

Scare tactics and smear campaigns do not protect the people of San Bernardino County.

Of course fire protection and emergency services are important. That's why we're angry that in the last eight years, salaries and benefits have grown while 17 local fire stations have been closed.

County Fire's Administration Budget *alone* grew from \$20 million to \$60 million since 2014. The *entire* \$40 million collected from the yearly FP-5 tax has been consumed by administrative overhead.

Sounds like fat to us!

Opponents call the Measure a "tax dodge." Yet the FP-5 tax was adopted in a sneaky maneuver that side-stepped our constitutional right to approve a special tax. That's why the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association supports this Measure. This is about the people's right to choose when and for what purpose they should be taxed.

The Constitution requires a two-thirds approval from *the people*. Other than 1,022 voters in a small desert community, not a single county resident *approved* the FP-5 tax.

This tax is unfair. Some residents pay it and some do not. Large property? Small property? Senior citizen living on a fixed income? A large multi-national corporation? Everyone pays the same.

This measure was put on the ballot by thousands of citizens who petitioned for a chance to overturn this unfair tax and curb bloated county budgets.

Vote YES to force county leaders to develop an effective plan for fire protection services and put it before the voters.

Vote YES to repeal the FP-5 tax.

s/ Jon Coupal, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

s/ Robert Cable, San Antonio Heights Association


s/ Gary Daigneault, Owner, Z107.7 FM Community Radio for the Hi Desert

s/ David Jarvi, Voter

s/ Charles Pruitt, Voter

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