

ST. VRAIN & LEFT HAND WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2010-2

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING 2010 BALLOT INITIATIVE NOS. 12 AND 21

WHEREAS, the St. Vrain & Left Hand Water Conservancy District (the "District") was organized April 19, 1971 as a non-profit water conservancy district under the Water Conservancy Act of the State of Colorado (Colorado Revised Statutes of 1973, Section 37-45-102 to 152, as amended); and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the District has served its constituents by protecting and preserving existing water rights within the St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Basins, encouraging improved water management, and supporting the development of additional storage for use within its two basins; and

WHEREAS, the District, as a quasi-municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Colorado with all powers thereof including the power to levy taxes against property within the District has, since its inception, levied and collected such property tax to fund its operations for the benefit of the citizens within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, without such revenue, the District would be unable to fulfill its core mission to the detriment of the citizens within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Colorado statute, the members of the Board of Directors of the District are appointed by state district court judges to represent the interests of Colorado citizens within the three counties which make up the District; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Ballot Initiative No. 12, if adopted, would prohibit the District from levying a mandatory fee or tax on property, which would so reduce the District's revenues that it could not fulfill its core mission to the detriment of the citizens within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Ballot Initiative No. 21, if adopted, would prohibit the State of Colorado from borrowing money for any purpose, and would severely restrict the ability of the District and its water rights conservation and land acquisition and its water activity enterprise funds to borrow money where appropriate for large capital projects; and


WHEREAS, in combination, 2010 Ballot Initiative Nos. 12 and 21, if adopted, would cripple the ability of the State of Colorado, the District, and local governments to provide essential services to the citizens of Colorado.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ST. VRAIN & LEFT HAND WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, THAT:

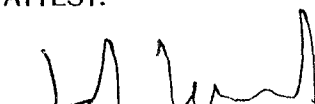
1. The District opposes the adoption of 2010 Ballot Initiative Nos. 12 and 21 because, if adopted, they would have severe negative effects on the citizens of the State of Colorado.
2. The District's staff are authorized and directed to distribute and publish this Resolution to the extent permitted by applicable law.

3. This Resolution, as adopted by the Board, shall be numbered and recorded in the official records of the District.
4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of May, 2010.


Dennis Yanchunas, President

ATTEST:


John Zweck, Secretary