### LAND-SECURED FINANCING CURRENT TOPICS AND PRACTICES



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CURRENT PRACTICES AND STRATEGIES – PART TWO:

MITIGATING RISK AND MANAGING LARGE, LONG-TERM PROJECTS

# Timing the Bond Issuance relative to development momentum and property value

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- Things to Consider:
  - Value of Property
  - Development Risk
  - Entitlement Status
  - Environmental Regulations
  - Bond Market Conditions
  - Development Agreement provisions (if any)
  - Local Goals & Policies
  - Past Practices of your Public Agency

## Development Stage & Land Secured Bonds

#### **STAGE 3**

Fully Built-Out
High Values
Special Tax Collection History
Lowest Bond Rate

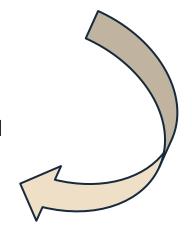
#### STAGE 1

Raw Land
Low Values
High Development Risk
Developer Financing in Place
Highest Bond Rate

### STAGE 2

Pre-Sale Activity

Lower Bond Rate



## Recent Stage 1 CFD Bond Issue

NEW ISSUE - BOOK-ENTRY ONLY

NO RATING

In the opinion of Norton Rose Fulbright US.L.P, Los Angeles, California, Band Counsel, under existing law, and assuming compilance with the tax covenants described herein, interest on the Bands is excluded pursuant to section 103(a) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986 from the gross brown of the owners thereof for federal tix one tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. It is also the opinion of Band Counsel that under existing law interest on the Bands is exempt from personal income texes of the State of California. See "TAX MATTERS" have



\$5,960,000

RANCHO MURIETA CSD

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2014-1
(RANCHO NORTH/MURIETA GARDENS)
SPECIAL TAX BONDS, 2015 SERIES
(BANK QUALIFIED)

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: September 1, as shown on the Inside front cover

The Rancho Muritat C5D Community Facilities District No. 2014.1 (Rancho Morth/Muritat Gardens) Special Tax Bonds, 2015 Series (Bank Qualified) (the "Bonds") see being issued by the Rancho Muritat C5D Community Facilities District No. 2014.1 (Rancho North/Muritat Gardens) (the "CFD"), pursuant to a Fiscal Agent Agreement distocal of January, 1, 2015 (the "Fiscal Agent Agreements"), by and between the CFD and Willmington Trust, N.A., as fiscal agent (the "Fiscal Agent"), and will be secured as described herein. The Bonds are being issued to (b) finance certain public improvements, including, but not limited to a portion of improvements to the District's Water Treatment Plant #1 (including reimbursement of certain developer deposts related thereto), (ii) fund a reserve account for the Bonds, (iii) fund administrative expenses of the CFD, (iv) fund capitalized interest on the Bonds for 24 months commencing on the date of delivery of the Bonds, and (v) pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds. See "THE FINANCING PLAN" herein. The CFD was established by and is located within the boundaries of the Rancho Murieta Community Services District (the "District") in Secramento County, California.

The Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable on each March 1 and September 1, commencing September 1, 2015 (the "Interest Payment Date; by the Commencing September 1, 2015 (the "Interest Payment Date; by the Record Date immediately preceding such such Interest Payment Date; by check mailed on such Interest Payment Date; by wire transfer to an account in the United States of America made upon instructions of any. Owner of \$1,200,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Bonds. The Bonds, while such colleges of the Bonds of Bonds. The Bonds will be engisted in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds will be made in bootenty form only. Principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds will be payable by DTC through the DTC participants. See "THE BONDS - Book-Entry System" herein. Purchasers of the Bonds will not receive physical delivery of the Bonds purchased by them.

#### The Bonds are subject to optional redemption, mandatory sinking fund redemption and special mandatory redemption from Special Tax prepayments prior to maturity as set forth herein. See "THE BONDS - Redemption" herein.

