023-24 Adopted Budget including 2022-23 unaudited actuals in lieu of the 2022-23 Audited Financial Statements and a delay in the subsequent filing of the 2022-23 Audit on March

21, 2025; and a notice of insurer rating change timely filed on August 9, 2024 did not link to all related CUSIPs. Such filing errors have been remedied.

The District has engaged the services of Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc. to serve as its dissemination agent in connection with its undertakings, including the undertaking in connection with the Bonds.

Neither the County nor any other entity other than the District shall have any obligation or incur any liability whatsoever with respect to the performance of the District's duties regarding continuing disclosure.

### **VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL ACCURACY**

The Verification Agent, upon delivery of the Refunding Bonds, will deliver a report of the mathematical accuracy of certain computations, contained in schedules provided to them on behalf of the District, relating to (a) the sufficiency of the anticipated amount of proceeds of the Refunding Bonds and other funds available to pay, when due, the principal and interest requirements of the Refunded Bonds and (b) the "yields" on the amount of proceeds held and invested prior to redemption of the Refunded Bonds and on the Refunding Bonds considered by Bond Counsel in connection with the opinion rendered by Bond Counsel that the Bonds are not "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. See "THE REFINANCING PLAN."

The report of the Verification Agent will include the statement that the scope of their engagement is limited to verifying mathematical accuracy, of the computations contained in such schedules provided to them, and that they have no obligation to update their report because of events occurring, or data or information coming to their attention, subsequent to the date of their report.

#### RATING

Moody's Ratings ("Moody's") has assigned a rating of "Aa3" to the Bonds. Such rating reflects only the views of Moody's and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained only from Moody's. The District has provided certain additional information and materials to Moody's (some of which does not appear in this Official Statement because it has been considered not material to making an investment decision in the Bonds). There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that the rating will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by Moody's, if in its judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

#### UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, as underwriter (the "**Underwriter**"). The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds at the following purchase prices:

<u>Series C Bonds</u> . \$	which is equal to the initial principal amount o	of
the Series C Bonds of \$	, plus original issue premium o	of
\$, less an Underwriter	r's discount of \$	
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The obligations of the Underwriter are subject to certain conditions precedent, and it will be obligated to purchase all such Bonds if any Bonds are purchased. The Underwriter intends to offer the Bonds to the public initially at the yields set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, which yields may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice.

The Underwriter and its affiliates comprise a full service financial institution engaged in activities which may include sales and trading, commercial and investment banking, advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, market making, brokerage and other financial and non-financial activities and services. The Underwriter and its affiliates may have provided, and may in the future provide, a variety of these services to the District and to persons and entities with relationships with the District, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In the ordinary course of these business activities, the Underwriter and its affiliates may purchase, sell or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade securities, derivatives, loans and other financial instruments for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and such investment and trading activities may involve or relate to assets, securities and/or instruments of the District (directly, as collateral securing other obligations or otherwise) and/or persons and entities with relationships with the District.

The Underwriter and its affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire such assets, securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve securities and instruments of the Underwriter.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The discussions herein about the Bond Resolution and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate are brief outlines of certain provisions thereof. Such outlines do not purport to be complete and for full and complete statements of such provisions reference is made to such documents. A copy of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate is attached hereto as APPENDIX E, and a copy of the Bond Resolution is available from the Underwriter and following delivery of the Bonds will be on file at the offices of the Paying Agent in Los Angeles, California.

References are also made herein to certain documents and reports relating to the District; such references are brief summaries and do not purport to be complete or definitive. Copies of such documents are available upon written request to the District.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the District and the purchasers or Owners of any of the Bonds.

### **EXECUTION**

The execution and delivery of this Official Statement have been duly authorized by the District.

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By:		
	Chief Business Officer	

#### APPENDIX A

# GENERAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The information in this appendix and other sections concerning the District's operations, financial information and operating budget is provided as supplementary information only, and it should not be inferred from the inclusion of this information in this Official Statement that the principal of or interest on the Bonds is payable from the general fund of the District. The Bonds are payable solely from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax required to be levied by the County in an amount sufficient for the payment thereof. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS" in the front half of the Official Statement. Capitalized terms used in this Appendix and not defined have the meanings assigned in the front section of this Official Statement.

#### DISTRICT GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **General Information**

The District was established on July 1, 1949, and is located approximately 30 miles east of San Francisco in the northwestern portion of the County. The District covers approximately 150 square miles and encompasses an estimated population of about 264,000 residents including all of the cities of Concord, Pleasant Hill, and Clayton, portions of the cities of Walnut Creek, Pittsburg and Martinez, and unincorporated communities of the County including Pacheco, Bay Point and Lafayette. The District provides transitional kindergarten through twelfth grade education services across 54 school sites. Schools sites include 30 elementary schools, 9 middle schools, 5 high schools, 8 alternative schools, 1 adult education school, and 1 dependent charter school. The District's enrollment for fiscal year 2024-25 is 29,494 students, and average daily attendance is generally 93% of enrollment.

For additional demographic and other information regarding the City of Concord and the County, see Appendix C hereto.

#### Administration

**Board of Education.** The District is governed by a five-member Board of Education (the "Board"), each member of which is elected to a four-year term. Elections for positions to the Board by trustee area are held every two years, alternating between three and four available positions. Current members of the Board of Education, together with their office and the date their term expires, are listed below:

# BOARD OF EDUCATION Mt. Diablo Unified School District

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	Term Expires
Linda Mayo, Area 2	President	November 2026
Cherise Khaund, Area 4	Vice President	November 2026
Debra Mason, Area 1	Trustee	November 2026
Keisha Nzewi, Area 3	Trustee	November 2028
Tom McDougall, Area 5	Trustee	November 2028

**Superintendent and Administrative Personnel**. The Superintendent of the District, appointed by the Board of Education, is responsible for management of the day-to-day operations and supervises the work of other District administrators. Adam Clark, Ed.D., is the District Superintendent and Adrian Vargas is the Chief Business Officer.

#### **Recent Enrollment Trends and ADA**

The following table shows historical enrollment and average daily attendance ("ADA") for the District.

# ANNUAL ENROLLMENT AND AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE Fiscal Years 2015-16 through 2024-25 Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Fiscal Year	Student Enrollment	% Change	<b>ADA</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	% Change
2015-16	32,002	%	31,195	%
2016-17	31,813	(0.6)	30,465	(2.3)
2017-18	31,315	(1.6)	30,113	(1.2)
2018-19	31,013	(1.0)	29,657	(1.5)
2019-20 <sup>(1)</sup>	31,037	0.1	29,419	(0.8)
2020-21	29,908	(3.6)	29,432	0.0
2021-22	29,134	(2.6)	26,770	(9.0)
2022-23	29,180	0.2	26,799	0.1
2023-24	29,356	0.6	27,380	2.2
2024-25 <sup>(3)</sup>	29,494	0.5	27,438	0.2

<sup>\*</sup>Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic which commenced in approximately March 2020 and related legislation enacted to minimize the impacts to school districts on funding based on ADA, the ADA figures for these years do not represent actual ADA but ADA for State funding entitlement purposes.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

The District actively examines its enrollment trends. The District has a demographer which has prepared a demographic study to assist the District in making future facilities and program planning decisions. The demographer's most recent report predicts steady growth over the next several years. The District generally attributes this to the continued implementation of the TK-K program which has been steady and continues to be implemented.

#### **Charter Schools**

Charter schools are largely independent schools operating as part of the public school system under State law, subject to approval or sponsorship by an existing local public school district, a county board of education or the State Board of Education.

The District is currently a sponsor to two charter schools. Both have separate governance and audited financial statements from the District. The first is Eagle Creek Montessori Charter School, established in 2000 and serving grades one through six (enrollment generally 290 students), with a current charter extending to 2027. Its funding under LCFF flows through the District as its sponsor. The second is Rocketship Futuro Academy Mt. Diablo serving grades TK through five (enrollment generally 650 students), with a current charter extending to 2027. It a directly funded by the State and does not have funds which flow through the District.

<sup>(1)</sup> The COVID-19 pandemic commenced in approximately March 2020.

<sup>(2)</sup> Funded ADA. ADA for funding purposes can be the higher of actual ADA, prior year ADA, or an average of the three prior years.

<sup>(3)</sup> Projection.

Clayton Valley Charter High School and Contra Costa County School of Performing Arts are charter schools in District boundaries but sponsored by the County Office of Education. Contra Costa County School of Performing Arts has announced it will close at the end of the 2024-25 fiscal year due to low enrollment generally at 360 students and serving grades six through twelve.

### **Employee Relations**

The District has in fiscal year 2024-25 at Second Interim, 1,666.9 full time equivalent ("FTE") certificated employees, 1,100.4 FTE classified employees and 254.0 management/Supervisor/Confidential FTE employees. Certificated employees, classified employees and District police officers are represented by employee bargaining units as follows:

Bargaining Unit	Type of Employees Covered	Contract Expiration Date
Mt. Diablo Education Assn. ("MDEA") Mt. Diablo School Psychologist Assn. Teamsters Local Union #856 Public Employees Union, Local #1 California School Employees Assn.	Certificated - non-psychologists Certificated - psychologists Classified - maint., oper., transport. Classified - clerical, secret., tech. Classified - instruct. aide/campus supvsr	6/30/2025 6/30/2025 6/30/2026 6/30/2027 6/30/2025

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

The foregoing contracts have annual re-openers for certain terms including salaries and other benefits. Salaries are settled through fiscal year 2024-25.

#### **Insurance – Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; life and health of employees; and natural disasters. As such, the District undertakes a risk management program to minimize its risks.

The District is a member of Contra Costa County Schools Insurance Group ("CCCSIG"), CSAC Excess Insurance Authority ("CSAC-EIA"), the Schools' Self-Insurance of Contra Costa County ("SSICCC"), and the School Project for Utility Rate Reduction ("SPURR") through joint powers agreements ("JPAs"). These JPAs provide the District with property and liability insurance coverage, including coverage for cyber security incidents, as well as health and welfare benefits. Each entity is governed by a board consisting of a representative from each member district. The governing board controls the operations of its JPAs independent of any influence by the member districts beyond their representation on the governing board.

Each member district pays a premium commensurate with the level of coverage requested and shares surpluses and deficits proportionately to its participation in the JPAs. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years and there were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year.

See "APPENDIX B -AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24."

#### **DISTRICT FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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#### **Education Funding Generally**

School districts in California receive operating income primarily from two sources: the State funded portion which is derived from the State's general fund, and a locally funded portion, being the district's share of the one percent general *ad valorem* tax levy authorized by the California Constitution. As a result, decreases or deferrals in education funding by the State could significantly affect a school district's revenues and operations.

From 1973-74 to 2012-13, California school districts operated under general purpose revenue limits established by the State Legislature. In general, revenue limits were calculated for each school district by multiplying (1) the ADA for such district by (2) a base revenue limit per unit of ADA. The revenue limit calculations were adjusted annually in accordance with a number of factors designated primarily to provide cost of living increases and to equalize revenues among all California school districts of the same type. Funding of the District's revenue limit was provided by a mix of local property taxes and State apportionments of basic and equalization aid. Generally, the State apportionments amounted to the difference between the District's revenue limit and its local property tax revenues. Districts which had local property tax revenues which exceeded their revenue limit entitlement were deemed "Basic Aid Districts" and received full funding from local property tax revenues and were entitled to keep those tax revenues which exceeded their revenue limit funding entitlement, receiving full funding from their property tax revenues.

The fiscal year 2013-14 State budget replaced the previous K-12 finance system with a new formula known as the Local Control Funding Formula (the "LCFF"). Under the LCFF, revenue limits and most state categorical programs were eliminated. School districts instead receive funding based on the demographic profile of the students they serve and gain greater flexibility to use these funds to improve outcomes of students. The LCFF creates funding targets based on student characteristics. For school districts and charter schools, the LCFF funding targets consist of grade span-specific base grants plus supplemental and concentration grants that reflect student demographic factors. The LCFF includes the following components:

- A base grant for each local education agency per unit of ADA, which varies with respect to different grade spans. The base grant is \$2,375 more than the average revenue limit provided prior to LCFF implementation. The base grants will be adjusted upward each year to reflect cost-of-living increases. In addition, grades K-3 and 9-12 are subject to adjustments of 10.4% and 2.6%, respectively, to cover the costs of class size reduction in grades K-3 and the provision of career technical education in grades 9-12.
- A 20% supplemental grant for English learners, students from low-income families and foster youth to reflect increased costs associated with educating those students.

- An additional concentration grant of up to 65% (which was increased from 50% as part of the State's trailer bill to the 2021-22 State Budget - Assembly Bill 130) of a local education agency's base grant, based on the number of English learners, students from low-income families and foster youth served by the local agency that comprise more than 55% of enrollment.
- An economic recovery target to ensure that almost every local education agency receives at least their pre-recession funding level, adjusted for inflation, at full implementation of the LCFF.

The LCFF was implemented for fiscal year 2013-14 and was phased in gradually. Beginning in fiscal year 2013-14, an annual transition adjustment was required to be calculated for each school district, equal to each district's proportionate share of the appropriations included in the State budget (based on the percentage of each district's students who are low-income, English learners, and foster youth ("Targeted Students")), to close the gap between the prior-year funding level and the target allocation at full implementation of LCFF. In each year, districts had the same proportion of their respective funding gaps closed, with dollar amounts varying depending on the size of a district's funding gap. The legislation implementing LCFF also included a "hold harmless" provision which provided that a district or charter school would maintain total revenue limit and categorical funding at least equal to its 2012-13 level, unadjusted for changes in ADA or cost of living adjustments.

In 2021, legislation was passed that requires school districts operating a kindergarten program to also provide a transitional kindergarten ("**TK**") program for all 4-year-old children by fiscal year 2025–26.

Funding levels used in the LCFF entitlement calculations for fiscal year 2024-25 are set forth in the following table.

Fiscal Year 2024-25 Base Grant Funding\* Under LCFF by Grade Span

Entitlement Factor	TK/K-3	4-6	7-8	9-12	
A. 2023-24 Base Grant per ADA	\$9,919	\$10,069	\$10,367	\$12,015	_
B. 2024-25 COLA for LCFF (A x 1.07%)	\$106	\$108	\$111	\$129	
C. 2024-25 Base Grant per ADA before Grade Span Adjustments (A+B)	\$10,025	\$10,177	\$10,478	\$12,144	
D. Grade Span Adjustments (TK-3: C x 10.4%; 9-12: C x 2.6%)	\$1,043	n/a	n/a	\$316	
E. 2024-25 Base Grant/Adjusted Base Grant per ADA (C + D)	\$11,068	\$10,177	\$10,478	\$12,460	

<sup>\*</sup>Add-ons to the Base Grant, as may be applicable, are: (1) Supplemental Grant: For the supplemental grant funding entitlement, for each grade span, the calculation is the base grant or adjusted base grant per ADA, times total funded ADA, times Unduplicated Pupil Percentage, times 20%, (2) Concentration Grant: For the concentration grant funding entitlement, the calculation is the base grant or adjusted base grant per ADA, times total funded ADA, times portion of Unduplicated Pupil Percentage that exceeds 55%, times 65%, and (3) Transitional Kindergarten Add-On: For the TK add-on funding, the amount is the rate of \$3,077 times the school district's current year TK ADA.

Source: California Department of Education.

The LCFF includes an accountability component. Districts are required to increase or improve services for English language learners, low income, and foster youth students in proportion to supplemental and concentration grant funding received. All school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools are required to develop and adopt local control and accountability plans, which identify local goals in areas that are priorities for the State, including pupil achievement, parent engagement, and school climate.

County superintendents review and provide support to the districts under their jurisdiction, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction (the "State Superintendent") performs a corresponding role for county offices of education. In addition, the State Budget for fiscal year 2013-14 created the California Collaborative for Education Excellence to advise and assist school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools in achieving the goals identified in their plans. Under the LCFF and related legislation, the State will continue to measure student achievement through statewide assessments, produce an Academic Performance Index for schools and subgroups of students, determine the contents of the school accountability report card, and establish policies to implement the federal accountability system.

## **District Accounting Practices**

The accounting practices of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles in accordance with policies and procedures of the California School Accounting Manual. This manual, according to Section 41010 of the California Education Code, is to be followed by all California school districts.

