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Midpen seeks local citizens to oversee use of Measure AA bond funds

Los Altos, CA— The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District seeks local community members to serve four-year terms on an independent citizen oversight committee ensuring transparency and accountability in the use of Measure AA funds.

Measure AA is a \$300 million bond approved by local voters in June 2014. Proceeds from bonds, sold over the next 20-30 years, are used by Midpen to preserve natural open space lands, create new public access opportunities and restore the natural environment.

There are currently three vacancies on the seven-member committee. Local residents interested in joining the Measure AA Bond Oversight Committee must apply before 5:00 p.m. on June 1. New committee members will be appointed by Midpen's Board of Directors, and must live within the boundaries of Midpen's service area which includes parts of San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties.

The Measure AA Bond Oversight Committee convenes several times a year to review and provide feedback on Midpen's use of Measure AA funds, the Measure AA expenditure plan and an annual Measure AA accountability report.

More information and applications are available at www.openspace.org/our-work/measure-aa/oversight

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Created by voter initiative in 1972, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District has successfully protected more than 63,000 acres of open space. Midpen is a California special district governed by an elected board of directors. Its mission is to acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land and agricultural land of regional significance in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment, and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education.

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