The Bonds are limited obligations of the CFD. The Bonds are payable solely from the Special Taxes (as defined herein) to be levied on and collected from the owners of the taxable land within the CFD, and from certain other funds pledged under the Fiscal Agent Agreement, all as further described herein. The Special Taxes are to be levied according to a Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax approved by the qualified electors within the CFD on September 5, 2014.

NEITHER THE FAITH AND CREDIT NORTHE TAXING POWER OF THE DISTRICT. THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF IS PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS. EXCEPT FOR THE SPECIAL TAXES AND CERTAIN OTHER FUNDS PLEDGED UNDER THE FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT, NO OTHER REVENUES OR TAXES ARE PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS. THE BONDS ARE NOT GENERAL OR SPECIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT, BUT ARE LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE CFD PAYABLE SOLELY FROM SPECIAL TAXES AND AMOUNTS HELD UNDER THE FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT AS MORE PULLY DESCRIBED HERIN.

THE PURCHASE OF THE BONDS IS AN INVESTMENT SUBJECT TO A HIGH DEGREE OF RISK, INCLUDING THE RISK OF NOMPAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST. SEE "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" HEREIN FOR A DISCUSSION OF SUCH FACTORS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED, IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER MATTERS SET FORTH HEREIN, IN EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT QUALITY OF THE BONDS.

This cover page contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not a complete summary of the Bonds. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

MATURITY SCHEDULE (See Inside Cover Page)

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to approved as to their legality by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP. Los Angeles. California, Bond Counsel, and certain other conditions. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the District by Richard P. Shanahan, Esq., General Counsel to the District, with respect to the issuance of the Bonds, and for the Underwriter by Standling Yocco Carlson & Routh, a Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California, as Underwriter's Counsel. It is anticipated that the Bonds will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC on ar doubt calmary 29, 2018.





# Recent Stage 1 CFD Bond Issues pertinent ADVISOR COMMISSION

- Overview of Rancho Murieta CSD CFD No. 2014-1(2015 Series)
  - \$5,960,000 par
  - 828 Gross Acres
  - 412.8 net taxable acreage at build-out
  - Ratio of Appraised Value to lien is 3.71:1
  - 30 year bonds with a 4.75% Coupon to yield 4.862% in 2044
  - Fully funded Debt Service Reserve Fund
- Other recent Stage 1 CFD Bond issues
  - □ Roseville Westbrook CFD No. 1 \$14,535,000
  - □ River Islands CFD No. 2003-1 Series 2015 B \$32,345,000

## Recent Stage 2 CFD Bond Issue

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OBATINGS

In the opinion of Plutan & Tucker, LLP, Bond Counsel to the District, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, using a sand court decisions, and assuming, among other matters, compliance with certain coverants, interest on the Series 2014. Bands is excluded from grass income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the internal Revenue Code of 1966 and is exempt from State of California personal income taxes. In the fur ther apinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Series 2014 Bands is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal individual or corporate alternative minimum taxes, although Band Counsel observes that such interest is included in adjutted current earnings when calculating corporate alternative minimum taxable income. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any other tax consequences relating to the ownership or disposition of an the accurate or receipt of interest on the Series 2014 Bands. Ser "CONCULDING INFORMATION. Textemption" herein.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF ORANGE



## \$72,700,000 CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2013-3 (GREAT PARK) IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 1 SPECIAL TAX BONDS, SERIES 2014

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: September 1, as shown on inside cover page

The City of Irvine Community Facilities District No. 2013-3 (Great Park) Improvement Area No. 1, Special Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bonds") are being issued under the Mello-Roos Community Facilities District No. 2013-3 (Great Park) (the "District") and Wels Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and are payable from Special Tax Revenues (as defined herein) derived from Special Taxes (as defined herein) derived from Special Tax Revenues on parity with the Series 2014 Bonds in any be issued by the District as described herein. The Series 2014 Bonds and as you such Additional Bonds are of the Special Taxes (as described herein).

