

VOTER'S PAMPHLET

LOCAL NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

The following pages may not contain a complete list of candidates. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot. Each statement is volunteered by, and (unless otherwise determined by the governing body) is printed at the expense of, the candidate.

Statement of **JAMES RAPOZA**, Candidate for
Director
San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Occupation: Retired Juvenile Hall Superintendent **Age:** 61

I have been a resident of the San Lorenzo Valley since 1972. I retired after 29 years of service with the Santa Cruz County Probation Department. I am a graduate of San Jose State. I have been involved in Water District issues since the early 1980's. I have served as a Water District Director for over 17 years. I was the Chairman of the Waterman Gap Citizen's Advisory Committee. I was elected by the other county special districts (water, fire, etc.) to represent them on the Santa Cruz County Local Agency Formation Commission.

I am committed to:

- The protection of the watershed and all sources of water
- The financial stability of the District
- Outstanding service to all Customers of the District
- Interagency cooperation for the good of the Customers of the District
- Improving and maintaining the distribution, storage and sources of the District
- Maintaining a fair and reasonable rate structure for all Customers
- Local control of water resources

I believe with my experience, I can continue to serve the District Customers well if elected to this office.

6132-001

Statement of **LAWRENCE (LARRY) A. PRATHER**, Candidate for
Director
San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Occupation: Director of Engineering **Age:** 51

I am an electronics engineer with 28 years experience in the Semiconductor Industry. While serving on the Waterman Gap Citizens Advisory Committee, I had the opportunity to learn from scientists, professionals, and environmentalists, and gained a better understanding of the watershed we live in. During my two terms of service on the Board of Directors I worked to protect Waterman Gap and acquire and preserve the Malosky Creek watershed to protect the district's surface water supply. I also worked to implement a capital equipment replacement fund, to initiate a 5-year capital improvement plan that will update the District's infrastructure, and to negotiate the deal for the acquisition of the Manana Woods mutual water works providing the district additional funds to offset needed infrastructure improvements. I support local control of the Felton Water Works and have been working diligently to assist the citizens in their efforts to acquire the Felton (Cal Am) system. I would appreciate your consideration for Water Board Director so that I may continue this important work.

6132-003