ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE L

Vote YES on Measure L to repair Needles' aging infrastructure and invest directly in our community.

Needles faces important infrastructure needs that cannot be adequately addressed through existing resources alone. Measure L provides locally controlled funding to repair and improve the public infrastructure our residents use every day.

Measure L authorizes up to $11.2 million in general obligation bonds to repair and repave deteriorating streets, fix potholes, improve roads and transportation infrastructure, repair sidewalks and pedestrian facilities, improve parks and recreational facilities, support community safety improvements, and help revitalize Downtown Main Street.

Measure L includes strong taxpayer protections. Bond proceeds cannot be used for City employee salaries or general operating expenses. All bond funds stay in Needles and must be used for purposes authorized by voters. The measure requires accountability safeguards, including annual audits, independent citizens' oversight, a separate account for bond proceeds, and annual reporting.

The projected property tax rate to repay the bonds is $60 per $100,000 of assessed value—not market value. For a property with an assessed value of $100,000, that is approximately $60 per year.

Measure L is an investment in the basic infrastructure that serves our entire community. Better streets, safer sidewalks, improved parks and recreational facilities, and renewed public infrastructure benefit residents, businesses, and the future of Needles.

Vote YES on Measure L to repair, improve, and invest in Needles.

Janet Jernigan, Mayor of the City of Needles