The Series 2014 Bonds are being issued to provide funds (a) to pay the costs of the acquisition and construction of certain public facilities necessary for the development of the District, (b) to fund a reserve fund for the Series 2014 Bonds, (c) to pay a portion of the interest on the Series 2014 Bonds through March 1, 2017, (d) to pay certain administrative expenses relating to the Series 2014 Bonds, and (e) to pay the costs of issuing the Series 2014 Bonds, see "ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS" herein.

The Series 20.4 Bonds are being issued in fully registered book-entry only form, initially registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, NewYork, NewYork ("DTC"). Interest on the Series 2014 Bonds is payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2015. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Series 2014 Bonds. Individual purchases will be in principal amounts of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof Principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the Series 2014 Bonds will be paid by the Trustee to DTC for subsequent both Subsequent to DTC Participants who are obligated to remit such payments to the beneficial owners of the Series 2014 Bonds. See Appendix G —"BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM."

The Series 2014 Bonds are subject to optional and mandatory redemption prior to maturity as described herein. See "THE SERIES 2014 BONDS – Redemption of the Series 2014 Bonds" herein.

THE BONDS ARE SPECIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT, PAYABLE, AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, SOLELY FROM SPECIAL TAX REVENUES AND THE OTHER ASSETS PLEDGED THEREFOR THEREUNDER. NEITHER THE FAITH AND CREDIT NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE DISTRICT (EXCEPT TO THE LIMITED EXTENT SET FORTHINTHE INDENTURE), THE CITY OF IRVINEOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, IS PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS.

MATURITY SCHEDULE See Inside Cover Page

Investment in the Series 2014 Bonds involves risks which may not be appropriate for some investors. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" for a discussion of certain risk factors that should be considered, in addition to the other matters set forth herein, in evaluating the investment quality of the Series 2014 Bonds. This cover page comains information for quick reference only. It is not a complete summary of the Series 2014 Bonds. Investors should read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

The Series 2014 Bonds are affered when, as and if issued and delivered to the Underwriter, subject to the approval as to their validity by Rutan & Tucker, LLP, Bond Coursel to the District, and subject to certain other conditions. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriter by its counsel Stradling Yocca Carison & Rauth, a Professional Corporation. Newport Beach, California, for the City and the District by Rutan & Tucker, LLP, Costa Mesa, California, City Attorney and for Heritage Fields El Tann, LLC by Goadwin Practer ILP, Las Angeles, California, Orrick, Herrington & Subcliffe LLP is acting is disclasure counsel in connection with the Series 2014 Bonds will be available for delivery in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC in New York, New York on or about August 28, 2014.





# Recent Stage 2 CFD Bond Issue pertinent facts



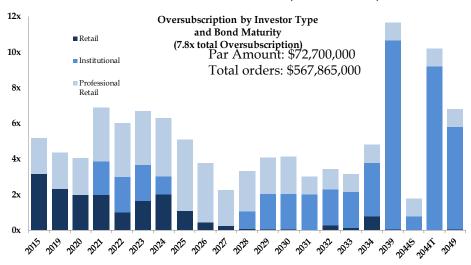
- Overview of City of Irvine CFD No. 2013-3 (Great Park)
   Improvement Area No. 1(Series 2014)
  - **572,700,000** par
  - 172 Gross Acres
  - 93 net taxable acreage at build-out
  - Ratio of Appraised Value to lien is 6.50:1 (Incudes Overlapping Debt)
  - 35 year bonds with a 5.00% Coupon to yield 4.34% in 2049
  - Fully funded Debt Service Reserve Fund



#### Large, multi-phased project

- Maximum authorization of \$1.6 billion
- Issuance expected to be staggered over 5 years
- 2014 investor site tour and presentation
  - Goal is to build a "following" for the program
  - 15 analysts from high-yield funds throughout the country and many Stifel sales executives
- Strong investor reception for the sale
  - 22 institutional orders, extensive retail orders
  - 6 institutions and 2 money managers from tour

