



HOPE Coalition

Humboldt Organized for People and the Environment



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Recommendations

Y = Yes	N = No	Proposition	13	14	15	16	17
		Los Angeles Times	Y	Y		N	N
		San Francisco Chronicle	Y	Y	Y	N	N
		Sacramento Bee	Y		N	N	N
		San Francisco Bay Guardian	Y	N	Y	N	N
		Calif. Labor Federation (AFL-CIO)	Y	N	Y	N	N
		CA Federation of Teachers					N
		CA State PTA					
		CA Teachers Assoc.		N			
		CA Democratic Party	Y	N	Y	N	N
		CA Republican Party	Y	N	N	Y	Y
		Green Party of CA		N	Y	N	N
		CA Libertarian Party		N			
		Peace & Freedom Party		N		N	N
		League of CA Cities (Board of Directors)				N	
		CA League of Women Voters			Y	N	
		AFSCME State Council					
		Calif. Young Democrats	N	N	Y	N	N
		CA Chamber of Commerce	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
		Consumer Federation of CA			Y	N	N
		Calif. League of Conservation Voters		N	Y	N	
		CA Council of Churches	Y	N	Y	N	N
		Capitol Resource Inst. (Christian Coalition)					
		CA Friends Comm. on Legislation (Quakers)	Y		Y	N	N
		CA National Organization for Women	Y	N	Y	N	N
		ACLU of Northern Calif.		N			
		Sierra Club CA			Y	N	
		Planning & Conservation League					
		CA Farm Bureau	Y	Y	N	N	
		CA Nurses Assoc.	N	N	Y	N	N
		CA Planned Parenthood					
		Congress of CA Seniors		N			N
		AARP		Y	Y	N	
		Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assoc.	Y	N	N		
		CA Taxpayers Assoc.	Y		N	Y	
		My Vote					
		Proposition	13	14	15	16	17

The Propositions

<p>13. Limits on Property Tax Assessment. Seismic Retrofitting of Existing Buildings—State of California (Legislative Constitutional Amendment - Put on the Ballot by the Legislature - Majority Approval Required)</p> <p>Should the California Constitution be amended to provide that all earthquake safety upgrades be exempt from property tax reassessment until the property is sold? <i>Earthquake safety improvements made to unreinforced masonry (such as brick) buildings would not result in higher property taxes until the property is sold.</i></p>
<p>14. Elections. Increases Right to Participate in Primary Elections—State of California (Legislative Constitutional Amendment - Put on the Ballot by the Legislature - Majority Approval Required)</p> <p>Should the California Constitution be amended to require that all candidates for statewide or congressional office run in a single primary open to all registered voters, with only the top two vote-getters, regardless of their political party preference, advancing to the general election? <i>All voters would receive the same primary election ballot for most state and federal offices. Only the two candidates with the most votes - regardless of political party identification - would advance to the general election ballot.</i></p>
<p>15. California Fair Elections Act—State of California (Put on the Ballot by the Legislature - Majority Approval Required)</p> <p>Should California lift the ban on public funding of political campaigns and establish public funding for Secretary of State candidates in the 2014 and 2018 elections? <i>The state ban on funding for political campaigns for elected offices would be lifted. For the 2014 and 2018 elections, candidates for the office of Secretary of State could choose to receive public funds to pay for the costs of campaigns if they reached certain requirements. Charges related to lobbyists would be increased to pay for these costs.</i></p>
<p>16. Imposes New Two-Thirds Voter Approval Requirement for Local Public Electricity Providers—State of California (Initiative Constitutional Amendment - Put on the Ballot by Petition Signatures - Majority Approval Required)</p> <p>Should the California Constitution be amended to require two-thirds voter approval before local governments can start up or expand electric service? <i>Local governments would generally be required to receive two-thirds voter approval before they could start up electricity services and or expand electricity service into a new territory.</i></p>
<p>17. Allows Auto Insurance Companies to Base Their Prices in Part on a Driver's History of Insurance Coverage—State of California (Initiative Statute - Put on the Ballot by Petition Signatures - Majority Approval Required)</p> <p>Should insurance companies be permitted to reduce or increase the cost of auto insurance depending on whether a driver has a history of continuous insurance coverage? <i>Insurance companies could offer new customers a discount on their automobile insurance premiums based on the length of time a customer has maintained bodily injury liability coverage with another insurer.</i></p>

See LWV's www.smartvoter.org for complete voting info.

