

LWVBA VOTER
March 2008

Update from LWV Bay Area

Bay Area League Day was a big success! Around 100 members and guests attended our regional meeting in Oakland on February 22, 2008. We learned about how climate change will affect our region and that transportation sources cause 50% of the carbon emissions. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission's current update of the regional plan will address solutions that attempt to improve transit services and reliability, relieve congestion, and reduce vehicle miles traveled by automobiles and trucks. Insufficient funding for these projects is an issue, and various pricing options were discussed, as well as how these pricing strategies would affect lower income residents or those who need their vehicles for their employment. Finally, examples of ways to improve bicycle and pedestrian access were given, including Safe Routes to Schools.

The League of Women Voters of the Bay Area Convention will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2008 in Santa Clara County (location is still pending). The charge will be \$10 per person. This is our business meeting where we elect new officers, adopt a budget, decide priorities for the next two-year cycle, and hear reports about what the LWVBA has done on behalf of the 20 local Leagues in our region.

Linda Craig, President
LWV of the Bay Area

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LWVBA Meeting Date 2008

LWV Bay Area Convention —Saturday, May 31, 2008

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Web Sites:

Bay Area Monitor: <http://www.bayareamonitor.org>

LWVC: <http://www.ca.lwv.org>

LWVBA: <http://www.lwvbayarea.org>

LWVUS: <http://www.lwv.org>

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