#### Sale Result CFD No. 2013-3 (Great Park) IA #1



Standish Mellon American Century MacKay Shields BlackRock Mainline West TRowe Price Capital Research Manulife Financial Williams Jones Columbia Mass Financial WNI Eaton Vance Nuveen **Federated** NWO 22 Institutions Franklin Oppenheimer Placed Final Invesco Principal Orders Lord Abbett Putnam

The underlined names represent firms that attended the site visit and presentation. Additionally, two important institution-like investment advisors attended and placed orders for the bonds: Bel Air Investment Advisors and Charles Fish Investments.

## Recent Stage 3 CFD Bond Issue

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NO RATING

In the opinion of Best Best & Krieger LLP, Reverside, California, Bond Counsel, subject to certain qualifications described in the Official Statement, under existing statutes, regulations, rules and court decisions, and assuming certain representations and compliance with certain coverants and requirements described in the Official Statement, the interest on the Bonds is excluded from grass income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations, although for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations, such interest is token into account in determining certain income and earnings. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, such interest is exempt from California personal income taxes. See "TAX MATTERS" hereal.



### COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 33 (EASTVALE AREA) OF JURUPA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT \$8,265,000 IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 1 SPECIAL TAX BONDS, 2014 SERIES A

\$7,600,000 IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 2 SPECIAL TAX BONDS, 2014 SERIES A

#### Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: September 1, as shown on inside front cover

This Official Statement describes two separate and distinct bond issues (the "Bonds") that are being issued by Community Facilities District No. 33 (fastable Area) of Jurupa Community Services District (the "Community Facilities District" or the "District") primarily to finance various public improvements needed to develop property foxcated within its improvement Area No. 1 and No. 2. The bonds being issued for Improvement Area No. 1 are comerimes referred to in this Official Statement as the "Improvement Area No. 1 and the bonds being issued for Improvement Area No. 2 bonds". Collectively, the Improvement Area No. 2 bonds Area No. 2 bonds are referred to in this Official Statement as the "Bondss". Collectively, the Improvement Area No. 2 bonds are referred to in this Official Statement as the "Bondss". The Community Facilities District has been formed by and is located in the Jurupa Community Services District (the "Services District") within the City of East Valle, Reverside County, California.

The Bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended the "Act"). The Improvement Area No. 1 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act, Jurupa Community Services District and U.S. Bank National Association, as fiscal agent (the "Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2014, by and between the Services District and U.S. Bank National Association, as fiscal agent (the "Fiscal Agent Agreement"). The Improvement Area No. 1 Bonds (the "Improvement Area No. 1 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act, the Bestolition and the Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2014, by and between the Services District and the Fiscal Agent, relating to the Improvement Area No. 2 Bonds show the Improvement Area No. 2 Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2014, by and between the Services District and the Fiscal Agent, relating to the Improvement Area No. 2 Fiscal Agent Agreement, and the Agent Agreement, and the Agent Agreement, and the Agent Agent Agent Agreement (and the Agent Agen

The Bonds for each Improvement Area are payable on a parity with any Parity Bonds (as defined in the respective Fiscal Agent Agreement) issued on behalf of the applicable improvement Area in the future. Parity Bonds is an improvement Area may only be issued to refund the Bonds or any outstanding Parity Bonds is suited for the benefit of that Improvement Area. See "SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS" and "THE BONDS" — Its answer of Additional Bonds for Refunding Only."

The Bonds are issuable in fully registered form and when issued will be registered in the name of Code &Co, as isominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (PITC\*). Individual purchases may be made in integral multiples of \$50,000 and will be in book ontry from only Purchasers of Bonds will not receive certificates expresenting their beneficial ownership of the Bonds but will receive certificates expresenting their beneficial ownership of the Bonds but will receive certificates expresenting their beneficial ownership of the Bonds but will receive certificate in the Bonds will not be transferable or exchangeable except for transfer to another nominee. The Cor as otherwise discribed in the Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Fical Agent to DCT for subsequent to DTC participants who are obligated to remit such payments to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See "THE BONDS — General Provisions,"— Book Entry Only System" and APPENDIX G—THIS ONLY THE DISCROPT TRUST COMPANY AND ITS BOOK ENTRY SYSTEM.

Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Services District, the County, the City of Eastvale, the State of California or any potential subdivision of such entities is pledged to the payment of the Bonds. Except for the Special Taxes levied in the upplicable Improvement Area, no other toxes are pledged to the payment of the Bonds. The Bonds are special obligations of the District payable short processed levies within the applicable Improvement Area and certain other amounts held under the Fiscal Agent Agreements as more fully described in the Official Statement.

The Bonds are subject to optional redemption, mandatory redemption prior to maturity from special tax prepayments and mandatory sinking fund redemption as described in the Official Statement. See "THE BONDS — Redemption."

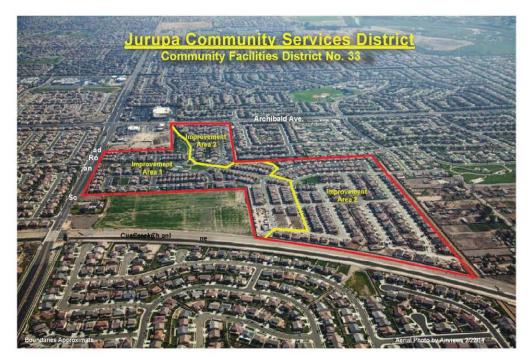
Investment in the Bonds involves risks that are not appropriate for certain investors. Certain events could affect the abilitive of the District to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. See the section of this Official Statement entitled "RISK FACTORS" for a discussion of certain risk factors that should be considered, in addition to the other matters set forth in the Official Statement, in evaluating the investment equality of the Bonds.

This cover page contains certain information for general reference only. It is not intended to be a summary of the security or terms of this issue. Investors are advised to read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

MATURITY SCHEDULE (See Inside Cover Page)

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and accepted by Stife, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, the Underwriter, subject to approach as to their legality by Best Best & Krieger LLP, Riverside, California, Bond Counsel, and subject to certain other conditions. Certain legal matters will be passed on for the Services District and the District by Best Best & Krieger LLP, Riverside, California and for the Underwriter by Stradillar Moreoscopic Strategy and Strategy an





# Recent Stage 3 CFD Bond Issue pertinent facts



- Overview of Jurupa Community Service District (Eastvale Area)
   CFD No. 33 Improvement Area No. 1&2 (2014 Series A)
  - \$8,265,000 IA No. 1 par and \$7,600,000 IA No. 2 par
  - 45.09 Gross Acres IA No. 1 and 52.80 Gross Acres IA No. 2
  - 289 residential units in IA No. 1 and 201 residential units in IA No. 2 at build-out
  - Ratio of Appraised Value to lien is 12.23:1 for IA No. 1 and 13.50:1 for IA No. 2
  - 29 year bonds with a 5.00% Coupon to yield 4.56% in 2043 for IA No. 1 and 29 year bonds with a 5.00% Coupon to yield 4.56% in 2043 for IA No. 2
  - Fully funded Debt Service Reserve Funds in each IA

## Credit Observations for CFDs over

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the last 10 years

	2005 (Pre-Recession)	2010 (Recession)	2015 (Post Recession)
Average Bond Size	\$11 million	\$4 million	\$14 million
District Size	+250 acres Hot real estate market allowed larger scale plans	-100 acres Faster build-out in slow real estate market	900 acres Significantly improved real estate market, especially in coastal areas by employment centers
Bond Coverage	From taxes on entitled undeveloped land Parcels with building permits often considered "developed"	From taxes on built-out and closed units Undeveloped land special tax often not leveraged	From taxes on primarily Developed Property with some Undeveloped land special tax being leveraged
Tax Collection History	Limited / No history	+10% delinquencies	Limited / No history
Reserve Fund	Traditional (10% of par)	Traditional + Special Reserve	Traditional (10% of par)
Value to Lien Ratios	3:1	8:1	11:1