District accounting is organized on the basis of funds, with each group consisting of a separate accounting entity. The major fund classification is the general fund which accounts for all financial resources not requiring a special fund placement. The District's fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

District expenditures are accrued at the end of the fiscal year to reflect the receipt of goods and services in that year. Revenues generally are recorded on a cash basis, except for items that are susceptible to accrual (measurable and/or available to finance operations). Current taxes are considered susceptible to accrual. Revenues from specific state and federally funded projects are recognized when qualified expenditures have been incurred. State block grant apportionments are accrued to the extent that they are measurable and predictable. The State Department of Education sends the District updated information from time to time explaining the acceptable accounting treatment of revenue and expenditure categories.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") published its Statement No. 34 "Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments" on June 30, 1999. Statement No. 34 provides guidelines to auditors, state and local governments and special purpose governments such as school districts and public utilities, on new requirements for financial reporting for all governmental agencies in the United States. Generally, the basic financial statements and required supplementary information should include (i) Management's Discussion and Analysis; (ii) financial statements prepared using the economic measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, (iii) fund financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual method of accounting and (iv) required supplementary information.

#### **Financial Statements**

General. The District's general fund finances the legally authorized activities of the District for which restricted funds are not provided. General fund revenues are derived from such sources as State school fund apportionments, taxes, use of money and property, and aid from other governmental agencies. The District's June 30, 2024 Audited Financial Statements were prepared by Nigro & Nigro, Murrieta, California, and are attached hereto as Appendix B. Audited financial statements for the District for prior fiscal years are on file with the District at the Superintendent's office. The District has not requested, and the auditor has not provided, any review or update of such financial statements in connection with inclusion in this Official Statement. Copies of such financial statements will be mailed to prospective investors and their representatives upon written request to the District. The District may impose a charge for copying, mailing and handling.

General Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. The District's general fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The following tables shows the audited income and expense statements for the District for the fiscal years 2019-20 through 2023-24. Due to a change in format the information is presented in two tables.

GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE Fiscal Years 2019-20 through 2021-22 (Audited)

	Audited 2019-20	Audited 2020-21	Audited 2021-22
SOURCES			
LCFF Sources	\$276,642,774	\$273,739,162	\$294,188,626
Federal Revenue	16,574,473	40,981,415	35,389,544
Other State Revenue	54,711,006	67,830,890	82,324,107
Other Local Revenue	18,829,057	14,123,812	17,429,588
Total Revenue Limit	366,757,310	396,675,279	429,331,865
EXPENDITURES			
Certificated Salaries	155,797,743	150,480,840	155,784,196
Classified Salaries	53,204,857	49,269,765	51,966,641
Employee Benefits	102,747,930	98,388,178	104,018,742
Books and Supplies	8,877,106	11,399,985	20,676,153
Services, Other Operating	, ,	, ,	, ,
Expenses	39,076,179	37,814,803	48,278,549
Other Outgo	1,983,411	1,289,322	1,010,866
Capital Outlay	3,124,809	4,234,603	3,913,398
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	2,020,654	1,735,149	2,825,000
Interest	980,773	1,025,787	774,425
Total Expenditures	367,813,462	355,638,432	389,247,190
Excess of (Deficiency) of	(4.050.450)	44 000 047	40.004.075
Revenues Over Expenditures	(1,056,152)	41,036,847	40,084,675
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Operating Transfers In	542,665	167,994	449,571
Operating Transfers Out	(860,764)		
Total Other Financing Sources (uses)	(318,099)	167,994	449,571
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,374,251)	41,204,841	40,534,246
Fund Balance, July 1	49,490,107	48,115,856	89,320,697
Fund Balance, June 30	\$48,115,856	\$89,320,697†	\$129,854,943†

<sup>†</sup>The primary cause of the increased fund balance is due to increase in grants and contributions from federal and State authorities.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

# GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 (Audited)

	Audited 2022-23	Audited 2023-24
SOURCES		
LCFF Sources	\$308,423,367	\$338,666,477
Federal Revenue	34,382,063	47,446,034
Other State Revenue	125,806,461	86,285,225
Other Local Revenue	22,418,271	30,903,325
Total Revenue Limit	491,030,162	503,301,061
EXPENDITURES		
Current:		
Instruction	267,616,019	297,349,935
Instruction-Related Services:		
Supervision of instruction	17,844,877	19,428,561
Instructional library, media and		, ,
tech.	3,148,494	3,022,564
School site administration	27,676,025	31,621,857
Pupil support services:		, ,
Home-to-school transportation	11,027,619	13,171,099
Food services	237,385	1,398,535
All other pupil services	29,464,149	32,796,578
Ancillary services	2,451,364	2,400,676
Community services	426	379
General administration services:		
Data processing services	6,612,004	7,760,576
Other general administration	17,918,693	18,884,302
Transfers of indirect costs	(763,804)	(808,603)
Plant services	44,202,942	47,902,228
Capital outlay	4,241,877	5,304,274
Intergovernmental	1,025,619	1,006,443
Debt service:		
Principal	2,690,000	3,215,199
Interest	636,000	624,337
Total Expenditures	436,029,689	485,078,940
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Excess of (Deficiency) of Revenues	EE 000 472	10 000 101
Over Expenditures	55,000,473	18,222,121
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		
Interfund Transfers In		
Interfund Transfers Out	(41,450)	(55,727)
Total Other Financing Sources		<u> </u>
(uses)	(41,450)	(55,727)
Net Change in Fund Balance	54,959,023	18,166,394
Fund Balance, July 1	129,854,943	184,813,966
Adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>		13,631,634
Restated Fund Balance	<b></b>	198,445,600
Fund Balance, June 30	\$184,813,966	\$216,611,994

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjustment to recognize lease assets, liabilities and receivables at June 30, 2023 and adjustment to 2021-22 LCFF accrual. Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

### **District Budget and Interim Financial Reporting**

**Budgeting and Interim Reporting Procedures.** State law requires school districts to maintain a balanced budget in each fiscal year. The State Department of Education imposes a uniform budgeting and accounting format for school districts.

Under current law, a school district governing board must adopt and file with the county superintendent of schools a tentative budget by July 1 in each fiscal year. The District is under the jurisdiction of the Contra Costa County Superintendent of Schools (the **"County Superintendent"**). The County Superintendent is separate from the County, and is not an official of the County.

The County Superintendent must review and approve, conditionally approve or disapprove the budget no later than August 15. The County Superintendent is required to examine the adopted budget for compliance with the standards and criteria adopted by the State Board of Education and identify technical corrections necessary to bring the budget into compliance with the established standards. If the budget is disapproved, it is returned to the District with recommendations for revision. The District is then required to revise the budget, hold a public hearing thereon, adopt the revised budget and file it with the County Superintendent no later than September 8. Pursuant to State law, if a budget is disapproved, the County Superintendent has available various remedies by which to impose and enforce a budget that complies with State criteria, depending on the circumstances. After approval of an adopted budget, the school district's administration may submit budget revisions for governing board approval.

Subsequent to approval, the County Superintendent will monitor each district under its jurisdiction throughout the fiscal year pursuant to its adopted budget to determine on an ongoing basis if the district can meet its current or subsequent year financial obligations. If the County Superintendent determines that a district cannot meet its current or subsequent year obligations, the County Superintendent will notify the district's governing board of the determination and may then do either or both of the following: (a) assign a fiscal advisor to assist the district to meet those obligations or (b) if a study and recommendations are made and a district fails to take appropriate action to meet its financial obligations, the County Superintendent will so notify the State Superintendent, and then may do any or all of the following for the remainder of the fiscal year: (i) request additional information regarding the district's budget and operations; (ii) after also consulting with the district's board, develop and impose revisions to the budget that will enable the district to meet its financial obligations; and (iii) stay or rescind any action inconsistent with such revisions. However, the County Superintendent may not abrogate any provision of a collective bargaining agreement that was entered into prior to the date upon which the County Superintendent assumed authority.

A State law adopted in 1991 ("A.B. 1200") imposed additional financial reporting requirements on school districts, and established guidelines for emergency State aid apportionments. Under the provisions of A.B. 1200, each school district is required to file interim certifications with the County Superintendent (on December 15, for the period ended October 31, and by mid-March for the period ended January 31) as to its ability to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the then-current fiscal year and, based on current forecasts, for the subsequent fiscal year. The County Superintendent reviews the certification and issues either a positive, negative or qualified certification. A positive certification is assigned to any school district that will meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year and subsequent two fiscal years. A negative certification is assigned to any school district that is deemed unable to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the current fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year. A qualified

certification is assigned to any school district that may not meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year or two subsequent fiscal years.

Under California law, any school district and office of education that has a qualified or negative certification in any fiscal year may not issue, in that fiscal year or in the next succeeding fiscal year, certificates of participation, tax anticipation notes, revenue bonds or any other debt instruments that do not require the approval of the voters of the district, unless the applicable county superintendent of schools determines that the district's repayment of indebtedness is probable. This prohibition does not apply to voter-approved general obligation bonds, such as the Bonds described in this Official Statement.

**District Budget Approval/Disapproval and Certification History.** In the past five fiscal years, the County Superintendent has approved each of the District's adopted budgets, and the District has certified each of its interim reports as positive; *except however*, the First and Second Interim Reports for fiscal year 2020-21, which were certified as qualified. The District's most recent interim report, the Second Interim Report for fiscal year 2024-25, was certified as positive by the District Board on March 19, 2025.

As a result of the qualified interim reports during fiscal year 2020-21, the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team ("FCMAT") was automatically engaged to perform a fiscal health risk analysis to determine the level of risk of insolvency. As a result of this assessment and recommendations which were included in a report dated July 29, 2021, the District worked to resolve areas and practices needing improvement particularly with a structural deficit, including program and staffing reductions and engaging a demographer to help in planning.

In connection with the positive certification of the District's Second Interim Report for fiscal year 2024-25, the District notes that the minimum required reserves will be met based on current projections for the current and next two fiscal years, but notes in the Second Interim that adjustments may be needed in fiscal year 2026-27, which will be further evaluated during the 2025-26 budget adoption process.

The Second Interim identifies several cost-containment measures and steps to ensure long-term budget stability which the District will be considering as part of the fiscal year 2025-26 budget adoption cycle.

Copies of the District's budget, interim reports and certifications, including the FCMAT Report, may be obtained upon request from the District Office at 1936 Carlotta Drive, Concord, California 94519: telephone (925) 682-8000. The District may impose charges for copying, mailing and handling.

General Fund for Fiscal Year 2024-25 (Budgeted and Second Interim Projections). The following table shows a summary of the general fund for fiscal year 2024-25 (Budgeted and Second Interim Projections approved on March 19, 2025).

# REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal Year 2024-25 (Budgeted and Second Interim Projections) Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Revenues	Budgeted 2024-25	Second Interim 2024-25
LCFF Revenues	\$337,135,855	\$338,723,035
Federal Revenues	24,648,917	22,275,384
Other State Revenues	89,293,529	88,454,032
Other Local Revenues	21,964,276	26,871,983
Total Revenues	473,042,578	476,324,435
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Certificated Salaries	195,658,504	192,609,380
Classified Salaries	76,776,140	74,199,877
Employee Benefits	146,649,607	148,645,104
Books and Supplies	52,446,473	29,483,609
Contract Services & Operating Exp.	73,663,890	80,419,423
Capital Outlay	2,201,499	2,125,119
Other Outgo (excluding indirect costs)	1,075,372	675,372
Other Outgo – Transfers of Indirect Costs	(1,073,270)	(1,080,814)
Total Expenditures	547,398,215	527,077,070
Excess of Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures	(74,355,637)	(50,752,635)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Operating transfers in		
Operating transfers out		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Net change in fund balance(2)	(74,355,637)	(50,752,635)
Fund Balance, July 1	199,975,989	213,216,542
Fund Balance, June 30	\$125,620,352	\$162,463,906

<sup>(1)</sup> Columns may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

**District Reserves.** State-Required Reserve. The District's ending fund balance is the accumulation of surpluses from prior years. This fund balance is used to meet the State's minimum required reserve of 3% of expenditures, plus any other allocation or reserve which might be approved as an expenditure by the District in the future. As of the Second Interim Report for fiscal year 2024-25, the District anticipates meeting the 3% required reserve for economic uncertainties while maintaining its ability to fulfill financial obligations in the current fiscal year and through fiscal year 2026-27 based on its multi-year projections. The District notes in the Second Interim report that unrestricted deficits are projected in the current and next two fiscal years. Although no reductions are currently planned within the multi-year projections at the time of Second Interim, the District notes that as of a fourth year outlook, there is a possibility that

<sup>(2)</sup> Spend down of fund balance includes spend-down of restricted one-time funding due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The fiscal year 2024-25 ending balance is projected to be approximately 30.8% of total expenditures. Historically the audited actual ending fund balance has outperformed adopted budgets.

adjustments will be needed in fiscal year 2026-27 which will be examined more closely at the time of the 2025-26 budget adoption process.

State Reserve Cap. Under State law (Education Code Section 42127.01), there are certain restrictions on the amount of reserves that can be maintained by school districts under certain circumstances. This reserve cap requirement does not apply to small school districts (ADA of fewer than 2,501 students) or Basic Aid school districts. When applicable, the reserve cap requires that a school district's adopted or revised budget shall not contain a combined assigned or unassigned ending general fund balance of more than 10% of those funds. The applicability of the reserve cap is based on the balance in the State's Public School System Stabilization Account and is triggered in a fiscal year when the balance is equal to or exceeds 3% of the combined total of general fund revenues appropriated for school districts. A county superintendent of schools may grant a school district under its jurisdiction an exemption from the requirements for up to two consecutive fiscal years within a three-year period if the school district provides documentation indicating that extraordinary fiscal circumstances, including, but not limited to, multi-year infrastructure or technology projects, substantiate the need for a combined assigned or unassigned ending general fund balance that is in excess of the reserve cap. The reserve cap was triggered in fiscal years 2022-23 and 2023-24 but was not triggered for fiscal year 2024-25 and is not projected to be triggered in fiscal year 2025-26.

### **Average Daily Attendance - LCFF Funding Trends**

**LCFF Funding Trends.** As described herein, prior to fiscal year 2013-14, school districts in California derived most State funding based on a formula that considered a revenue limit per unit of ADA. With the implementation of the LCFF, commencing in fiscal year 2013-14, school districts receive base funding based on ADA, and may also be entitled to supplemental funding, concentration grants and funding based on an economic recovery target. The following table sets forth the District's funding trends from State sources since implementation of LCFF.

ADA AND LCFF FUNDING
Fiscal Years 2020-21 through 2024-25 (Projected)
Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Fiscal Year	Funded ADA	Total LCFF Funding
2020-21	29,122	\$273,739,162
2021-22	26,413	294,188,626
2022-23	26,586	308,423,367
2023-24	27,379	338,666,477
2024-25*	27,426	338,723,035

<sup>\*</sup>Second Interim.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

**Unduplicated Pupil Count.** The District's unduplicated pupil percentage ("**UPP**") for purposes of supplemental and concentration grant funding under LCFF is approximately [[[47.9%]]] in fiscal year 2024-25. [[[The District does not qualify for concentration grant funding under LCFF because its UPP is below 55%.]]]

#### **Revenue Sources**

The District categorizes general fund revenues into four sources, being LCFF, Federal Revenues, Other State Revenues and Local Revenues. Each of these revenue sources is described below.

**LCFF Sources**. District funding is provided by a mix of (1) local property taxes and (2) State apportionments of funding under the LCFF. Generally, the State apportionments will amount to the difference between a district's LCFF funding entitlement and its local property tax revenues.

Beginning in 1978-79, Proposition 13 and its implementing legislation provided for each county to levy (except for levies to support prior voter-approved indebtedness) and collect all property taxes, and prescribed how levies on county-wide property values are to be shared with local taxing entities within each county.

The principal component of local revenues is the school district's property tax revenues, i.e., a district's share of the local 1% property tax, received pursuant to Sections 75 and following and Sections 95 and following of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. Education Code Section 42238(h) itemizes the local revenues that are counted towards the LCFF amount before calculating how much the State must provide in equalization aid. Historically, the more local property taxes a district received, the less State equalization aid it is entitled to.

**Federal Revenues**. The federal government provides funding for several District programs, including programs under Every Student Succeeds Act, the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, and specialized programs such as Drug Free Schools.

In January 2025, the federal government announced possible cuts to federal funding for educational agencies. President Trump has also signed an executive order aimed at terminating the United States Department of Education. The District cannot predict the types of possible federal funding cuts that may occur, the extent of such cuts, if any, and the impact on the District's finances or operations as a result of a termination of the Department of Education.

