



**League of Women Voters
of the Bay Area**



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**As your regional
League, the Bay
Area League of
Women Voters
has taken a
position to
support Regional
Measure 3 on our**

**upcoming June ballot. We have drafted a set of Pros &
Cons to inform you regarding the details of the issue
and refer you to the information available from the
proponents and opponents.**

Please feel free to share.

Thank you for all you do.

In partnership,

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Regional Measure 3

Regional Measure 3 (or RM 3) would increase Bay Area bridge tolls to fund significant transportation improvements and help solve some of the Bay Area's growing congestion problems. The measure is June ballot and would generate up to \$4.45 billion dollars to fund major transportation

project in the toll bridge corridors.

LWV BAY AREA PROS AND CONS

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Primary Election • June 5, 2018

In this primary election, California voters will find all candidates for state and federal elective offices on their ballots, regardless of the party preference of the candidates or of the voter. The two candidates who win the most votes in each contest will advance to the November general election—even if both are in the same political party, and even if one of them has received a majority of the votes for that office.

California voters will also decide on five state propositions, which are explained in this Pros & Cons. Propositions on the June primary ballot are placed there by action of the state Legislature and the Governor. Any qualified initiative measures, which are placed on the ballot through the petition and signature gathering process, will appear on the November General Election ballot. Visit VotersEdge.org to see everything on your ballot, your polling place, and to unbiased information on all your voting choices.

How to Evaluate Ballot Propositions

*Examine what the measure seeks to accomplish. Do you agree with those goals?

*Is the measure consistent with your ideas about government? Do you think the proposed changes will make things better?

*Who are the real sponsors and opponents of the measure? Check where the money is coming from on votersedge.org/ca

*Is the measure written well? Will it create conflicts in law that may require court resolution or interpretation? Is it "good government," or will it cause more problems than it will resolve?

*Does the measure create its own revenue source? Does it earmark, restrict, or obligate government revenues? If so, weigh the benefit of securing funding for this measure against the cost of reducing overall flexibility in the budget.

*Does the measure mandate a government program or service without addressing how it will be funded?

*Does the measure deal with one issue that can be easily decided by a YES or NO vote? Or, is it a complex issue that should be thoroughly examined in the legislative arena?

*If the measure amends the Constitution, consider whether it really belongs in the Constitution. Would a statute accomplish the same purpose? All constitutional amendments require voter approval; what we put into the Constitution would have to come back to the ballot to be changed.

*Be wary of distortion tactics and commercials that rely on the image but tell nothing of substance about the measure. Beware of half-truths.

Read our Recent Letter to Metropolitan Transportation Commission March 16, 2018

[Download Letter](#)

Remembering Mim Hawley

We are sad to inform you that long-time LWVBA Board member Mim Hawley passed away this week. More information on our facebook page [@lwvba](#)



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