Last day registered voters can **pick up** absentee ballots at the Humboldt County Office of Elections, 3555 Harris St, Eureka 707-445-7678: **Mon. June 7, '10**

Last day to register to vote: **Mon. May 24, '10**

Last day county elections officials will receive applications for absentee ballots to be **mailed to** registered voters: **Tues. June 1, '10.**

Election day: **Tues. June 8, '10**

Where do I vote? For info on your registration status & polling place, call the **Humboldt County Elections Office 707-445-7678.**

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PEACE NEWS

Saturday, May 15: Dinner with Vietnam Vet and Author, Suel D. Jones. Jones will discuss his book, "Meeting the Enemy: a Marine Goes Home" about his transformation on a return to Vietnam as a volunteer. Seating is limited; reservations strongly encouraged. Sponsored by Vets for Peace. \$10 – 20. Reservations and info: 826-0536.

ENTERTAINMENT, CELEBRATIONS, & CULTURE

Friday, May 14: Arcata Sculpture Walks, a walking tour of permanent art installations throughout the city. Maps are available at the start of the walk, 4 pm on the west side of the Arcata Transit Station, or online at www.arcatawalks.com.

Saturday, May 15: Cinco de Mayo Festival. Parade down Ferndale's Main Street at 11 am, followed by Mexican Folkloric Dancing, authentic Mexican food and Mariachi music at Belotti Hall, Humboldt County Fairgrounds, noon - 3 pm. Info: 786-9668.

Saturday and Sunday, May 15 and 16: Humboldt Arts Festival, "A Celebration of Humboldt County Art and Culture." Continuous live music, dance and circus performances, arts and crafts, food vendors and a sculpture garden. I Street between 9th and 10th and 10th Street between I and J in Arcata. Noon – 10 pm Saturday, noon – 5 pm Sunday. Info: www.humboldtartsfestival.com.

Monday, May 17: Open Mike at Poets on the Plaza. Original poetry, 5-minute time limit, no music. All ages. \$1 donation. 8 pm, sign-up 7:30 pm at the Plaza Grill View Room, 2nd Floor at the Jacoby Storehouse in Arcata.

Tuesday, May 18: A1AA Film Series: "Young at Heart." Celebrate Older Americans Month with this documentary about a group of seniors (average age 81) who rehearse and perform modern rock songs. (Editor's note: This is a great film!) Free. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Wednesday, May 19: Free Performance by Spare Change, a group of young people from Humboldt County high schools who work to educate their peers about healthy relationships and the responsibilities that go with them (a program of Six Rivers Planned Parenthood). 6:30 pm at the Eureka Women's Club, 1531 J St, Eureka. Info: 445-2018.

Thursday, May 20: Bike to Work Day – Arcata. Ride a bike and wear a helmet for a free cup of coffee and a pastry from 6:30 – 9 am at the Arcata Co-op. Info: 269-2061.

Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22; The Eureka Symphony Presents "Two Views of America," featuring "Appalachian Spring" by Aaron Copland and "Afro-American Symphony" by William Grant Still. 8 pm at the Center for the Performing Arts in Eureka. \$16, \$9. Info: 442-1956.

Saturday, May 22: Brew at the Zoo. Sample beers from Humboldt and Mendocino breweries and groove to live music by Kulica and Ukesperience. Pub fare available. 6 - 10 pm at the Sequoia Park Zoo in Eureka. \$25. 21 and over. Info: 442-5649.

Saturday, May 22: KHSU's 50th Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Auction with special guest, NPR's Carl Kasell. Doors open at 6 pm at the Arcata Community Center. Dinner by Abruzzi Catering. \$50. Info: 826-6059 or www.khsu.org.

Sunday, May 23: Senior Sunday at the Morris Graves. Enjoy a Museum Tour with trained docents to learn about the Museum's history, permanent collection, and current exhibitions while sipping tea and meeting new friends! Free. 2 pm at the Morris Graves Museum, 636 F St., Eureka. Info: 442-0278.