## Current state of CFD Bonds in 2015?

- Housing has made significant recovery, especially in coastal areas close to employment centers
- Developers are requesting formation of CFDs to fund infrastructure and issuance of CFD Bonds earlier in the development process
- Bond Investors are comfortable again taking on real estate risk
- Credit spreads have narrowed and interest rates on non-rated bonds have declined
- Developers are dealing with prevailing wage issue triggered by CFD Bonds
- Homebuyers are showing a willingness to buy homes subject to a special tax

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Brief Overview of Dodd-Frank and impact to Issuers and their relationships to Consultants

## Overview of Dodd-Frank

- Legislation adopted as a result of the financial crisis of 2008
- Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Act amended Section 15B of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to add a new requirement that "Municipal Advisors (MAs)" register with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") starting October 1, 2010
- Temporary rules went into effect on October 10, 2010 and final rules went into effect on September 18, 2013

## Definition of Municipal Advisor

The Exchange Act defines a "municipal advisor" generally to mean a person that: (1) provides advice to or on behalf of a municipal entity or obligated person with respect to municipal financial products (municipal derivatives, GICs and investment strategies) or the issuance of municipal securities, including advice with respect to the structure, timing terms, and other similar matters concerning such financial products or issues; or (2) undertakes certain "solicitations" of a municipal entity. This regime imposes a fiduciary duty on municipal advisors to act in the best interest of their clients

## Advice Standard

### Advice Standard

- The rules did not include specific guidance on the meaning and the scope of the term "advice", but did provide the following guidelines:
  - First, advice depends on all of the relevant <u>facts and</u> <u>circumstances</u>
  - Second, advice <u>includes</u> certain "<u>recommendations</u>" that are particular to the specific needs, objectives, or circumstance of a municipality
  - Third, advice <u>does not include</u> certain <u>general information</u> (for example, facts without opinions or educational materials)

## Covered Advice on Three Subjects

## Covered Advice on Three Subjects

- Absent an exemption, a person is required to register as a municipal advisor if the person provides advice on one of three subjects:
  - Issuance of Municipal Securities, including structure, timing, terms, and other similar matters with respect to such issuance
  - 2) Investment of Proceeds of Municipal Securities and the Recommendation of and Brokerage of Municipal Escrow Securities
  - 3) Municipal Derivatives

## Who is a Municipal Advisor?

- Municipal/Financial Advisors Yes
- Public Officials No
- Developers No
- Bond Underwriters No (Separate rules and regulations to be discussed on the next slide)
- □ Attorneys No (Bond/Disclosure Counsel)
- □ Special Tax Consultants No
- □ Appraisers No
- □ Engineers No
- Market Absorption Consultant No



- Underwriters cannot provide "advice" on a financing to municipal issuers unless:
  - Responding to a Request for Proposals (sent to at least 3 firms)
  - Issuer has an independent financial advisor on that financing (with "IRMA letter" available)
  - Underwriter has been hired for that particular issue (with "engagement letter" signed)
- Objective information and refunding analyses not construed as "advice" by SEC
  - An underwriter can provide typical bond sizing and refunding analyses using generic assumptions with internal clearance and appropriate disclaimers

#### IRMA letter

 Issuer declares its understanding that it will rely on a financial advisor, as needed for advice, not the underwriter

#### **■** Engagement letter

- Issuer declares its intent to engage the underwriting firm on a particular transaction in the role of underwriter, not financial advisor
- Can be a non-binding, non-exclusive arrangement

