

Novato Sanitary District  
 District Secretary  
 500 Davidson Street  
 Novato, CA 94945

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The Novato Sanitary District (District) Board of Directors (Board) has initiated the process to change from the District’s current at-large election system to by-district elections to conform with the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA). On April 1, 2019, the Board took action to adopt District Resolution No. 3131 – “Resolution Declaring the Intent to Initiate Procedures to Transition From At-Large Elections to District-Based Elections (By Zone) Pursuant to the California Voting Rights Act and Taking Related Actions”. The following schedule is proposed to hold the required minimum of five (5) public hearings to transition to district (or zone) elections, but may be subject to change.

**NOVATO SANITARY DISTRICT**  
*Proposed Timeline for Consideration and Implementation of District-Based Elections*

| <b>DATE</b>   | <b>EVENT</b>   | <b>COMMENT</b>   |
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| Monday, April 1, 2019   | Board adopts Resolution declaring its intention to transition from at-large to by-district (zone) elections (Special Meeting).                     |  |
| Monday, April 8, 2019   | 1st Public Hearing (Regular Meeting)   | No maps for review, but take public comments on composition of districts (zones) and preference for zone lines.  |
| Monday, April 15, 2019  | 2nd Public Hearing (Special Meeting)   | No maps for review, but take public comments on composition of districts (zones) and preference for zone lines.  |
| By Monday, April 29, 2019   | Publish draft map(s) for at least seven (7) days before 3 <sup>rd</sup> public hearing   | Publication can be on website and posting in other places  |
| Monday, May 6, 2019   | 3rd Public Hearing (Special Meeting)<br><br>Publish for review any new or amended district election maps and potential sequence of elections.      | Take public comments on proposed maps; engage in line drawing as desired.<br><br>Maps must be available for review at least 7 days before consideration at the 4th public hearing.         |
| Tuesday, May 28, 2019 (as Monday, Memorial Day, is a District holiday). | 4th Public Hearing (Special Meeting)<br><br>Publish for review new or amended district election maps (if any) and potential sequence of elections. | Take public comments on proposed maps; final line drawing as desired.<br><br><i>- If selected map is amended, ordinance cannot be adopted until 7 days after amended map is published.</i> |
| Monday, June 10, 2019   | 5th Public Hearing (Regular Meeting)   | Board adopts ordinance establishing by-district elections  |

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