**Other State Revenues**. As discussed above, the District receives State apportionment of basic and equalization aid in an amount equal to the difference between the District's revenue limit and its property tax revenues. In addition to such apportionment revenue, the District receives other State revenues.

The District receives State aid from the California State Lottery (the "Lottery"), which was established by a constitutional amendment approved in the November 1984 general election. Lottery revenues must be used for the education of students and cannot be used for non-instructional purposes such as real property acquisition, facility construction, or the financing of research. Moreover, State Proposition 20 approved in March 2000 requires that 50% of the increase in Lottery revenues over 1997-98 levels must be restricted to use on instruction material.

For additional discussion of State aid to school districts, see "STATE FUNDING OF EDUCATION; RECENT STATE BUDGETS."

### **District Retirement Systems**

Qualified employees of the District are covered under multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans maintained by agencies of the State. Certificated employees are members of the State Teachers' Retirement System ("STRS") and classified employees are members of the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"). Both STRS and PERS are operated on a Statewide basis. The information set forth below regarding the STRS and PERS programs, other than the information provided by the District regarding its annual contributions thereto, has been obtained from publicly available sources which are believed to be reliable but are not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness, and should not be construed as a representation by either the District or the Underwriter.

**STRS**. All full-time certificated employees participate in STRS, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer contributory public employee retirement system. The plan provides retirement and disability benefits and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. The plan is funded through a combination of investment earnings and statutorily set contributions from three sources: employees, employers, and the State. The benefit provisions and contribution amounts are established by State laws, as amended from time to time.

Prior to fiscal year 2014-15, contribution rates were constant and not subject to annual variations. K-14 school districts were required by statute to contribute 8.25% of eligible salary expenditures, and participants contributed 8% of their respective salaries. In September 2013, however, STRS projected that the plan would be depleted in 31 years if existing contribution rates continued and other actuarial assumptions were realized, largely due to significant investment losses.

Assembly Bill 1469 was adopted as part of the State's fiscal year 2014-15 budget ("**AB** 1469"), aimed at fully funding the unfunded actuarial obligation of STRS with respect to service credited to member of STRS prior to July 1, 2014, within 32 years, by increasing contribution rates of members, K-14 school district employers, and the State. Under AB 1469, employer contributions were proposed to steadily increase over seven years. However, several modifications to the schedule were undertaken in connection with State budgets. Contribution rates for the past several years are summarized pursuant to the following schedule:

# STRS EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES Effective Dates of July 1, 2020 through July 1, 2024

	Employer
Effective Date	Contribution Rate
July 1, 2020	16.15%
July 1, 2021	16.92
July 1, 2022	19.10
July 1, 2023	19.10
July 1, 2024	19.10

Source: STRS.

The State also continues to contribute to STRS, and its contribution rate in fiscal year 2024-25 is 8.328%.

The District's recent contributions to STRS including the current budgeted fiscal year are set forth in the following table. These contributions represent 100% of the required contribution for each year.

# STRS Contributions Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Fiscal Year	Amount		
2020-21	\$23,273,689		
2021-22	25,445,548		
2022-23	29,979,972		
2023-24	32,486,505		
2024-25 <sup>(1)</sup>	52,011,089		

<sup>(1)</sup> Second interim projection. Budgeting documents include State on-behalf contributions. Prior years audited figures are net of State contributions and as such the figures are not directly comparable.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

The STRS defined benefit program continues to have an unfunded actuarial liability estimated at approximately \$86.6 billion, on a market value of assets basis, as of June 30, 2023, which is the date of the last actuarial valuation.

**PERS**. All full-time and some part-time classified employees participate in PERS, an agent multiple-employer contributory public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating public entities within the State. PERS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The District is part of a cost-sharing pool within PERS known as the "Schools Pool." Benefit provisions are established by State statutes, as legislatively amended. Contributions to PERS are made by employers and employees. Each fiscal year, employers are required to contribute an amount based on an actuarially determined employer rate, and employees make contributions which vary based on their date of hire.

Like the STRS program, the PERS program has experienced an unfunded liability in recent years. To address this issue, the PERS board has taken a number of actions, including changes to the PERS amortization and smoothing policy intended to reduce volatility in employer contribution rates and adopting changes in actuarial assumptions. In November 2015, PERS adopted a funding risk mitigation policy incrementally lowering its discount rate (its assumed rate of investment return) in years of good investment returns, to help pay down the pension fund's unfunded liability, and provide greater predictability and less volatility in contribution rates for employers. SB 90, and Assembly Bill 84/Senate Bill 111 ("AB 84") of June 2020, directed contributions of \$430 million and \$330 million in satisfaction of portions of employer contribution rates in fiscal years 2020-21 and 2021-22, respectively. Recent employer contribution rates are set forth in the following table.

# EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES (PERS) Fiscal Years 2019-20 through 2024-25<sup>(1)</sup>

Fiscal Year	Employer Contribution Rate <sup>(1)</sup>
2019-20	19.721%
2020-21	20.700
2021-22	22.910
2022-23	25.370
2023-24	26.680
2024-25	27.050

<sup>(1)</sup> Expressed as a percentage of covered payroll.

Source: PERS

The District's employer contributions to PERS for recent fiscal years are set forth in the following table.

PERS Contributions

Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Fiscal Year	Amount		
2020-21	\$10,095,538		
2021-22	11,682,718		
2022-23	14,721,484		
2023-24	17,042,424		
2024-25 <sup>(1)</sup>	18,868,090		

(1) Second interim projection.

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

PERS continues to have an unfunded liability which, on a market value of assets basis, was approximately \$40.6 billion (on a market value of assets basis) as of June 30, 2023, which is the date of the last actuarial valuation.

California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013. On September 12, 2012, the Governor signed into law the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 ("PEPRA"), which impacted various aspects of public retirement systems in the State, including the STRS and PERS programs. In general, PEPRA (i) increased the retirement age for public employees depending on job function, (ii) capped the annual pension benefit payouts for public employees hired after January 1, 2013, (iii) required public employees hired after January 1, 2013 to pay at least 50% of the costs of their pension benefits (as described in more detail below), (iv) required final compensation for public employees hired after January 1, 2013 to be determined based on the highest average annual pensionable compensation earned over a period of at least 36 consecutive months, and (v) attempted to address other perceived abuses in the public retirement systems in the State. PEPRA applies to all public employee retirement systems in the State, except the retirement systems of the University of California, and charter cities and charter counties whose pension plans are not governed by State law. PEPRA's provisions went into effect on January 1, 2013 with respect to new State, school, and city and local agency employees hired on or after that date; existing employees who are members of employee associations, including employee associations of the District, have a five-year window to negotiate compliance with PEPRA through collective bargaining.

PERS has predicted that the impact of PEPRA on employees and employers, including the District and other employers in the PERS system, will vary, based on each employer's current level of benefits. As a result of the implementation of PEPRA, new members must pay at least 50% of the normal costs of the plan, which can fluctuate from year to year. To the extent that the new formulas lower retirement benefits, employer contribution rates could decrease over time as current employees retire and employees subject to the new formulas make up a larger percentage of the workforce. This change would, in some circumstances, result in a lower retirement benefit for employees than they currently earn.

With respect to the STRS pension program, employees hired after January 1, 2013 will pay the greater of either (1) fifty percent of the normal cost of their retirement plan, rounded to the nearest one-quarter percent, or (2) the contribution rate paid by then-current members (i.e., employees in the STRS plan as of January 1, 2013). The member contribution rate could be increased from this level through collective bargaining or may be adjusted based on other factors. Employers will pay at least the normal cost rate, after subtracting the member's contribution.

The District is unable to predict the amount of future contributions it will have to make to PERS and STRS as a result of the implementation of PEPRA, and as a result of negotiations with its employee associations, or, notwithstanding the adoption of PEPRA, resulting from any legislative changes regarding the PERS and STRS employer contributions that may be adopted in the future.

Additional Information - STRS and PERS. Additional information regarding the District's retirement programs is available in Note 13 to the District's audited financial statements attached hereto as APPENDIX B. In addition, both STRS and PERS issue separate comprehensive financial reports that include financial statements and required supplemental information. Copies of such reports may be obtained from STRS and PERS, respectively, as follows: (i) STRS, P.O. Box 15275, Sacramento, California 95851-0275; and (ii) PERS, 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California 95811.

More information regarding STRS and PERS can also be obtained at their websites, www.calstrs.com and www.calpers.ca.gov, respectively. The references to these Internet websites are shown for reference and convenience only and the information contained on such websites is not incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. The information contained on these websites may not be current and has not been reviewed by the District or the Underwriter for accuracy or completeness.

#### **Other Post-Employment Retirement Benefits**

The Plan Generally. District provides healthcare benefits to eligible employees who retire from the District, as part of a single-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan (the "Plan"). The Plan is administered by the District and allows employees who retire after having achieved retirement eligibility requirements to continue receiving medical coverage. The benefits from the Plan are available to Mount Diablo Educators Association ("MDEA") employees, classified employees (Including Local 1 CST, Teamsters 856 and CSEA Employees), management & confidential employees, psychologists, and supervisors. The District's Board of Education has the authority to establish or amend the benefit terms offered by the Plan. The Board of Education also retains the authority to establish the requirements for paying the Plan benefits as they come due. As of June 30, 2023, the District has not accumulated assets in a qualified trust for the purpose of paying benefits related to the District's total OPEB liability, and the plan does not issue separate financial statements. Membership of the Plan as of June 30,

2024 consisted of 1,462 retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits and 3,385 active Plan members.

Benefits Provided. In accordance with contracts between the District and the respective employee groups, eligible employees are entitled to receive certain medical benefits through the Plan. Benefits provided vary depending on employee group, age at retirement, and number of years of service to the District: MDEA Employees The District pays for the cost of retiree plus one eligible dependent (depending on age of dependent at retirement) and all dependents for dental coverage for a period of 10 years or to the retiree's attainment of age 65, if earlier. The District's pre-65 contribution is capped at the current Kaiser HMO rate for retirees in the service area and the actual premium rate for retirees outside the service area. Upon reaching age 65, the District pays the CalPERS minimum required contribution only. An eligible retiree can elect additional dependent coverage but will be required to pay any additional costs above the District contribution. Dental benefits are only provided to eligible employees retiring prior to age Upon the death of the retiree, a surviving spouse can continue medical coverage through the CalPERS Health Program and receive a District contribution through the retiree age 65. For continuation after the retirees age 65, the District's contribution is equal to the CalPERS minimum required contribution. All dental coverage ceases when the retiree attains or would have attained age 65.

Classified Employees (including Local 1 CST, Teamsters 856 and CSEA members). The District pays for the cost of retiree only coverage for a period of 10 years or to the retiree's attainment of age 65, if earlier. If retiring on or after July 1, 2007 but prior to July 1, 2015, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at the 2010 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2015 but prior to July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at 80% of the 2015 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is subject to a maximum of the Kaiser rate. Upon reaching age 65, the District pays the CalPERS minimum required contribution only. An eligible retiree can elect additional dependent coverage but will be required to pay any additional costs above the District contribution. Upon the death of the retiree, a surviving spouse can continue medical coverage through CalPERS Health Program and receive a District contribution equal to the CalPERS minimum required contribution.

Management and Confidential Employees. The District pays for the cost of retiree plus one eligible dependent (depending on age of dependent at retirement) and all dependents for dental coverage for a period of 10 years or to the retiree's attainment of age 65, if earlier. The District's pre-65 contribution is capped at the current Kaiser HMO rate for retirees in the service area and the actual premium rate for retirees outside the service area. Upon reaching age 65, the District pays the CalPERS minimum required contribution only. An eligible retiree can elect additional dependent coverage but will be required to pay any additional costs above the District contribution. Dental benefits are only provided to eligible employees retiring prior to age 64. Upon the death of the retiree, a surviving spouse can continue medical coverage through the CalPERS Health Program and receive a District contribution through the retiree age 65. For continuation after the retirees age 65, the District's contribution is equal to the CalPERS minimum required contribution. All dental coverage ceases when the retiree attains or would have attained age 65.

**Psychologists.** The District pays for the cost of retiree only coverage for a period of 10 years or to the retiree's attainment of age 65, if earlier. If retiring on or after July 1, 2007 but prior to July 1, 2015, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at the 2010 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2015 but prior to July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at 80% of the 2015 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is subject to a maximum of the Kaiser rate. Upon reaching age 65, the District pays the CalPERS minimum required contribution only. An eligible retiree can elect additional

dependent coverage but will be required to pay any additional costs above the District contribution. Upon the death of the retiree, a surviving spouse can continue medical coverage through CalPERS Health Program and receive a District contribution equal to the CalPERS minimum required contribution.

Supervisors. The District pays for the cost of retiree only coverage for a period of 10 years or to the retiree's attainment of age 65, if earlier. If retiring on or after July 1, 2007 but prior to July 1, 2015, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at the 2010 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2015 but prior to July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is capped at 80% of the 2015 Kaiser HMO rate. If retiring on or after July 1, 2016, the District's pre-65 contribution is subject to a maximum of the Kaiser rate. Upon reaching age 65, the District pays the CalPERS minimum required contribution only. An eligible retiree can elect additional dependent coverage but will be required to pay any additional costs above the District contribution. Upon the death of the retiree, a surviving spouse can continue medical coverage through CalPERS Health Program and receive a District contribution equal to the CalPERS minimum required contribution.

**Actuarial assumptions.** The District had an actuarial valuation performed for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Changes in assumptions in the June 30, 2022 actuarial measurement reflected in the District's audited financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2022 include a change in discount rate, an update to the inflation rate, and an update to the salary increase. See Note 7 in Appendix B hereto.

**Changes in Total OPEB Liability.** The following table illustrates the District's OPEB liability and related ratios, as shown in the District's audited financial statements as of June 30, 2022, is as follows:

# Mt. Diablo Unified School District Changes in the Total OPEB Liability June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024

\$198,225,154
11,289,910
7,334,026
(6,747,884)
<u>(5,875,799)</u>
6,000,253
\$204,225,407

Source: Mt. Diablo Unified School District Audit Report.

**OPEB Expense.** For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized an OPEB expense of \$15,076,078.

For more information regarding the District's OPEB and assumptions used in its most recent actuarial study, see Note 8 of Appendix B to the Official Statement.

## **Existing Debt Obligations**

The District has never defaulted on the payment of principal or interest on any of its indebtedness.

**General Obligation Bonds.** The District has general obligation bonds currently outstanding, as summarized in the following table.

# Summary of Outstanding General Obligation Bond Debt Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Bond Issue	Date of Issue	Final Maturity	Original Principal Amount	Amount Outstanding 4/1/25
2010 Measure C Bonds				
2010 Series A <sup>(1)</sup>	09/30/2010	08/01/2035	\$50,456,475	\$90,045,000
2010 Series B (Taxable NCREB)	09/30/2010	08/01/2027	59,540,000	17,460,000
2011 Series C (Taxable QSCBs)	04/12/2011	08/01/2025	3,865,000	1,030,000
2015 Series F	07/15/2015	08/01/2025	38,500,000	300,000
2016 Series G	11/16/2016	08/01/2031	38,500,000	25,880,000
2018 Measure J Bonds				
Series B	04/06/2022	08/01/2042	75,000,000	61,005,000
Refunding Bonds				
2021 Series A	10/07/2021	08/01/2031	\$28,270,000	\$9,275,000
2022 Series B	05/05/2022	08/01/2037	147,145,000	132,760,000
2023 Refunding Bonds	05/04/2023	08/01/2031	36,450,000	35,025,000
Combined Totals:			Total Outstanding:	\$372,780,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Expected to be refinanced in whole or part with the proceeds of the Bonds described herein. Outstanding principal represents the conversion value at the August 1, 2022 conversion date. Includes the Refunded Bonds. See "THE REFINANCING PLAN" in the front section of this Official Statement.

**Construction Loan.** In February 2003, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pittsburg made an interest-free loan of \$6,178,936 to the District to provide a portion of financing for the construction of an elementary school within the City of Pittsburg. The source of repayment is 24% of all impact fees collected annually by the District in the City of Pittsburg. The District makes semi-annual payments on June 1 and January 1 until the earlier of June 1, 2040 or when the loan is paid off. The loan balance at June 30, 2024, was \$2,946,435.