Tuesday, May 25: John Schaefer & Judi Rose's slideshow of their recent trip to Cuba. 7 pm at the Arcata Playhouse. Donations accepted to defray theater rental cost. Info: Judi Rose, rosebuds@humboldt1.com.

Saturday, May 29: "Flow," an Arcata Arts Institute Runway Event. Clothing designed, constructed and modeled by Arcata High's AAI students. 8 pm at the D Street Community Center, Arcata. \$ 20. Info: 825-2400.

Saturday – Monday, May 29 - 31: Kinetic Grand Championship, starting Saturday with sculpture-viewing at 10:30 am at the Arcata Plaza, race start at noon and continuing through to Ferndale's Main Street on Monday. Schedule and info at: www.kineticgrandchampionship.com.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & ALL AGES

Saturday, May 15: READ with a Dog, a special program for children to practice reading and communication skills with trained dogs and their handlers. Call ahead to reserve a time slot. Free. 1:30 – 3 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Tuesday, May 18: Share A Story "I Love Bugs," short video, stories, and crafts. A free book is available for each participating family. 6:30 pm at the Trinidad Branch Library. Info: 677-0227 or www.humlib.org.

Wednesday, May 19: Family Literacy Night with Shea Freelove, Intercontinental Super Clown, performing hilarious antics, interactive storytelling, juggling, magic tricks, circus acrobatics and comedy. A free book will be available for each family. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Thursday, May 20: Share A Story "I Love Bugs," short video, stories, and crafts. A free book is available for each participating family. 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 7th St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

Local Sierra Club Group Offering Camp Scholarships. Four "Camperships" are available for children in grades 4th through 8th to attend Wolf Creek Education Center in Orick, Redwood National & State Parks in July or August. The camps will feature hiking, science classes, and evenings around the campfire. The deadline for receipt of applications is Monday, May 17. For more information or to obtain an application form, call 442-5444 or e-mail sueleskiw@suddenlink.net.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Saturday, May 15: Eureka Dunes Protected Area Restoration. Join the Dune Ecosystem Restoration Team for a morning of invasive plant removal. Tools, gloves and cookies provided; bring water and wear comfortable work clothes. 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. Meet at the Manila Community Center. Info: 444-1397 or visit www.friendsofthedunes.org.

Saturday, May 15: River Cleanup Day. Clean trash and debris from the banks of Warren Creek, a tributary to the Mad River. The Northcoast Environmental center will provide trash bags and gloves. A picnic for the volunteers will follow the cleanup. Meet at Pump Station #4 at 10:30 am. Info: 822-6918 or www.yournec.org.

Sunday, May 23: Azalea Reserve Plant Walk with Pete Haggard. See many of our native plants that are recommended for gardens, both shrubs and herbs, including the native azalea, which should be blooming. Take North Bank Rd. off 101 just north of the Mad River; after a little more than one mile turn left on Azalea Dr., and shortly after that, left into the parking lot. Pete Haggard 839-0307

Friends Of The Dunes Announces The Release Of The 2010 Humboldt Bay Beaches, Dunes And Wetlands Map And Guide.

Free guides are available at area visitor locations or on-line at: www.friendsofthedunes.org. The public may also request a free guide by sending a self-addressed, #10 envelope with 61¢ postage to: Friends of the Dunes, P.O. Box 186, Arcata, CA 95518. Info: 444-1397.

Saturdays, Ongoing: Free tours of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. Rain-or-shine, docent-led field trips. Meet with binoculars in the parking lot at the south end of I Street in Arcata at 8:30 am.

Saturdays, Ongoing: Friends of the Arcata Marsh Docent-Led Walks. A 90-minute, docent-led walk focusing on different topics of the marsh. 2 pm at the Interpretive Center on South G St. Info: 826-2359.

JUNE 8 ELECTION - CANDIDATE FORUMS

Thursday, May 20: 5th District Supervisor Candidate Roundtable. Presented by KHUM and the North Coast Journal and moderated by NCJ Staff Writer Ryan Burns. Aired live at 6 pm on KHUM, 104.3/104.7 FM. Info: 786-5486.

