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The Soledad Unified School District's voters passed Measure C, a \$40 million General Obligation Bond, in November, 2012 for new construction and renovation of school facilities. It passed by a large margin of 75%. A 2/3 majority was required.

Since then, the District has been hard at work on facilities projects. Currently, the first priority is the Main Street Middle School (MSMS) Construction Project.

- The MSMS project includes a major new classroom building to replace the current older campus buildings.
- Increment 1 of the project was completed this spring, 2016 on time and on budget. Increment 1 included site grading and development on the existing playfields. This is where the new classroom building will be constructed as part of Increment 2.
- The District is now ensuring that the site is secured and ready for the next increment. This includes temporary fencing, tarp anchorage, dust control and weeding.
- Increment 2 consists of construction of the new classroom building on the old playfields. The architect has submitted the plans to the state for the required review. It typically takes several months for the State to review and approve the plans. Construction can only begin after all State plan approvals have been obtained. Currently we anticipate construction to start in early winter 2016/17.
- A later increment will involve demolition of the existing campus (except for a small building which may be used for Early Childhood Development) and restoration of the turf area where the old campus was.
- The District is working to update budget and expenditure reports and making sure that the project expenditures are tracked throughout the project.

- The District has expended \$5,294,941 as of June 30, 2016 for the Increment 1 Site Development Project, as well as the planning, programming and design of the project (both Increment 1 and Increment 2), and also the inspections, testing, surveys and engineering analyses that are required in order to provide a successful construction project. Detailed expenditure reports will be coming soon.

Other Facilities News:

- The District has received approximately \$2 million in Emergency Repair Program (ERP) funding approval, to be used only for appropriate repair projects at various school sites. The projects include roofing, paving and asphalt. The funds may only be used for the projects listed on the application. The District is currently reviewing past projects for possible reimbursement and potential future projects which could be funded out of the ERP allocation.
- The District is working to obtain its funding approval from the Proposition 39 Clean Energy and Job Creation Program. This program provides funding for eligible energy efficiency and conservation facility projects. The District will work to integrate these projects into the overall facility program in order to most efficiently utilize the funds and align them with District energy efficiency goals.
- The District is updating its eligibility for potential future State funding for new construction and modernization in light of the school facilities bond slated for a November, 2016 statewide vote. At this time, it is unknown what the amount of possible eligibility would be, if any.