Certificates of Participation. In October 2018, the District caused the execution and delivery of 2018 Certificates of Participation ("2018 COPS") to finance the improvement of certain educational facilities of the District. The 2018 COPs are secured by lease payments which are payable from any source of available funds of the District, and includes a pledge of Surplus Special Tax Revenues, which are surplus special tax revenues derived from the District's Community Facilities District No. 1 (the "Community Facilities District"), which is coterminous with the boundaries of the District. At a special election held on November 7, 1989, two-thirds or more of the voters of the District approved Measure A ("Measure A"), authorizing the levy and collection of a special tax at the rate of \$67 per taxable unit (the "Special Taxes") in the Community Facilities District. The 2018 COPs bear interest at 5.0% per annum, and mature through September 1, 2026. The balance as of April 1, 2025 is \$6,655,000.

**Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan.** Effective July 2020, the District established a Supplemental Retirement Plan ("**SERP**") for certain qualifying employees. Under the terms of the SERP, the District will make annual contributions of \$1,733,320 to the plan for the future benefits to be paid to qualifying employees. Payments are made equally over a period of five fiscal years, for a total obligation of \$8,666,600. At June 30, 2024, the outstanding balance of future District contributions was \$1,733,320.

#### **Investment of District Funds**

In accordance with Government Code Section 53600 *et seq.*, the Contra Costa County Treasurer manages funds deposited with it by the District. The County is required to invest such funds in accordance with California Government Code Sections 53601 *et seq.* In addition, counties are required to establish their own investment policies which may impose limitations beyond those required by the Government Code. See "APPENDIX G – CONTRA COSTA COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT REPORT."

# **Effect of State Budget on Revenues**

Public school districts in California are dependent on revenues from the State for a large portion of their operating budgets. The primary source of funding for school districts is LCFF funding, which is derived from a combination of State funds and local property taxes (see "— Education Funding Generally" above). State funds typically make up the majority of a district's LCFF funding. School districts also receive funding from the State for some specialized programs such as special education.

The availability of State funds for public education is a function of constitutional provisions affecting school district revenues and expenditures (see "CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS" below), the condition of the State economy (which affects total revenue available to the State general fund), and the annual State budget process. The District cannot predict how education funding may further be changed in the future, or the state of the economy, which in turn can impact the amounts of funds available from the State for education funding. See "STATE FUNDING OF EDUCATION; RECENT STATE BUDGETS" below.

## STATE FUNDING OF EDUCATION; RECENT STATE BUDGETS

The information in this section concerning the State's budget or budgets has been compiled from publicly-available information provided by the State or the Legislative Analyst's Office (the "LAO"). Neither the District, the Underwriter nor the County is responsible for the information provided in this section.

#### **State Budgeting for Education Generally**

The State requires that from all State revenues there first shall be set apart the moneys to be applied for support of the public school system and public institutions of higher education. Public school districts in California are dependent on revenues from the State for a large portion of their operating budgets. The primary source of funding for school districts are revenues under the LCFF, which are a combination of State funds and local property taxes (see "DISTRICT FINANCIAL INFORMATION - Education Funding Generally" above). State funds typically make up the majority of a district's LCFF allocation, although Basic Aid school districts derive most of their revenues from local property taxes. School districts also receive substantial funding from the State for various categorical programs.

The availability of State funds for public education is a function of constitutional provisions affecting school district revenues and expenditures (see "CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS" below), the condition of the State economy (which affects total revenue available to the State's general fund), and the annual State budget process. Decreases in State revenues may significantly affect appropriations made by the legislature to school districts.

## The Budget Process

The State's fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. The annual budget is proposed by the Governor by January 10 of each year for the next fiscal year (the "Governor's Budget"). Under State law, the annual proposed Governor's Budget cannot provide for projected expenditures in excess of projected revenues and balances available from prior fiscal years. Following the submission of the Governor's Budget, the Legislature takes up the proposal.

Under the State Constitution, money may be drawn from the State Treasury only through an appropriation made by law. The primary source of the annual expenditure authorizations is the Budget Act as approved by the Legislature and signed by the Governor. The Budget Act must be approved by a majority vote of each house of the Legislature. The Governor may reduce or eliminate specific line items in the Budget Act or any other appropriations bill without vetoing the entire bill. Such individual line-item vetoes are subject to override by a two-thirds majority vote of each house of the Legislature.

Appropriations also may be included in legislation other than the Budget Act. Bills containing appropriations (including for K-14 education) must be approved by a majority vote in each house of the Legislature, unless such appropriations require tax increases, in which case they must be approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the Legislature and be signed by the Governor. Continuing appropriations, available without regard to fiscal year, may also be provided by statute or the State Constitution.

Funds necessary to meet an appropriation need not be in the State Treasury at the time such appropriation is enacted; revenues may be appropriated in anticipation of their receipt.

#### **Available Public Resources**

Certain information about the State budgeting process and the State budget is available through several State sources. Convenient sources of information include:

- www.treasurer.ca.gov: The California State Treasurer internet home page, under the link to "Bond Finance" and sub-heading "-Public Finance Division", includes links to recent State official statements and various State financial documents which includes information regarding State budgets and finances.
- www.dof.ca.gov: The California Department of Finance's (the "DOF") internet home page, under the link to "California Budget", includes the text of proposed and adopted State Budgets.
- www.lao.ca.gov: The LAO's internet home page includes a link to "-The Budget" which includes analyses and commentary on fiscal outlooks.

The above references to internet websites shown are shown for reference and convenience only. The information contained within the websites may include outdated information and has not been reviewed for accuracy by the District or the Purchaser. Such information is not incorporated herein by reference.

## The 2024-25 State Budget

Overview of the 2024-25 State Budget. The Governor signed the fiscal year 2024-25 State budget on June 29, 2024, which was amended through a series of legislative trailer bills (the "2024-25 State Budget"). The 2024-25 State Budget notes that the State has experienced significant revenue volatility and unprecedented revenue growth that was quickly followed by a sharp and deep correction back toward historical trends. The 2024-25 State Budget also notes that the unprecedented Internal Revenue Service tax filing and payment postponement in the year 2023 significantly clouded the State's revenue forecast, and indicates that, with the revenue picture now clearer, the 2024-25 State Budget takes steps to ensure California is on sound fiscal footing by setting the State on a fiscally responsible long-term path that protects vital programs.

The 2024-25 State Budget includes provisions intended to address a budget deficit of approximately \$46.8 billion while also creating positive fund balance in State's Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties (the "SFEU") in fiscal years 2024-25 and 2025-26 and maintaining core programs for vulnerable populations. The 2024-25 State Budget includes approximately \$16.0 billion in budgetary reductions, comprising (a) an approximately 7.95% reduction in the State's operations budget resulting in State general fund savings of approximately \$2.2 billion, (b) a \$1.5 billion permanent reduction in State departments' budgets for vacant positions, (c) a reduction of approximately \$0.4 billion in State Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation budget in fiscal year 2024-25 and a total reduction of approximately \$0.7 billion in fiscal years 2022-23 through 2024-25, (d) \$1.1 billion reduction in various affordable housing programs, and (e) a reduction of \$0.7 billion for various healthcare workforce housing programs.

The 2024-25 State Budget includes a \$13.6 billion increase in revenues by means of additional revenue sources and internal borrowing from special funds, which incorporates suspension of net operating loss deductions for companies with over \$1.0 million in taxable income and limits business tax credits to \$5.0 million in fiscal years 2023-2024 through 2025-

2026, and increased managed care organization tax generating \$5.1 billion in fiscal year 2024-25, \$4.6 billion in fiscal year 2025-26, and \$4.0 billion in fiscal year 2026-27. Significantly, the 2024-25 State Budget provides for the withdrawal of approximately \$12.2 billion from the State Rainy Day Fund (the "Rainy Day Fund") over fiscal years 2024-25 and 2025-26, and approximately \$0.9 billion from the State Safety Net Reserve in fiscal year 2024-25.

Additional balancing measures include \$6.0 billion in fund shifts, such as (a) applying a prior CalPERS supplemental pension payment to the State's overall pension liability which reduces the State's required employer contributions in fiscal year 2024-25 by \$1.7 billion, (b) shifts approximately \$1.0 billion in expenditures from the State general fund to the State's greenhouse gas reduction fund for the Formula and Competitive Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program. and (c) shifts approximately \$3.0 billion in expenditures from the State general fund to the State's greenhouse gas reduction fund for clean energy and other climate programs. The 2024-25 State Budget also delays funding for programs such as the State food assistance program expansion, developmental services, childcare slots and the State's broadband program by a total amount of approximately \$3.1 billion and includes approximately \$2.1 billion in payroll and University of California and California State University compact deferrals. Some of the core programs maintained in the 2024-25 State Budget include funding of the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee at approximately \$115.3 billion for school districts and community colleges. Medi-Cal expansion of health care, multiple programs supporting the expansion of the continuum of behavioral health treatment and infrastructure capacity for providing behavioral health services, State supplemental payment base grants, CalWORKs base grants, in-home supportive services and certain broadband programs.

The 2024-25 State Budget projects total resources available in fiscal year 2023-24 of approximately \$236.5 billion, including revenues and transfers of approximately \$189.4 billion and a prior year balance of approximately \$47.1 billion, and total expenditures in fiscal year 2023-24 of approximately \$223.1 billion. The 2024-25 State Budget projects total resources available for fiscal year 2024-25 of approximately \$225.6 billion, inclusive of revenues and transfers of approximately \$212.1 billion and a prior year balance of approximately \$13.4 billion. The 2024-25 State Budget projects total expenditures in fiscal year 2024-25 of approximately \$211.5 billion, inclusive of non-Proposition 98 expenditures of approximately \$128.9 billion and Proposition 98 expenditures of approximately \$82.6 billion. The 2024-25 State Budget projects total reserve balances of \$22.2 billion at the end of fiscal year 2024-25. This includes \$17.6 billion in the State Rainy Day Fund, \$3.5 billion in the State's SFEU, and \$1.1 billion in the Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund. The 2024-25 State Budget includes total funding of \$133.8 billion for all K-12 education programs, including \$81.5 billion from the State's general fund and \$52.3 billion from other funds. The 2024-25 State Budget reflects significant Proposition 98 funding that enables increased support for core programs such as the LCFF, special education, transitional kindergarten, nutrition, and preschool.

Certain budgeted programs and adjustments for K-12 education set forth in the 2024-25 State Budget include:

Proposition 98 Minimum Guarantee. The 2024-25 State Budget suspends the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee in fiscal year 2023-24 and projects the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee to be in Test 1 in fiscal year 2024-25. In Test 1 years, the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee is equal to the percentage of State general fund appropriated for K-14 schools in the fiscal year 1986-87. Suspending the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee is projected to create a maintenance factor obligation of approximately \$8.3 billion in fiscal year 2023-24 and is projected to result in a \$4.1 billion maintenance factor payment in

fiscal year 2024-25, which will be paid in addition to the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee level in fiscal year 2024-25. The 2024-25 State Budget reflects Proposition 98 funding levels of \$103.7 billion in fiscal year 2022-23, \$98.5 billion in fiscal year 2023-24, and \$115.3 billion in fiscal year 2024-25. Such funding represents approximately 39.2% of the State's general fund revenues, plus local property tax revenues and a \$4.1 billion maintenance factor payment. To accommodate enrollment increases related to the expansion of transitional kindergarten, the 2024-25 State Budget increased the funding level from approximately 38.6% to approximately 39.2% to increase the percentage of State general fund revenues due to the minimum guarantee.

Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund. The 2024-25 State Budget includes a withdrawal of the entire \$8.4 billion balance in the Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund in fiscal year 2023-24 and a discretionary payment of approximately \$1.1 billion in fiscal year 2024-25, leaving a projected balance of \$1.1 billion at the end of fiscal year 2024-25. Because there is no ending balance at the end of the 2023-24 fiscal year and a balance of \$1.1 billion at the end of the 2024-25 fiscal year, school district reserve caps would not be triggered in fiscal year 2024-25 and are not projected to be triggered in fiscal year 2025-26.

Local Control Funding Formula. The 2024-25 State Budget includes LCFF cost-of-living adjustment of 1.07%. The cost-of-living adjustment, when combined with population growth adjustments, increases discretionary funding for local agencies by approximately \$983 million. To fully fund the LCFF, the 2024-25 State Budget withdraws approximately \$5.3 billion from the Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund to support LCFF costs in fiscal year 2023-24 and uses available reappropriation and reversion funding of \$253.9 million to support ongoing LCFF costs in fiscal year 2024-25.

<u>Deferrals</u>. The 2024-25 State Budget reflects LCFF apportionment deferrals from fiscal year 2023-24 to fiscal year 2024-25 of approximately \$3.6 billion and from fiscal year 2024-25 to fiscal year 2025-26 of approximately \$246 million. Additionally, the 2024-25 State Budget reflects approximately \$2.3 billion in categorical program deferrals from fiscal year 2022-23 to fiscal year 2023-24, with the deferred categorical amount being repaid using Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund resources.

<u>Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant</u>. The 2024-25 State Budget focuses the use of allocated but unexpended Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant funds on actions to address the needs of students most impacted by learning loss, based on an assessment of needs, and incorporates the use of these funds into the existing Local Control and Accountability Plan development process.

<u>Employee Protections</u>. To ensure stable employment for school staff, the 2024-25 State Budget includes a suspension of the August 15, 2024 layoff window for certificated and classified staff.

Instructional Continuity and Attendance Program. The 2024-25 State Budget includes statutory changes to allow local educational agencies to provide attendance recovery opportunities to students to make up lost instructional time, thereby offsetting student absences, and mitigating learning loss, as well as related fiscal impacts to local educational agencies. Beginning in fiscal year 2024-25, the 2024-25 State Budget allows local educational agencies to add up to 10 days of attendance recovery time per pupil to the attendance data submitted to the California Department of Education for funding purposes. Beginning July 1, 2025, the 2024-25 State Budget requires local educational

agencies to include an instructional continuity plan in their School Safety Plan as a component of their emergency funding application (J-13A waiver). The plan must include procedures for student engagement within 5 days of an emergency and a plan to provide hybrid or remote learning opportunities to students within 10 instructional days. The 2024-25 State Budget also includes a \$4.0 million in one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources to research and develop new models of hybrid and remote learning to support students' attendance, including developing and disseminating guidance and resources for local educational agencies to develop their own hybrid and remote learning programs to enable instructional continuity.

Teacher Professional Development and Preparation. To expand the state's educator training infrastructure, the 2024-25 State Budget (a) provides \$25 million of one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources to support necessary costs, including training for educators to administer literacy screenings to meet the requirement to screen students in kindergarten through second grade for risk of reading difficulties, including dyslexia, by the 2025-26 school year; and (b) provides \$20.0 million in one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources for a county office of education to work with the University of California Subject Matter Projects, as well as other well-qualified governmental or non-profit providers, to develop and provide training aligned with the new California Mathematics Framework for mathematics coaches and leaders who in turn can provide training and support to mathematics teachers to deliver high-quality instruction.

State Preschool Program. The 2024-25 State Budget provides approximately \$53.7 billion of State's general fund resources to support reimbursement rate increases previously supported by available one-time federal stimulus funding. The 2024-25 State Budget reflects one-time savings of \$190.7 million general fund and \$522.3 million Proposition 98 general fund. The 2024-25 State Budget authorized State Preschool Program providers to serve two-year-old children, in addition to three and four-year old children, until June 30, 2027. The 2024-25 State Budget maintains that the State Preschool Program continue to require providers to reserve 5% of funded enrollment for children with disabilities. However, the 2024-25 State Budget suspends provisions to increase this requirement to 7.5% in fiscal year 2025-26 and 10% in fiscal year 2026-27.

Transitional Kindergarten. The 2024-25 State Budget provides approximately \$988.7 million in Proposition 98 general fund resources for the 2023-24 school year to support the second year of expanded eligibility for transitional kindergarten to all children turning five-years-old between September 2 and April 2. The 2024-25 State Budget also provides approximately \$390.2 million in Proposition 98 general fund resources to support the second year of adding one additional certificated or classified staff person in each transitional kindergarten classroom. Additionally, the 2024-25 State Budget provides approximately \$1.5 billion in ongoing Proposition 98 general fund resources beginning in fiscal year 2024-25 to support the third year of expanded eligibility for transitional kindergarten to all children turning five-years-old between September 2 and June 2. The 2024-25 State Budget also provides approximately \$515.5 million in ongoing Proposition 98 general fund resources to support the third year of adding one additional certificated or classified staff person in each transitional kindergarten classroom.

