

## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U.

**Measure U poses a serious threat to San Lorenzo Valley Water District and the safety of its residents.** Do you want safe, reliable water from your tap, sufficient water to fight the next wildfire? And prompt repairs to pipelines after damage from the next winter storms? If so, **vote NO.**

**Measure U will plunge the district into a serious financial crisis.** Damage from the CZU fires and winter storms is still being repaired. Projects are currently underway addressing low water pressure, insufficient fire hydrants, aging infrastructure, and undersized pipes.

If Measure U passes, many **capital improvement projects will come to a grinding halt.** **Firefighters will have inadequate waterflow** from old or nonexistent fire hydrants when facing the next fire, and already overworked **district staff won't have the resources to repair broken pipes** after the next storm.

By capping rate increases, Measure U will reduce annual revenue by about \$1.5M in the first year. **The shortfall will increase** precipitously in subsequent years until another rate increase is proposed, which will cost more money, take months, and may not be approved. FEMA *might* reimburse us for *some* disaster related damage, but **the District must fund the repairs first.** **Without reliable income** from fixed charges, the District **won't be able to borrow** enough money to do this work.

Measure U will *temporarily* save most residential ratepayers around \$17.32/month, but **in the long run it will cost them much more.** Broken pipes and leaky tanks are neither cost efficient nor ecological. **Just ask the customers of the Big Basin Water Company to understand the real costs of deferring maintenance.**

**Vote NO on Measure U if you expect safe, reliable, water** to flow from your tap when you want **to drink, shower, do laundry, water your garden, flush your toilet, or fight fires.**

For more information, visit [www.SaveSLVWater.com](http://www.SaveSLVWater.com)

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