MISCELLANEOUS

Monday, May 24: Last Day to Register to Vote for the June 8 Election. Mailed in registration just needs to be postmarked by this date. Info: http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_vr.htm or at your local library or post office.

TALK SHOWS, COMMENTARY, & MEDIA SPECIALS

"Thursday Night Talk" hosted by David Cobb of Democracy Unlimited airs every Thursday 7:30 - 8:30 pm on KHSU FM 90.5. It is a live call-in show, so it's a great way to have your opinion heard by thousands of listeners. The studio line is 826-4805.

"Conversation with Paul Mann," a new public affairs program covering national and international issues with local guests and callers. Tuesday evenings from 7:30 - 8:30 on KHSU FM 90.5. Studio line: 826-4805.

Bill Moyers Journal Interviews and news analysis on a wide range of issues. PBS, KEET TV Channel 13 on Fridays at 9 pm and Wednesdays at 11:30 am, or on the Internet at www.pbs.org/moyers/journal. Info: 445-0813 or www.keet.org.



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Newsletter, **May 11, '10**. Vol. 16, Number 7. Published semi-monthly on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays; **next May 25, '10**. For calendar items PO Box 385, Arcata 95518 or e-mail to hopecoalition@igc.org. **Next deadline. May 20, '10**. Write or e-mail for sample newsletter. Newsletter volunteers: Dave Keniston, Mara Segal, Mayer Segal, Michael Welch, Paloma Orinoco. Web site: www.hopecoalition.org.

National Day of Climate Call-In
(But if you cannot do it that day, do it any day you can.)

From Public Citizen: **Activists around the country are joining together on Thursday, April 29** to call their senators and **demand a real climate bill**—one that protects people and the planet, not polluters.

An energy bill being drafted by Senators John Kerry, Lindsey Graham and Joe Lieberman would reportedly roll back the Clean Air Act and contain large loopholes and polluter giveaways, all in exchange for pollution restrictions far weaker than what scientists say are needed to protect our climate. However, Senator Graham recently pulled his support for the bill, which provides us with a new opportunity to call for something better.

Will you join us tomorrow by participating in this important event?

- 1) **Call** the offices of **your state's two U.S. senators**, one at a time, via the congressional switchboard, at (202) 224-3121.
- 2) Once you have someone on the phone, **deliver the following message:**

"Hi, this is NAME calling from TOWN, CITY OR COUNTY. I would like to relay my concerns about the Kerry-Graham-Lieberman energy bill, which Sen. Kerry has indicated would roll back the Clean Air Act and contain loopholes and polluter giveaways. Since Senator Graham has pulled his support from the bill, the Senate has an opportunity to go a different direction. I urge it to do so. Please pass a real climate bill -- one that maintains all existing Clean Air Act protections. A climate bill should protect people and planet, not polluters. Can I count on SENATOR to pledge to support such a bill, and oppose any Clean Air Act rollbacks?"

For more National Climate Call-in Day resources go to www.tinyurl.com/NatCallInDay.

- 3) After you have made each call, please report your results using the form at www.tinyurl.com/SenatorReport, so we can track how each Senate office is responding.
- 4) **Please spread the word** and encourage your friends to call their senators too.

Thank you for helping us send a clear message to the Senate: Pass a climate bill that protects people and the planet, not polluters

--- HOPE Coalition Needs Your Support ---

The Objective of the HOPE Coalition:

To synthesize & promote the individual visions of the organizations that make up Humboldt's environmentally & socially just community. These include, but are not limited to, the following organizations: Environmental, Social Justice, Peace, Labor, & Human Service.

Yes, I would like to help support the HOPE Coalition's newsletter and other efforts:

- \$25 \$50 \$100
 \$500 \$15 \$_____ other

Make checks to payable to: HOPE Coalition.

I wish to receive newsletter by

- US mail Email Both

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

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The HOPE Coalition Newsletter is available in Arcata at: the Co-op, & the Northcoast Environmental Center; at the main Humboldt, Arcata, McKinleyville, and Trinidad libraries; and at the Senior Center in Eureka.