The 2024-25 State Budget solution-oriented measures that directly impact funding for school districts include forgoing planned investments of (a) \$875.0 million to support the school facility program, (b) \$550.0 million support to the State preschool, transitional kindergarten and full-day kindergarten facilities grant program, and (c) \$500.0 million one-time investment in zero-

emission school buses. The 2024-25 State Budget provides approximately \$907.1 million to support arts and music in schools, an additional \$179.4 million in ongoing Proposition 98 general fund resources and an additional \$120.8 million one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources to fully fund the universal school meals program in fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25, \$9.0 million in one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources for the classified school employee summer assistance program, \$7.0 million in one-time Proposition 98 general fund resources to support inquiry-based science instruction and assessment through the development of a bank of curriculum-embedded performance tasks, and \$5.0 million each for the State teachers collaborative for holocaust and genocide education and school programs in rural districts.

For the full text of the 2024-25 State Budget, see the California Department of Finance website at www.dof.ca.gov or www.ebudget.ca.gov. The references to these Internet websites are shown for reference and convenience only and the information contained on such websites is not incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. The information contained on these websites may not be current and has not been reviewed by the District or the Underwriter for accuracy or completeness.

**LAO Analysis of the 2024-25 State Budget.** The Legislative Analyst's Office (the "**LAO**"), a nonpartisan State office which provides fiscal and policy information and advice to the State legislature, released its report on the 2024-25 State Budget entitled "The 2024-25 Budget: Overview of the Spending Plan" on September 6, 2024 (the "2024-25 State Budget Analysis"). In the 2024-25 State Budget Analysis, the LAO assesses the budget problem that was addressed in the 2024-25 State Budget and analyzes the major proposals for K-12 education.

The LAO estimates that the State addressed a budget shortfall of \$55.0 billion, which is larger than the budget shortfall of \$47.0 billion cited in the 2024-25 State Budget. The main driver for the \$8.0 billion difference is the difference in treatment of assumptions about baseline spending for schools and community colleges.

The LAO notes that the 2024-25 State Budget uses various maneuvers to address the budget shortfall, including reserve withdrawals, spending reductions, revenue increases, and cost shifts. The LAO indicates that spending-related adjustments (including school spending) were the largest component of the budget package, accounting for \$39.0 billion and approximately 70% of the total solutions. The LAO also shows that reserve withdrawals were the second largest component, totaling \$6.0 billion from the State Rainy Day Fund and the Safety Net Reserve. The report further details that cost shifts and revenue-related solutions were smaller components, amounting to \$2.0 billion and \$8.0 billion, respectively. The LAO estimates \$16.0 billion in one time or temporary spending solutions (excluding school spending) and \$4.0 billion in ongoing reductions, which grow to approximately \$6 billion over time.

The LAO notes that the budget emergency proclamation by the Governor on June 26, 2024 allowed the 2024-25 State Budget to withdraw approximately \$5.0 billion from the State Rainy Day Fund. The 2024-25 State Budget also includes a withdrawal of the \$900.0 million balance from the Safety Net Reserve.

The LAO estimates that, pursuant to the 2024-25 State Budget, the State would end the 2024-25 fiscal year with \$21.1 billion in General Fund reserves, including \$17.6 billion in the State Rainy Day Fund and \$3.5 billion in the SFEU. The LAO also estimates that the State would have room under the State appropriations limit in fiscal years 2022-23 through 2024-25. The LAO projects that revenues from the major tax sources would grow from fiscal year 2023-24 to fiscal year 2024-25, but not enough to offset the revenue shortfalls in the prior and current fiscal years.

The LAO explains that the 2024-25 State Budget includes \$12.7 billion in reductions to Proposition 98 funding for schools and community colleges over fiscal years 2022-23 through 2024-25. This includes a reduction to the Proposition 98 funding by \$2.6 billion for fiscal year 2022-23. For fiscal year 2023-24, the 2024-25 State Budget invokes a provision allowing the State to suspend the minimum requirement and reduces the amount of Proposition 98 funding by \$8.3 billion. The LAO states that these reductions lower the Proposition 98 requirement on an ongoing basis but create an obligation to increase funding more rapidly in the future. Additionally, the 2024-25 State Budget introduces a new type of fiscal maneuver that accrues \$6.2 billion in previous school and community college payments to future fiscal years. Specifically, the State will not recognize these payments as a cost to the State general fund in the year it provided them, i.e., fiscal year 2022-23. The maneuver does not delay or reduce any payments to schools or community colleges, nor does it reduce the Proposition 98 funding requirement in future fiscal years.

The LAO notes that the 2024-25 State Budget contains reserve withdrawals from the Proposition 98 Rainy Day Fund to mitigate the funding reductions to schools in fiscal year 2023-24. Additionally, the LAO estimates cost savings because the Coronavirus Disease 2019 disease ("COVID-19") attendance policies preserving attendance numbers to pre-pandemic levels are being phased out. The LAO describes other minor savings for schools and community colleges from (1) deferring payments from fiscal year 2024-25 to fiscal year 2025-26, (2) reducing funding for the State Preschool program that is expected to go unused, and (3) repurposing certain unspent appropriations from previous years. The payment deferral involved deferring \$487.0 million in payments from fiscal year 2024-25 to fiscal year 2025-26 by delaying a portion of payment to school districts from June 2025 to July 2025. The LAO notes that school districts may be exempt from this deferral if they can show the delay would cause fiscal insolvency. The purpose of the deferral is to reduce spending in fiscal year 2024-25 to the minimum level required by Proposition 98.

The LAO indicates that after accounting for these actions, the State has \$1.5 billion available to augment school and community college programs. The LAO highlights that the budget allocates \$1.0 billion of this amount to cover a 1.07% cost-of-living adjustment for existing programs. For schools, the 2024-25 State Budget also provides an increase of \$300.0 million to cover cost increases of universal school meals. For community colleges, the 2024-25 Budget also provides \$75.0 million to cover increased costs.

The 2024-25 State Budget Analysis is available on the LAO website at www.lao.ca.gov. The District can take no responsibility for the continued accuracy of this internet address or for the accuracy, completeness or timeliness of information posted therein, and such information is not incorporated herein by such reference.

#### The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal

The Governor sent the fiscal year 2025-26 budget proposal to the legislature on January 10, 2025 (the "2025-26 State Budget Proposal"). The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal presents a balanced budget with what are noted as significant reserves in the coming fiscal year, resulting in an upgrade to the State's financial forecast in the near term and modest upward revisions in the long term. A stronger-than-anticipated performance of the economy, stock market, and cash receipts, combined with an improved economic outlook, are noted as contributors to an upgraded revenue forecast, with General Fund revenues, before accounting for transfers and tax policy proposals, projected to be higher by approximately \$16.5 billion (2.7%) than was assumed in the 2024 Budget Act for the three-year budget window of fiscal years 2023-24 through 2025-26.

The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal provides for \$228.9 billion in general fund spending and nearly \$17 billion in combined reserves—including nearly \$11 billion in the State's Rainy Day Fund and an additional discretionary set-aside of \$4.5 billion in the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties. Although the proposal is noted as balanced, it anticipates shortfalls in subsequent fiscal years that are driven by expenditures exceeding revenues, noting additional decisions may be necessary at the May Revision to maintain a balanced budget in the coming year, and also on an ongoing basis. Noted risk factors relating to the economy and State revenues include stock market and asset price volatility and declines, particularly those affecting high-income earners - as well as geopolitical instability.

Certain budgeted programs and adjustments for K-12 education set forth in the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal include Proposition 98 funding for K-14 schools set at \$118.9 billion for fiscal year 2025-26, and a LCFF cost-of-living adjustment of 2.43%. The proposal also reflects full implementation of universal transitional kindergarten, increased funding for universal school meals, and implementation of grants that will be fully disbursed in fiscal year 2025-26 to support the community school model to support improved educational outcomes at more than 2,000 public schools.

The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal includes a \$100 million one-time Proposition 98 General Fund for California community colleges to expand Credit for Prior Learning and to begin building the infrastructure for the State's first "Career Passport." The Career Passport system will allow students to create formal documentation of their marketable skills and abilities developed through work, classes, apprenticeships, internships or other experiences both inside and outside the classroom, with the intent of scaling the system in future years to be applicable at both the secondary and higher education levels. The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal also allocates \$500 million in one-time funding for literacy and mathematics coaches in high-poverty schools.

The proposal notes that it is maintaining efficiency reductions included in the 2024-25 State Budget intended to address ongoing statewide General Fund budget pressures, and that California State University should continue planning for a reduction of 7.95% in ongoing General Fund support starting in the 2025-26 fiscal year, with the University of California subject to a similar reduction of 7.95%.

The May Revise will be released by the Governor on or before May 14, 2025 and will update the budget proposal with revised economic and revenue outlooks and other estimates and assumptions, and may contain modifications to or removal of policy initiatives included in the January proposal.

For the full text of the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal, see the California Department of Finance website at www.dof.ca.gov or www.ebudget.ca.gov. The references to these Internet websites are shown for reference and convenience only and the information contained on such websites is not incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. The information contained on these websites may not be current and has not been reviewed by the District or the Underwriter for accuracy or completeness.

LAO Analysis of the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal. The LAO released its report on the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal entitled "The 2025-26 Budget: Overview of the Governor's Budget" on January 13, 2025 (the "2025-26 State Budget Proposal Analysis"). In the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal Analysis, the LAO notes that the underlying condition of the Governor's budget is roughly balanced. However, the LAO (and the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal) anticipates budget deficits in future years and recommends action from the Governor and the

State legislature. In addition, while the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal's upgraded revenue forecast is reasonable considering recent collection trends, the LAO is concerned that these gains are largely tied to gains in the stock market and not to improvements in the State's broader economy. Furthermore, the 2025-26 State Budget Proposal Analysis recommends that the State legislature continue to develop a plan to address future budget problems as existing underlying budget dynamics (i.e., revenues have not caught up with expenditures, expenditure growth exceeds estimated revenue growth, and the legislature's use of one-time funds) pose especially challenging trade-offs in addressing future deficits. Finally, the LAO notes that while the Governor's proposals for rethinking the State's reserve policies are merited, it believes that further changes are warranted, including, increases to the amount of funds that are saved each year.

The 2025-26 State Budget Proposal Analysis is available on the LAO website at https://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/4951. The District can take no responsibility for the continued accuracy of this internet address or for the accuracy, completeness or timeliness of information posted therein, and such information is not incorporated herein by such reference.

Disclaimer Regarding State Budgets. The execution of State budgets may be affected by numerous factors, including but not limited to: (i) shifts in costs from the federal government to the State, (ii) national, State and international economic conditions, (iii) litigation risks, (iv) rising health care costs and/or other unfunded liabilities, such as pension or OPEB, and (v) numerous other factors, all or any of which could cause the revenue and spending projections included in such budgets to be unattainable. The District cannot predict the impact that the 2024-25 State Budget or subsequent State budgets, or future changes (if any) in the budget due to shifts in the economy or other factors, will have on its own finances and operations. However, the Bonds described herein are secured by ad valorem property taxes levied and collected on taxable property in the District, without limit as to rate or amount, and are not secured by a pledge of revenues of the District or its general fund.

The State has not entered into any contractual commitments with the District, the County, the Underwriter or the Owners of the Bonds to provide State Budget information to the District or the owners of the Bonds. Although the sources of information provided herein are known to be reliable, neither the District nor the Underwriter assume any responsibility for the accuracy of the budget information set forth or referred to in this Official Statement or incorporated herein.

#### **Legal Challenges to State Funding of Education**

The application of Proposition 98 and other statutory provisions relating to education funding in the State has been the subject of various legal challenges in the past. The District cannot predict if or when there will be changes to education funding or legal challenges which may arise relating thereto, and how such events could impact the District and its finances.

### CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS

Principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from the proceeds of an *ad valorem* property tax levied by the County for the payment thereof. Articles XIIIA, XIIIB, XIIIC, and XIIID of the State Constitution, Propositions 62, 98, 111 and 218, and certain other provisions of law discussed below, are included in this section to describe the potential effect of these Constitutional and statutory measures on the ability of the District to levy taxes and spend tax proceeds for operating and other purposes, and it should not be inferred from the inclusion of such materials that these laws impose any limitation on the ability of the District to levy taxes for payment of the Bonds. The tax levied by the County for payment of the Bonds was approved by the District's voters in compliance with Article XIIIA and all applicable laws.

#### **Constitutionally Required Funding of Education**

The State Constitution requires that from all State revenues, there shall be first set apart the moneys to be applied by the State for the support of the public school system and public institutions of higher education. School districts receive a significant portion of their funding from State appropriations. As a result, decreases and increases in State revenues can significantly affect appropriations made by the State Legislature to school districts.

#### Article XIIIA of the California Constitution

Basic Property Tax Levy. On June 6, 1978, California voters approved Proposition 13 ("Proposition 13"), which added Article XIIIA to the State Constitution ("Article XIIIA"). Article XIIIA limits the amount of any ad valorem property tax on real property to 1% of the full cash value thereof, except that additional ad valorem property taxes may be levied to pay debt service on (a) indebtedness approved by the voters prior to July 1, 1978, (b) (as a result of an amendment to Article XIIIA approved by State voters on June 3, 1986) bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property which has been approved on or after July 1, 1978 by two-thirds of the voters on such indebtedness, and (c) (as a result of an amendment to Article XIIIA approved by State voters on November 7, 2000) bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district or community college district for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, approved by 55% of the voters of the District, but only if certain accountability measures are included in the proposition. Article XIIIA defines full cash value to mean "the county assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975-76 tax bill under full cash value, or thereafter, the appraised value of real property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership have occurred after the 1975 assessment". This full cash value may be increased at a rate not to exceed 2% per year to account for inflation.

Article XIIIA has subsequently been amended to permit reduction of the "full cash value" base in the event of declining property values caused by damage, destruction or other factors, to provide that there would be no increase in the "full cash value" base in the event of reconstruction of property damaged or destroyed in a disaster and in other minor or technical ways.

Legislation Implementing Article XIIIA. Legislation has been enacted and amended a number of times since 1978 to implement Article XIIIA. Under current law, local agencies are no longer permitted to levy directly any property tax (except to pay voter-approved indebtedness).

The 1% property tax is automatically levied by the county and distributed according to a formula among taxing agencies. The formula apportions the tax roughly in proportion to the relative shares of taxes levied prior to 1979.

Increases of assessed valuation resulting from reappraisals of property due to new construction, change in ownership or from the annual adjustment not to exceed 2% are allocated among the various jurisdictions in the "taxing area" based upon their respective "situs." Any such allocation made to a local agency continues as part of its allocation in future years.

Inflationary Adjustment of Assessed Valuation. As described above, the assessed value of a property may be increased at a rate not to exceed 2% per year to account for inflation. On December 27, 2001, the Orange County Superior Court, in County of Orange v. Orange County Assessment Appeals Board No. 3, held that where a home's taxable value did not increase for two years, due to a flat real estate market, the Orange County assessor violated the 2% inflation adjustment provision of Article XIIIA, when the assessor tried to "recapture" the tax value of the property by increasing its assessed value by 4% in a single year. The assessors in most California counties, including the County, use a similar methodology in raising the taxable values of property beyond 2% in a single year. The State Board of Equalization has approved this methodology for increasing assessed values. On appeal, the Appellate Court held that the trial court erred in ruling that assessments are always limited to no more than 2% of the previous year's assessment. On May 10, 2004, a petition for review was filed with the California Supreme Court. The petition has been denied by the California Supreme Court. As a result of this litigation, the "recapture" provision described above may continue to be employed in determining the full cash value of property for property tax purposes.

#### Article XIIIB of the California Constitution

Article XIIIB ("Article XIIIB") of the State Constitution, as subsequently amended by Propositions 98 and 111, respectively, limits the annual appropriations of the State and of any city, county, school district, authority or other political subdivision of the State to the level of appropriations of the particular governmental entity for the prior fiscal year, as adjusted for changes in the cost of living and in population and for transfers in the financial responsibility for providing services and for certain declared emergencies. For fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 1990, the appropriations limit of each entity of government shall be the appropriations limit for the 1986-87 fiscal year adjusted for the changes made from that fiscal year under the provisions of Article XIIIB, as amended.

The appropriations of an entity of local government subject to Article XIIIB limitations include the proceeds of taxes levied by or for that entity and the proceeds of certain state subventions to that entity. "Proceeds of taxes" include, but are not limited to, all tax revenues and the proceeds to the entity from (a) regulatory licenses, user charges and user fees (but only to the extent that these proceeds exceed the reasonable costs in providing the regulation, product or service), and (b) the investment of tax revenues.

Appropriations subject to limitation do not include (a) refunds of taxes, (b) appropriations for debt service, (c) appropriations required to comply with certain mandates of the courts or the federal government, (d) appropriations of certain special districts, (e) appropriations for all qualified capital outlay projects as defined by the legislature, (f) appropriations derived from certain fuel and vehicle taxes and (g) appropriations derived from certain taxes on tobacco products.

Article XIIIB includes a requirement that all revenues received by an entity of government other than the State in a fiscal year and in the fiscal year immediately following it in excess of the amount permitted to be appropriated during that fiscal year and the fiscal year immediately following it shall be returned by a revision of tax rates or fee schedules within the next two subsequent fiscal years. However, in the event that a school district's revenues exceed its spending limit, the District may in any fiscal year increase its appropriations limit to equal its spending by borrowing appropriations limit from the State.

Article XIIIB also includes a requirement that 50% of all revenues received by the State in a fiscal year and in the fiscal year immediately following it in excess of the amount permitted to be appropriated during that fiscal year and the fiscal year immediately following it shall be transferred and allocated to the State School Fund under Section 8.5 of Article XVI of the State Constitution.

#### **Unitary Property**

Some amount of property tax revenue of the District is derived from utility property which is considered part of a utility system with components located in many taxing jurisdictions ("unitary property"). Under the State Constitution, such property is assessed by the State Board of Equalization ("SBE") as part of a "going concern" rather than as individual pieces of real or personal property. State-assessed unitary and certain other property is allocated to the counties by SBE, taxed at special county-wide rates, and the tax revenues distributed to taxing jurisdictions (including the District) according to statutory formulae generally based on the distribution of taxes in the prior year.

#### Articles XIIIC and XIIID of the California Constitution

On November 5, 1996, the voters of the State of California approved Proposition 218, popularly known as the "Right to Vote on Taxes Act." Proposition 218 added to the California Constitution Articles XIIIC and XIIID (respectively, "Article XIIIC" and "Article XIIID"), which contain a number of provisions affecting the ability of local agencies, including school districts, to levy and collect both existing and future taxes, assessments, fees and charges.

According to the "Title and Summary" of Proposition 218 prepared by the California Attorney General, Proposition 218 limits "the authority of local governments to impose taxes and property-related assessments, fees and charges." Among other things, Article XIIIC establishes that every tax is either a "general tax" (imposed for general governmental purposes) or a "special tax" (imposed for specific purposes), prohibits special purpose government agencies such as school districts from levying general taxes, and prohibits any local agency from imposing, extending or increasing any special tax beyond its maximum authorized rate without a two-thirds vote; and also provides that the initiative power will not be limited in matters of reducing or repealing local taxes, assessments, fees and charges. Article XIIIC further provides that no tax may be assessed on property other than ad valorem property taxes imposed in accordance with Articles XIII and XIIIA of the California Constitution and special taxes approved by a two-thirds vote under Article XIIIA, Section 4.

On November 2, 2010, Proposition 26 was approved by State voters, which amended Article XIIIC to expand the definition of "tax" to include "any levy, charge, or exaction of any kind imposed by a local government" except the following: (a) a charge imposed for a specific benefit conferred or privilege granted directly to the payor that is not provided to those not charged, and which does not exceed the reasonable costs to the local government of conferring the benefit or

granting the privilege; (b) a charge imposed for a specific government service or product provided directly to the payor that is not provided to those not charged, and which does not exceed the reasonable costs to the local government of providing the service or product; (c) a charge imposed for the reasonable regulatory costs to a local government for issuing licenses and permits, performing investigations, inspections, and audits, enforcing agricultural marketing orders, and the administrative enforcement and adjudication thereof; (d) a charge imposed for entrance to or use of local government property, or the purchase, rental, or lease of local government property; (e) a fine, penalty, or other monetary charge imposed by the judicial branch of government or a local government, as a result of a violation of law; (f) a charge imposed as a condition of property development; and (g) assessments and property-related fees imposed in accordance with the provisions of Article XIIID. Proposition 26 provides that the local government bears the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that a levy, charge, or other exaction is not a tax, that the amount is no more than necessary to cover the reasonable costs of the governmental activity, and that the manner in which those costs are allocated to a payor bear a fair or reasonable relationship to the payor's burdens on, or benefits received from, the governmental activity.

Article XIIID deals with assessments and property-related fees and charges, and explicitly provides that nothing in Article XIIIC or XIIID will be construed to affect existing laws relating to the imposition of fees or charges as a condition of property development.

While the provisions of Proposition 218 may have an indirect effect on the District, such as by limiting or reducing the revenues otherwise available to other local governments whose boundaries encompass property located within the District (thereby causing such local governments to reduce service levels and possibly adversely affecting the value of property within the District), the District does not believe that Proposition 218 will directly impact the property tax revenues available to pay debt service on the Bonds.

#### **Proposition 98**

On November 8, 1988, California voters approved Proposition 98, a combined initiative constitutional amendment and statute called the "Classroom Instructional Improvement and Accountability Act" (the "Accountability Act"). Certain provisions of the Accountability Act have, however, been modified by Proposition 111, discussed below, the provisions of which became effective on July 1, 1990. The Accountability Act changes State funding of public education below the university level and the operation of the State's appropriations limit. The Accountability Act guarantees State funding for K-12 school districts and community college districts (hereinafter referred to collectively as "K-14 school districts") at a level equal to the greater of (a) the same percentage of general fund revenues as the percentage appropriated to such districts in 1986-87, and (b) the amount actually appropriated to such districts from the general fund in the previous fiscal year, adjusted for increases in enrollment and changes in the cost of living. The Accountability Act permits the Legislature to suspend this formula for a one-year period.

The Accountability Act also changes how tax revenues in excess of the State appropriations limit are distributed. Any excess State tax revenues up to a specified amount would, instead of being returned to taxpayers, be transferred to K-14 school districts. Any such transfer to K-14 school districts would be excluded from the appropriations limit for K-14 school districts and the K-14 school district appropriations limit for the next year would automatically be increased by the amount of such transfer. These additional moneys would enter the base funding calculation for K 14 school districts for subsequent years, creating further pressure on other portions of the State budget, particularly if revenues decline in a year following an Article XIIIB

surplus. The maximum amount of excess tax revenues which could be transferred to K 14 school districts is 4% of the minimum State spending for education mandated by the Accountability Act.

#### **Proposition 111**

On June 5, 1990, the voters approved Proposition 111 (Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 1) called the "Traffic Congestion Relief and Spending Limit Act of 1990" ("**Proposition 111**") which further modified Article XIIIB and Sections 8 and 8.5 of Article XVI of the State Constitution with respect to appropriations limitations and school funding priority and allocation.

The most significant provisions of Proposition 111 are summarized as follows:

Annual Adjustments to Spending Limit. The annual adjustments to the Article XIIIB spending limit were liberalized to be more closely linked to the rate of economic growth. Instead of being tied to the Consumer Price Index, the "change in the cost of living" is now measured by the change in California per capita personal income. The definition of "change in population" specifies that a portion of the State's spending limit is to be adjusted to reflect changes in school attendance.

Treatment of Excess Tax Revenues. "Excess" tax revenues with respect to Article XIIIB are now determined based on a two-year cycle, so that the State can avoid having to return to taxpayers excess tax revenues in one year if its appropriations in the next fiscal year are under its limit. In addition, the Proposition 98 provision regarding excess tax revenues was modified. After any two-year period, if there are excess State tax revenues, 50% of the excess are to be transferred to K-14 school districts with the balance returned to taxpayers; under prior law, 100% of excess State tax revenues went to K-14 school districts, but only up to a maximum of 4% of the schools' minimum funding level. Also, reversing prior law, any excess State tax revenues transferred to K-14 school districts are not built into the school districts' base expenditures for calculating their entitlement for State aid in the next year, and the State's appropriations limit is not to be increased by this amount.

**Exclusions from Spending Limit**. Two exceptions were added to the calculation of appropriations which are subject to the Article XIIIB spending limit. First, there are excluded all appropriations for "qualified capital outlay projects" as defined by the Legislature. Second, there are excluded any increases in gasoline taxes above the 1990 level (then nine cents per gallon), sales and use taxes on such increment in gasoline taxes, and increases in receipts from vehicle weight fees above the levels in effect on January 1, 1990. These latter provisions were necessary to make effective the transportation funding package approved by the Legislature and the Governor, which expected to raise over \$15 billion in additional taxes from 1990 through 2000 to fund transportation programs.

**Recalculation of Appropriations Limit.** The Article XIIIB appropriations limit for each unit of government, including the State, is to be recalculated beginning in fiscal year 1990-91. It is based on the actual limit for fiscal year 1986-87, adjusted forward to 1990-91 as if Proposition 111 had been in effect.

**School Funding Guarantee.** There is a complex adjustment in the formula enacted in Proposition 98 which guarantees K-14 school districts a certain amount of State general fund revenues. Under prior law, K-14 school districts were guaranteed the greater of (a) 40.9% of State general fund revenues (the "first test") or (b) the amount appropriated in the prior year adjusted for changes in the cost of living (measured as in Article XIIIB by reference to per capita

personal income) and enrollment (the "second test"). Under Proposition 111, schools will receive the greater of (a) the first test, (b) the second test, or (c) a third test, which will replace the second test in any year when growth in *per capita* State general fund revenues from the prior year is less than the annual growth in California per capita personal income (the "third test"). Under the third test, schools will receive the amount appropriated in the prior year adjusted for change in enrollment and *per capita* State general fund revenues, plus an additional small adjustment factor. If the third test is used in any year, the difference between the third test and the second test will become a "credit" to schools which will be paid in future years when State general fund revenue growth exceeds personal income growth.

#### **Proposition 39**

On November 7, 2000, California voters approved an amendment (commonly known as "Proposition 39") to the California Constitution. This amendment (a) allows school facilities bond measures to be approved by 55% (rather than two-thirds) of the voters in local elections and permits property taxes to exceed the current 1% limit in order to repay the bonds and (b) changes existing statutory law regarding charter school facilities. As adopted, the constitutional amendments may be changed only with another Statewide vote of the people. The statutory provisions could be changed by a majority vote of both houses of the Legislature and approval by the Governor, but only to further the purposes of the proposition. The local school jurisdictions affected by this proposition are K-12 school districts, community college districts, including the District, and county offices of education. As noted above, the California Constitution previously limited property taxes to 1% of the value of property. Prior to the approval of Proposition 39, property taxes could only exceed this limit to pay for (a) any local government debts approved by the voters prior to July 1, 1978 or (b) bonds to acquire or improve real property that receive two-thirds voter approval after July 1, 1978.

The 55% vote requirement authorized by Proposition 39 applies only if the local bond measure presented to the voters includes: (a) a requirement that the bond funds can be used only for construction, rehabilitation, equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities; (b) a specific list of school projects to be funded and certification that the school board has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing the list; and (c) a requirement that the school board conduct annual, independent financial and performance audits until all bond funds have been spent to ensure that the bond funds have been used only for the projects listed in the measure. Legislation approved in June 2000 places certain limitations on local school bonds to be approved by 55% of the voters. These provisions require that the tax rate levied as the result of any single election be no more than \$60 (for a unified school district), \$30 (for an elementary school district or high school district), or \$25 (for a community college district), per \$100,000 of taxable property value. These requirements are not part of this proposition and can be changed with a majority vote of both houses of the Legislature and approval by the Governor.

The Bonds described in this Official Statement were authorized pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and will be issued in compliance with Proposition 39 and its related legislation.

#### **Proposition 1A and Proposition 22**

On November 2, 2004, California voters approved Proposition 1A, which amended the State constitution to significantly reduce the State's authority over major local government revenue sources. Under Proposition 1A, the State cannot (a) reduce local sales tax rates or alter the method of allocating the revenue generated by such taxes, (b) shift property taxes from local

governments to schools or community colleges, (c) change how property tax revenues are shared among local governments without two-thirds approval of both houses of the State Legislature or (d) decrease Vehicle License Fee revenues without providing local governments with equal replacement funding. Under Proposition 1A, beginning, in 2008-09, the State may shift to schools and community colleges a limited amount of local government property tax revenue if certain conditions are met, including: (a) a proclamation by the Governor that the shift is needed due to a severe financial hardship of the State, and (b) approval of the shift by the State Legislature with a two-thirds vote of both houses. Under such a shift, the State must repay local governments for their property tax losses, with interest, within three years. Proposition 1A does allow the State to approve voluntary exchanges of local sales tax and property tax revenues among local governments within a county. Proposition 1A also amended the State Constitution to require the State to suspend certain State laws creating mandates in any year that the State does not fully reimburse local governments for their costs to comply with the mandates. This provision does not apply to mandates relating to schools or community colleges or to those mandates relating to employee rights.

Proposition 22, a constitutional initiative entitled the "Local Taxpayer, Public Safety, and Transportation Protection Act of 2010," approved on November 2, 2010, superseded many of the provision of Proposition 1A. This initiative amends the State constitution to prohibit the legislature from diverting or shifting revenues that are dedicated to funding services provided by local government or funds dedicated to transportation improvement projects and services. Under this proposition, the State is not allowed to take revenue derived from locally imposed taxes, such as hotel taxes, parcel taxes, utility taxes and sales taxes, and local public transit and transportation funds. Further, in the event that a local governmental agency sues the State alleging a violation of these provisions and wins, then the State must automatically appropriate the funds needed to pay that local government. This Proposition was intended to, among other things, stabilize local government revenue sources by restricting the State's control over local property taxes. Proposition 22 did not prevent the California State Legislature from dissolving State redevelopment agencies pursuant to AB 1X26, as confirmed by the decision of the California Supreme Court decision in *California Redevelopment Association v. Matosantos* (2011).

Because Proposition 22 reduces the State's authority to use or reallocate certain revenue sources, fees and taxes for State general fund purposes, the State will have to take other actions to balance its budget, such as reducing State spending or increasing State taxes, and school and college districts that receive Proposition 98 or other funding from the State will be more directly dependent upon the State's general fund.

#### **Proposition 30 and Proposition 55**

The Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding, Initiative Constitutional Amendment, also known as "**Proposition 30**", temporarily increased the State Sales and Use Tax and personal income tax rates on higher incomes. Proposition 30 temporarily imposed an additional tax on all retailers, at the rate of 0.25% of gross receipts from the sale of all tangible personal property sold in the State from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2016. Proposition 30 also imposed an additional excise tax on the storage, use, or other consumption in the State of tangible personal property purchased from a retailer on and after January 1, 2013 and before January 1, 2017. This excise tax was levied at a rate of 0.25% of the sales price of the property so purchased. For personal income taxes imposed beginning in the taxable year commencing January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2018, Proposition 30 increases for such period the marginal personal income tax rate by: (a) 1% for taxable income over \$250,000 but less than \$300,000 for single filers (over \$340,000 but less than \$408,000 for head of household filers and over \$500,000 but

less than \$600,000 for joint filers), (b) 2% for taxable income over \$300,000 but less than \$500,000 for single filers (over \$408,000 but less than \$680,000 for head of household filers and over \$600,000 but less than \$1,000,000 for joint filers), and (c) 3% for taxable income over \$500,000 for single filers (over \$680,000 for head of household filers and over \$1,000,000 for joint filers). Proposition 55 (described below) extended said increases to personal income rates through the end of 2030.

The revenues generated from the temporary tax increases will be included in the calculation of the Proposition 98 minimum funding guarantee for school districts and community college districts. See "Proposition 98" and "Proposition 111" above. From an accounting perspective, the revenues generated from the temporary tax increases will be deposited into the State account created pursuant to Proposition 30 called the Education Protection Account (the "EPA"). Pursuant to Proposition 30, funds in the EPA will be allocated quarterly, with 89% of such funds provided to school districts and 11% provided to community college districts. The funds will be distributed to school districts and community college districts in the same manner as existing unrestricted per-student funding, except that no school district will receive less than \$200 per unit of ADA and no community college district will receive less than \$100 per full time equivalent student. The governing board of each school district and community college district is granted sole authority to determine how the moneys received from the EPA are spent, provided that, the appropriate governing board is required to make these spending determinations in open session at a public meeting and such local governing boards are prohibited from using any funds from the EPA for salaries or benefits of administrators or any other administrative costs.

The California Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016, also known as Proposition 55, was a proposed constitutional amendment initiative that was approved on the November 8, 2016 general election ballot in California. Proposition 55 extends the increases to personal income tax rates for high-income taxpayers that were approved as part of Proposition 30 through the end of 2030, instead of the scheduled expiration date of December 31, 2018. The extensions did not apply to the sales tax and excise taxes imposed by Proposition 30. Tax revenue received under Proposition 55 is to be allocated 89% to K-12 schools and 11% to community colleges.

#### California Senate Bill 222

Senate Bill 222 ("SB 222") was signed by the California Governor on July 13, 2015, and became effective on January 1, 2016. SB 222 amended Section 15251 of the California Education Code and added Section 52515 to the California Government Code to provide that voter approved general obligation bonds which are secured by *ad valorem* property tax collections are secured by a statutory lien on all revenues received pursuant to the levy and collection of the property tax imposed to service those bonds. Said lien shall attach automatically and is valid and binding from the time the bonds are executed and delivered. The lien is enforceable against the issuer, its successors, transferees, and creditors, and all others asserting rights therein, irrespective of whether those parties have notice of the lien and without the need for any further act. The effect of SB 222 is the treatment of general obligation bonds, such as the Bonds, as secured debt in bankruptcy due to the existence of a statutory lien.

#### **Proposition 19**

On November 3, 2020, State voters approved Proposition 19, a legislatively referred constitutional amendment ("**Proposition 19**"), which amends Article XIIIA to (i) expand as of April 1, 2021 special rules that govern the transfer of a residential property's tax base value to a

replacement residence for homeowners that are over the age of 55, severely disabled, or whose property has been impacted by wildfire or natural disaster, when they buy a different home anywhere within the State, (ii) narrows as of February 16, 2021 existing special rules for the valuation of inherited real property due to a transfer between family members, and (iii) allocates most resulting State revenues and savings (if any) to fire protection services and reimbursing local governments for taxation-related changes. The District cannot predict whether the implementation of Proposition 19 will increase, decrease or have no overall impact on the District's assessed values.

#### Proposition 2 (2024)

The Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair and Safety Bond Act of 2024, also known as "Proposition 2", was approved by State voters at the November 5, 2024 statewide election, and authorizes the sale and issuance of \$10 billion in State general obligation bonds for the repair, upgrade and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges and career technical education programs, including the improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades.

Proposition 2 includes \$3.3 billion for the construction of new K-12 facilities and an additional \$4 billion for the modernization of existing K-12 facilities. Up to 10% of the allocation for new constructions and modernization will be reserved for school districts with an enrollment of fewer than 2,501 students. Of the \$4 billion assigned for modernization of existing K-12 facilities, up to \$115 million will be allocated for the remediation of lead in water at school facilities. Generally, K-12 school districts will be required to pay for 50% of the new construction costs and 40% of the modernization costs with local revenues. However, some districts that have lower assessed property values and meet certain other socio-economic criteria will be required to pay as low as 45% and 35% of new construction costs and modernization costs, respectively. In addition, a total of \$1.2 billion will be available for the modernization and new construction of charter school facilities (\$600 million) and technical education facilities (\$600 million). The State will award funds to technical education and charter school through an application process, and charter schools must be deemed financially sound before project approval.

#### **Future Initiatives**

Article XIIIA, Article XIIIB, Article XIIIC and Article XIIID of the California Constitution and Propositions 98, 22, 26, 30 and 39 were each adopted as measures that qualified for the ballot under the State's initiative process. From time to time other initiative measures could be adopted further affecting District revenues or the District's ability to expend revenues. The nature and impact of these measures cannot be anticipated by the District.

#### **APPENDIX B**

## MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

#### **APPENDIX C**

### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY OF CONCORD AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The following information concerning the City of Concord (the "City") and Contra Costa County (the "County") is included only for the purpose of supplying general information regarding the area of the District. The Bonds are not a debt of the City, the County, the State of California (the "State") or any of its political subdivisions, and neither the City, the County, the State nor any of its political subdivisions is liable therefor.

#### General

The District serves all of the City, which is located in the County.

**The County**. The County was incorporated in 1850 as one of the original 27 counties of the State, with the City of Martinez as the County Seat. It is one of the nine counties in the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Area. The County is the ninth most populous county in the State with a population of approximately 1,146,626 as of January 1, 2024.

The County provides services to residents through departments and agencies including the Departments of Building Inspection, Community Development, Economic & Redevelopment, Airports, Flood Control, Parks, and Road and Transportation. Each city within the County provides for local services such as police, fire, water, and various other services normally associated with municipalities.

**The City.** On February 5, 1905, Concord was incorporated as a City. Today, Concord is the largest city in Contra Costa County, with a population of over 121,000 residents.

#### **Population**

The following table lists population estimates for the City, the County, and the State as of January 1 each year for the last five calendar years.

## CITY OF CONCORD AND COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA Population Estimates Calendar Years 2020 through 2024

Area	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Concord Contra Costa County State of California	<b>125,520</b> 1,165,927 39,538,223	<b>124,775</b> 1,162,336 39,327,868	<b>122,713</b> 1,149,841 39,114,785	<b>121,663</b> 1,145,274 39,061,058	<b>121,513</b> 1,146,626 39,128,162

Source: State Department of Finance estimates.

#### **Industry and Employment**

The County is a part of the Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley Metropolitan Division (the "MD"). The unemployment rate in the Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley MD was 4.5% in December 2024, down from a revised 4.8% in November 2024, and unchanged the year-ago estimate of 4.5%. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 5.2% for California and 3.8% for the nation during the same period. The unemployment rate was 4.5% in Alameda County, and 4.6% in Contra Costa County.

The table below list employment by industry group for the years 2019 through 2023.

# OAKLAND-HAYWARD-BERKELEY MD Annual Average Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment, Employment by Industry Calendar Years 2019 through 2023 (March 2023 Benchmark)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	2022	2023
Civilian Labor Force (1)	1,401,500	1,364,400	1,354,000	1,367,400	1,376,700
Employment	1,359,000	1,242,300	1,270,000	1,320,400	1,320,300
Unemployment	42,500	122,100	84,000	47,100	56,400
Unemployment Rate	3.0%	9.0%	6.2%	3.4%	4.1%
Wage and Salary Employment(2)					
Agriculture	1,400	1,500	1,700	1,900	1,900
Mining and Logging	200	200	200	300	300
Construction	75,600	71,100	74,300	75,400	75,100
Manufacturing	101,000	98,700	106,000	112,300	111,900
Wholesale Trade	45,400	42,100	41,100	41,500	41,400
Retail Trade	112,000	101,500	105,300	106,200	105,600
Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	43,700	45,200	49,500	54,500	54,400
Information	27,600	25,600	24,700	25,000	24,200
Finance and Insurance	37,200	35,900	34,800	33,600	32,300
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	18,100	16,800	17,200	18,400	18,400
Professional and Business Services	193,200	184,900	190,700	195,500	189,500
Educational and Health Services	198,400	191,300	198,500	205,800	216,500
Leisure and Hospitality	121,000	84,700	92,500	108,300	112,100
Other Services	41,200	33,100	35,600	39,200	41,300
Federal Government	13,400	14,200	13,400	13,100	13,300
State Government	39,600	38,200	35,900	33,100	33,700
Local Government	121,800	113,500	111,800	115,200	118,000
Total all Industries (3)	1,190,700	1,098,500	1,133,200	1,179,100	1,189,900

<sup>(1)</sup> Labor force data is by place of residence; includes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, and workers on strike.

Source: State of California Employment Development Department.

<sup>(2)</sup> Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, and workers on strike.

<sup>(3)</sup> Columns may not sum to totals due to rounding.

#### **Principal Employers**

The following table shows the principal employers in the City, as shown in the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

### CITY OF CONCORD Principal Employers

Number of
<b>Employees</b>
1,000 - 4,999
1,000 - 4,999
500 - 999
500 - 999
250 - 499
250 - 499
250 - 499
250 - 499
0 - 249
0 - 249

Source: City of Concord, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024.

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#### **Largest Employers**

The following tables list the largest manufacturing and non-manufacturing employers within the County as of February 2025, in alphabetical order without regard to the number of employees.

#### COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA Largest Employers February 2025

Employer Name	Location	Industry
BART	Richmond	Transit Lines
Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc	Hercules	Physicians & Surgeons Equip & Supls-Mfrs
C & H Sugar	Crockett	Sugar Refiners (mfrs)
Chevron Corp	San Ramon	Crude Oil-Petroleum Refineries
Contra Costa County Health Svc	Martinez	Government Offices-County
Contra Costa Regional Med Ctr	Martinez	Hospitals
Crash Champions Collision	Concord	Automobile Body-Repairing & Painting
Home & Hospital Program	Concord	Educational Service-Business
John Muir Health Concord Med	Concord	Hospitals
Kaiser Permanente Antioch Med	Antioch	Hospitals
Kaiser Permanente Martinez Med	Martinez	Clinics
Kaiser Permanente Walnut Creek	Walnut Creek	Hospitals
La Raza Market	Richmond	Grocers-Retail
Los Medanos College	Pittsburg	Junior-Community College-Tech Institutes
Macias Gini & O'Connell LLP	Walnut Creek	Accountants
Martinez Arts Outpatient Clnc	Martinez	Physicians & Surgeons
Martinez Refining Co LLC	Martinez	Crude Oil-Petroleum Refineries
Nordstrom	Walnut Creek	Department Stores
Oakley Union School District	Oakley	School Districts
Phillips 66	Rodeo	Service Stations-Gasoline & Oil
Phillips 66 Sn Francisco Rfnry	Rodeo	Crude Oil-Petroleum Refineries
Robert Half	San Ramon	Employment Agencies & Opportunities
San Ramon Regional Medical Ctr	San Ramon	Hospitals
Sutter Delta Medical Ctr	Antioch	Hospitals
USS Posco Industries	Pittsburg	Steel Mills (mfrs)

Source: State of California Employment Development Department, extracted from The America's Labor Market Information System (ALMIS) Employer Database, 2025 1st Edition.

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#### **Effective Buying Income**

"Effective Buying Income" is defined as personal income less personal tax and nontax payments, a number often referred to as "disposable" or "after-tax" income. Personal income is the aggregate of wages and salaries, other labor-related income (such as employer contributions to private pension funds), proprietor's income, rental income (which includes imputed rental income of owner-occupants of non-farm dwellings), dividends paid by corporations, interest income from all sources, and transfer payments (such as pensions and welfare assistance). Deducted from this total are personal taxes (federal, state and local), nontax payments (fines, fees, penalties, etc.) and personal contributions to social insurance. According to U.S. government definitions, the resultant figure is commonly known as "disposable personal income."

The following table summarizes the total median household effective buying income for the City, the County, the State and the United States for the period 2021 through 2025.

## CITY OF CONCORD AND COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD EFFECTIVE BUYING INCOME As of January 1, 2021 through 2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
City of Concord	\$78,221	\$88,865	\$88,468	\$92,616	\$92,757
County of Contra Costa	87,804	98,409	98,536	101,689	103,380
California	67,956	77,058	77,175	80,973	82,725
United States	56,790	64,448	65,326	67,876	69,687

Source: Claritas, LLC.

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#### **Commercial Activity**

Summaries of historic taxable sales within the City and County during the past five years for which data are available are shown in the following tables.

During the first three quarters of calendar year 2024, total taxable transactions in the City were reported to be \$2,407,119,929, representing a 4.37% decrease from the total taxable transactions of \$2,517,058,914 that were reported in the City during the first three quarters of calendar year 2023.

#### CITY OF CONCORD Taxable Transactions (Dollars in Thousands)

		Retail Stores		Total Outlets
Year	Retail Permits	Taxable	<b>Total Permits</b>	Taxable
	on July 1	<b>Transactions</b>	on July 1	<b>Transactions</b>
2019	2,014	\$2,563,170	3,426	\$3,117,791
2020	2,096	2,157,309	3,622	2,720,337
2021	1,888	2,672,273	3,303	3,294,509
2022	1,923	2,803,254	3,358	3,444,619
2023	1,925	2,724,263	3,342	3,360,370

Source: State Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

During the first three quarters of calendar year 2024, total taxable transactions in the County were reported to be \$16,256,397,918, representing a 1.03% decrease from the total taxable transactions of \$16,425,077,019 that were reported in the County during the first three quarters of calendar year 2023.

#### COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA Taxable Transactions (Dollars in Thousands)

	Retail Permits	Retail Stores Taxable	Total Permits	Total Outlets Taxable	
Year	on July 1	Transactions	on July 1	Transactions	
2019	15,337	\$13,301,946	26,201	\$18,048,985	
2020	15,832	13,037,715	27,445	17,907,507	
2021	15,000	14,956,873	26,049	21,057,354	
2022	15,240	15,762,110	26,633	22,440,901	
2023	15,036	15,572,256	26,351	22,294,562	

Source: State Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

#### **Construction Activity**

Construction activity in the City and the County for the past five years for which data is available are shown in the following tables.

# CITY OF CONCORD Building Permit Valuation For Calendar Years 2019 through 2023 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Permit Valuation				<u></u>	
New Single-family	\$6,642.6	\$8,942.2	\$6,426.4	\$43,901.6	\$37,662.8
New Multi-family	0.0	66,600.0	378.3	47,528.3	50,637.4
Res. Alterations/Additions	<u>16,660.5</u>	<u>15,766.9</u>	<u>22,565.1</u>	<u>36,144.3</u>	<u>31,288.9</u>
Total Residential	\$23,303.1	\$91,309.1	\$29,369.8	\$127,574.2	\$119,589.1
New Commercial	\$963.1	\$7,821.6	\$17.149.9	\$15.429.0	\$6.475.0
New Industrial	1.580.0	3.200.0	\$17,149.9 0.0	2.510.0	2.510.0
New Other	,	2.298.0		,	49,725.8
	15,644.9	,	3,886.2	10,574.9	
Com Alterations/Additions	46,999.9	<u>18,866.2</u>	<u>542.6</u>	28,540.0	58,431.8
Total Nonresidential	\$65,187.9	\$32,185.8	\$21,578.7	\$57,053.9	\$117,142.6
New Dwelling Units					
Single Family	30	53	52	157	157
Multiple Family	<u>0</u> 30	<u>230</u>	<u>2</u> 54	<u>227</u>	<u>291</u>
TOTAL	30	283	54	384	448

Source: Construction Industry Research Board, Building Permit Summary.

# COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA Building Permit Valuation For Calendar Years 2019 through 2023 (Dollars in Thousands)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Permit Valuation	<u></u> -		·	·	<u></u>
New Single-family	\$502,567.7	\$458,503.6	\$605,008.9	\$492,220.0	\$509,605.9
New Multi-family	213,697.9	203,967.0	273,036.5	180,263.9	180,831.9
Res. Alterations/Additions	<u>300,066.4</u>	<u>213,070.0</u>	<u>264,419.4</u>	<u>330,704.1</u>	<u>346,446.8</u>
Total Residential	\$1,016,332.0	\$875,540.6	\$1,142,464.8	\$1,003,188.0	\$1,036,884.6
New Commercial	\$148,405.7	\$175,260.2	\$147,251.4	\$92,978.3	\$39,853.5
New Industrial	2,974.5	50,551.2	486.2	2,510.0	3,542.1
New Other	81,032.5	55,865.5	89,392.6	139,806.0	258,149.1
Com Alterations/Additions	<u>240,543.0</u>	<u>142,395.8</u>	<u>144,697.4</u>	<u>271,701.4</u>	<u>316,831.5</u>
Total Nonresidential	\$472,955.7	\$424,072.7	\$381,827.6	\$506,995.7	\$618,376.2
New Dwelling Units					
Single Family	1,573	1,525	2,229	1,646	1,497
Multiple Family	<u>1,229</u>	<u>1,243</u>	<u>1,695</u>	924	894
TOTAL	2,802	2,768	3,924	2,570	2,391

Source: Construction Industry Research Board, Building Permit Summary.

#### **Transportation**

Centrally located in the East Bay region of the San Francisco Bay Area, the County is accessible to major transportation resources including Bay Area Rapid Transit which connects five counties and several cities within and outside the County, such as Oakland, Berkeley, Fremont, Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, Concord, Dublin and Pleasanton. The County is also in close proximity to Interstate Highways 5, 205, 580 and 680, and is approximately 20 miles east of Oakland International Airport and 30 miles northeast of San Francisco International Airport providing for convenient interstate transportation. The County is also home to two general aviation airports: Buchanan Field Airport and Byron Airport, located in the cities of Concord and Byron, respectively.

#### Education

The County is comprised of 19 school districts, 5 community colleges, and is both home to and has access to major universities, including California State University - East Bay, University of California - Berkeley, Mills College at Northeastern University, San Francisco State University, Golden Gate University, and St. Mary's College. The District serves approximately one-third of the territory of the County and is the largest K-12 school district within the County.

#### Recreation

The County is home to Mt. Diablo State Park (the "Park"), which was designated a State park in 1921. Within the Park, Mt. Diablo has an elevation of 3,849 feet providing a view west across the Golden Gate Bridge to the Farallon Islands, southeast to the James Lick Observatory, south to the Santa Cruz Mountains, east to the San Joaquin and Sacramento Rivers and north to Mt. Helena and Mount Lassen in the Cascades. The Park's 22,000 acres consist mostly of typical central California oak and grassland country with extensive areas of chaparral. Areas of riparian woodland, knobcone pine and coulter pine are also scattered throughout the Park. Over 400 species of plants have been identified within the Park as well as abundant wildlife including deer, raccoons, gray fox, bobcat, mountain lions and striped and spotted skunks. The Park provides guided hiking, rock climbing, horseback riding, biking, camping, and picnic facilities to visitors.

The County also contains numerous local parks and recreation facilities including Lefty Gomez Recreation Building and Ball Field Complex, an eleven acre park with ball fields, tennis courts, playground equipment, picnic and barbecue facilities and a community center, Montalvin Park, a seven acre community park with a basketball court, tennis court and picnic facilities, Montara Bay Park Community Center and Ball Field Complex, a four acre complex with a ball field and community center and Rodeo Creek Trail, a two and a half mile trail with indigenous trees, shrubs, grasses and wildflowers.

#### APPENDIX D

#### PROPOSED FORMS OF OPINIONS OF BOND COUNSEL

#### **The Series C Bonds**

#### [LETTERHEAD OF JONES HALL, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION]

[Closing Date]

Board of Education Mt. Diablo Unified School District 1936 Carlotta Drive Concord, California 94519

OPINION:	\$ Mt. Diablo Unified School District				
	(Contra Costa County, California)				
	General Obligation Bonds, 2018 Election, Series C				

#### Members of the Board of Education:

We have acted as bond counsel to the Mt. Diablo Unified School District (the "District") in connection with the issuance by the District of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ principal amount of Mt. Diablo Unified School District (Contra Costa County, California) General Obligation Bonds, 2018 Election, Series C, dated the date hereof (the "Bonds"), under the provisions of Article 4.5 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, and a resolution of the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") adopted on April 23, 2025 (the "Resolution"). We have examined the law and such certified proceedings and other papers as we deemed necessary to render this opinion.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon representations of the Board contained in the Resolution and in the certified proceedings and other certifications and opinions furnished to us, without undertaking to verify such facts by independent investigation.

Based upon our examination, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

- 1. The District is a duly created and validly existing unified school district with the power to issue the Bonds, and to perform its obligations under the Resolution and the Bonds.
- 2. The Resolution has been duly adopted by the Board, and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the District enforceable upon the District in accordance with its terms.

- 3. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the District, and are valid and binding general obligations of the District.
- 4. The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County is required to levy an *ad valorem* property tax upon the property in the District subject to taxation by the District, unlimited as to rate or amount, for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds.
- 5. The interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. It should be noted however that interest on the Bonds may be subject to the corporate alternative minimum tax. The opinions set forth in the preceding sentences are subject to the condition that the District comply with all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest thereon be, and continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has made certain representations and covenants in order to comply with each such requirement. Inaccuracy of those representations, or failure to comply with certain of those covenants, may cause the inclusion of such interest in gross income for federal income tax purposes, which may be retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds.
- 6. The interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxation imposed by the State of California.

We express no opinion regarding any other tax consequences arising with respect to the ownership, sale or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds are limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention, or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

Respectfully submitted,

A Professional Law Corporation

#### The Refunding Bonds

#### [LETTERHEAD OF JONES HALL, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION]

[Closing Date]

Board of Education Mt. Diablo Unified School District 1936 Carlotta Drive Concord, California 94519

OPINION: \$\_\_\_\_ Mt. Diablo Unified School District (Contra Costa County, California)
2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds

#### Members of the Board of Education:

We have acted as bond counsel to the Mt. Diablo Unified School District (the "District") in connection with the issuance by the District of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ principal amount of Mt. Diablo Unified School District (Contra Costa County, California) 2025 Refunding General Obligation Bonds, dated the date hereof (the "Bonds"), under the provisions of Articles 9 and 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, commencing with Section 53550 of said Code, and a resolution of the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") adopted on April 23, 2025 (the "Resolution"). We have examined the law and such certified proceedings and other papers as we deemed necessary to render this opinion.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon representations of the Board contained in the Resolution and in the certified proceedings and other certifications and opinions furnished to us, without undertaking to verify such facts by independent investigation.

Based upon our examination, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

- 1. The District is a duly created and validly existing unified school district with the power to issue the Bonds, and to perform its obligations under the Resolution and the Bonds.
- 2. The Resolution has been duly adopted by the Board, and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the District enforceable upon the District in accordance with its terms.
- 3. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the District, and are valid and binding general obligations of the District.

- 4. The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County is required to levy an *ad valorem* property tax upon the property in the District subject to taxation by the District, unlimited as to rate or amount, for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds.
- 5. The interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. It should be noted however that interest on the Bonds may be subject to the corporate alternative minimum tax. The opinions set forth in the preceding sentences are subject to the condition that the District comply with all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest thereon be, and continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has made certain representations and covenants in order to comply with each such requirement. Inaccuracy of those representations, or failure to comply with certain of those covenants, may cause the inclusion of such interest in gross income for federal income tax purposes, which may be retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds.
- 6. The interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxation imposed by the State of California.

We express no opinion regarding any other tax consequences arising with respect to the ownership, sale or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds are limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention, or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

Respectfully submitted.

A Professional Law Corporation

#### APPENDIX E

#### FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Contra Costa County, California)
General Obligation Bonds
2018 Election, Series C

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (Contra Costa County, California)
2025 Refunding
General Obligation Bonds

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE**

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (this "**Disclosure Certificate**") is executed and delivered by the Mt. Diablo Unified School District (the "**District**") in connection with the execution and delivery of the captioned bonds (together, the "**Bonds**"). The Bonds are being executed and delivered pursuant to resolutions adopted by the Board of Education of the District on April 23, 2025 (the "**Resolution**"). U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, is initially acting as paying agent for the Bonds (the "**Paying Agent**").

The District hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

**Section 1.** Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the District for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriters in complying with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12(b)(5).

**Section 2.** <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the definitions set forth above and in the Resolution, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section 2, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" means any Annual Report provided by the District pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4.

"Annual Report Date" means the date not later than nine months after the end of each fiscal year of the District (currently June 30<sup>th</sup>), being March 31.

"Dissemination Agent" means the District or any third party or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the District and which has filed with the District and the Paying Agent a written acceptance of such designation.

"Listed Events" means any of the events listed in Section 5(a).

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, which has been designated by the Securities and Exchange Commission as the sole repository of disclosure information for purposes of the Rule.

"Official Statement" means the final official statement executed by the District in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

"Paying Agent" means U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Los Angeles, California, or any successor thereto.

"Participating Underwriter" means the original underwriter of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with offering of the Bonds.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

#### Section 3. Provision of Annual Reports.

- The District shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than the (a) Annual Report Date, commencing March 31, 2026 with the report for the 2024-25 fiscal year, provide to the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, an Annual Report that is consistent with the requirements of Section 4. Not later than 15 Business Days prior to the Annual Report Date, the District shall provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent (if other than the District). If by 15 Business Days prior to the Annual Report Date the Dissemination Agent (if other than the District) has not received a copy of the Annual Report, the Dissemination Agent shall contact the District to determine if the District is in compliance with the previous sentence. The Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may include by reference other information as provided in Section 4; provided that the audited financial statements of the District may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report, and later than the Annual Report Date, if not available by that date. If the District's fiscal year changes, it shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(c). The District shall provide a written certification with each Annual Report furnished to the Dissemination Agent to the effect that such Annual Report constitutes the Annual Report required to be furnished by the District hereunder.
- (b) If the District does not provide (or cause the Dissemination Agent to provide) an Annual Report by the Annual Report Date, the District shall provide (or cause the Dissemination Agent to provide) notice in a timely manner to the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB with a copy to the Paying Agent and Participating Underwriter.
  - (c) With respect to each Annual Report, the Dissemination Agent shall:
    - determine each year prior to the Annual Report Date the thenapplicable rules and electronic format prescribed by the MSRB for the filing of annual continuing disclosure reports;
    - (ii) if the Dissemination Agent is other than the District, file a report with the District certifying that the Annual Report has been provided pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate, and stating the date it was provided.

**Section 4.** Content of Annual Reports. The District's Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:

- (a) Audited financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as promulgated to apply to governmental entities from time to time by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. If the District's audited financial statements are not available by the Annual Report Date, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained in the final Official Statement, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Report when they become available.
- (b) Unless otherwise provided in the audited financial statements filed on or before the Annual Report Date, the following information shall be provided in the Annual Report:
  - assessed valuation of taxable properties in the District for the most recent fiscal year;
  - (ii) assessed valuation of properties of the top twenty taxpayers for the most recent fiscal year to the extent available from the County;
  - (iii) if the District's levy for general obligation bonds is not included on the County's Teeter Plan, property tax collection delinquencies for the District for the most recent Fiscal Year but only if available from the County at the time of the filing of the Annual Report, for the prior fiscal year,
  - (iv) the most recently adopted budget or recently Board-approved interim report available at the time of filing the Annual Report which contains budgeted and projected figures, for the fiscal year in which the Annual Report is filed, and
  - (v) such further information, if any, as may be necessary to make the specifically required statements, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading.
- (c) Any or all of the items listed above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the District or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB's internet web site or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The District shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

#### Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

- (a) The District shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following Listed Events with respect to the Bonds in a timely manner as described in (b) below:
  - (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies.
  - (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material.
  - (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties.

- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties.
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform.
- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax status of the security.
- (7) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material.
- (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers.
- (9) Defeasances.
- (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material.
- (11) Rating changes.
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District.
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material.
- (14) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
- (15) Incurrence of a financial obligation of the District, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material.
- (16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (b) Whenever the District obtains knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event, the District shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent (if not the District) to, file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner not in excess of 10 business days after the occurrence of the Listed Event.
- (c) The District acknowledges that the events described in subparagraphs (a)(2), (a)(7), (a)(8) (if the event is a bond call), (a)(10), (a)(13), (a)(14) and (a)(15) of this Section contain the qualifier "if material" and that subparagraph (a)(6) also contains the qualifier "material" with respect to certain notices, determinations or other events affecting the tax status of the Bonds. The District shall cause a notice to be filed as set forth in paragraph (b) above with respect to any such event only to the extent that it determines the event's occurrence is material for purposes of U.S. federal securities law. Whenever the District obtains knowledge of the occurrence of any of these Listed Events, the District will as soon as possible determine if such event would be material under applicable federal securities law. If such event is determined to be material, the District will cause a notice to be filed as set forth in paragraph (b) above.

- (d) For purposes of this Disclosure Certificate, any event described in paragraph (a)(12) above is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District.
- (e) For purposes of Section 5(a)(15) and (a)(16), the term "financial obligation" means a (i) debt obligation; (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). The term financial obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.
- **Section 6.** <u>Identifying Information for Filings with the MSRB</u>. All documents provided to the MSRB under the Disclosure Certificate shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.
- **Section 7.** <u>Termination of Reporting Obligation</u>. The District's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds. If such termination occurs prior to the final maturity of the Bonds, the District shall give notice of such termination in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(c).
- **Section 8.** <u>Dissemination Agent</u>. The District may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. Any Dissemination Agent may resign by providing 30 days' written notice to the District and the Paying Agent.
- **Section 9.** <u>Amendment; Waiver</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the District may amend this Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (a) if the amendment or waiver relates to the provisions of Sections 3(a), 4 or 5(a), it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of the District with respect to the Bonds, or type of business conducted;
  - (b) the undertakings herein, as proposed to be amended or waived, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the primary offering of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and

(c) the proposed amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by holders of the Bonds in the manner provided in the Resolution for amendments to the Resolution with the consent of holders, or (ii) does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the holders or beneficial owners of the Bonds.

If the annual financial information or operating data to be provided in the Annual Report is amended pursuant to the provisions hereof, the first annual financial information filed pursuant hereto containing the amended operating data or financial information shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for the amendment and the impact of the change in the type of operating data or financial information being provided.

If an amendment is made to the undertaking specifying the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, the annual financial information for the year in which the change is made shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles. The comparison shall include a qualitative discussion of the differences in the accounting principles and the impact of the change in the accounting principles on the presentation of the financial information, in order to provide information to investors to enable them to evaluate the ability of the District to meet its obligations. To the extent reasonably feasible, the comparison shall be quantitative. A notice of the change in the accounting principles shall be filed in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(c).

**Section 10.** Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the District from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the District chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the District shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

**Section 11.** <u>Default</u>. If the District fails to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Participating Underwriter or any holder or beneficial owner of the Bonds may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the District to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an Event of Default under the Resolution, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the District to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

#### Section 12. <u>Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent.</u>

- (a) The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the District agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which they may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. The Dissemination Agent will have no duty or obligation to review any information provided to it by the District hereunder, and shall not be deemed to be acting in any fiduciary capacity for the District, the Bondholders or any other party. The obligations of the District under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds.
- (b) The Dissemination Agent shall be paid compensation by the District for its services provided hereunder in accordance with its schedule of fees as amended from time to time, and shall be reimbursed for all expenses, legal fees and advances made or incurred by the Dissemination Agent in the performance of its duties hereunder.

**Section 13.** <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the District, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriter and holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Date:, 2025	
	MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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	Name:
	Title:

#### **APPENDIX F**

#### DTC AND THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

The following description of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, payment of principal, interest and other payments on the Bonds to DTC Participants or Beneficial Owners, confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, the DTC Participants and the Beneficial Owners is based solely on information provided by DTC. Accordingly, no representations can be made concerning these matters and neither the DTC Participants nor the Beneficial Owners should rely on the foregoing information with respect to such matters, but should instead confirm the same with DTC or the DTC Participants, as the case may be.

Neither the District nor the Paying Agent take any responsibility for the information contained in this Section.

No assurances can be given that DTC, DTC Participants or Indirect Participants will distribute to the Beneficial Owners (a) payments of interest, principal or premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds, (b) Bonds representing ownership interest in or other confirmation or ownership interest in the Bonds, or (c) redemption or other notices sent to DTC or Cede & Co., its nominee, as the registered owner of the Bonds, or that they will so do on a timely basis, or that DTC, DTC Participants or DTC Indirect Participants will act in the manner described in this Appendix. The current "Rules" applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the current "Procedures" of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.

- 1. The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the securities (in this Appendix, the "Bonds"). The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC. If, however, the aggregate principal amount of any maturity exceeds \$500 million, one certificate will be issued with respect to each \$500 million of principal amount and an additional certificate will be issued with respect to any remaining principal amount of such issue.
- 2. DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies. clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned

subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com. *The information contained on this Internet site is not incorporated herein by reference*.

- 3. Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive Bonds representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.
- 4. To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.
- 5. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of the notices be provided directly to them.
- 6. Redemption notices will be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.
- 7. Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor such other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting

rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

- 8. Redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts, upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from District or Paying Agent on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC nor its nominee, Paying Agent, or District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of District or Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.
- 9. DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to District or Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Bonds are required to be printed and delivered.
- 10. The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.
- 11. The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that District believes to be reliable, but District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

#### **APPENDIX G**

# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY INVESTMENT POOL INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT REPORT