#### ■ G-17 disclosures

Issuer is asked to acknowledge underwriter's disclosures of non-fiduciary role

## Impact to Public Agencies

- New Rules have been in-place since July 1, 2014
- MAs have an explicit fiduciary duty to their Public Agency clients
- GFOAs best practices strongly recommend Public Agencies hire a
   MA for their bond transactions
- Underwriters and other bond professionals that do have a fiduciary duty to issuers will not be able to provide advice to Public Agencies unless certain exemption are met
- Underwriters will be able to communicate with Public Agencies about general market issues, facts and ideas, however, unless an exemption is met, they can not advise a Public Agency to take a specific action
- Responses to RFPs and RFQs are not considered to be municipal advice and must be sent to at least three firms

## Example of IRMA Letter posted to

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## Issuer website



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July 1, 2014

By publicly posting the following written disclosure, the County of Riverside intends that market participants receive and use it for purposes of the independent registered municipal advisor exemption to the SEC Municipal Advisor Rule.

The County of Riverside has retained an independent registered municipal advisor. The County of Riverside uses a variety of municipal advisors in its debt management program. To know which firm is being used for a particular credit, please contact the entity's debt management program at 951.955.1110.

The County is represented by and will rely on its municipal advisors to provide advice on proposals from financial services firms concerning the issuance of municipal securities and municipal financial products (including investments of bond proceeds and escrow investments). This certificate may be relied upon until June 30, 2015. Proposals may be addressed to County of Riverside, Executive Office at 4080 Lemon Street, 4th Floor, Riverside, CA 92501. If the proposal received will be seriously considered by the County, we will share the document with our municipal advisor. Please note, that aside from regulatorily mandated correspondence between an underwriter and municipal advisor, the underwriter should not speak directly with or send documents directly to the municipal advisor unless specifically directed to by the County.

IVAN M. CHAND

Deputy County Executive Officer

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# CALIFORNIA DEBT AND INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

## Example of a G-17 Letter

January 22, 2015

Director of Administrative and Community Services

Re: Underwriter Engagement Relating to Potential Municipal Securities Transaction for the Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds Series 2015A

Dear

The Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of (the "Issuer") and , Incorporated (" ") are entering into this memorandum to confirm that discussions related to the potential issuance of one or more issues of municipal securities for the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of ', Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds Series 2015A (the "Issue"), have occurred and that the Issuer and are hereby entering into this engagement letter to formalize role as underwriter with respect to the Issues as defined in MSRB Rule G-23. The Issuer and acknowledge that, in all discussions that they will have concerning the potential municipal securities will not be serving in the role of municipal advisor as defined in the SEC's Municipal Advisor Rule with current effective date of implementation of July 1, 2014. To that end, the Issuer agrees to provide specific project related information to and agrees to provide input to the Issuer relating to options concerning structure, timing, terms, and other similar matters related to the expected transaction referenced above.

#### Limitation of Engagement

Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of January 22, 2015 Page 2

#### Role Disclosure

The Issuer hereby confirms and acknowledges each of the following concerning the role that would have as an underwriter:

- Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Rule G-17 requires an underwriter to deal fairly at all times with both municipal issuers and investors;
- (2) the underwriter's primary role is to purchase securities with a view to distribution in an arm's-length commercial transaction with the issuer and it has financial and other interests that differ from those of the issuer;
- (3) unlike a municipal advisor, the underwriter does not have a fiduciary duty to the issuer under the federal securities laws and is, therefore, not required by federal law to act in the best interests of the issuer without regard to its own financial or other interests;
- (4) the underwriter has a duty to purchase securities from the issuer at a fair and reasonable price, but must balance that duty with its duty to sell municipal securities to investors at prices that are fair and reasonable; and
- (5) the underwriter will review the official statement for the issuer's securities, and complete requisite due diligence, in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, as applied to the facts and circumstances of the transaction.

#### Disclosures Concerning the Underwriter Compensation

The underwriter will be compensated by an underwriting discount will be set forth in the bond purchase agreement to be negotiated and entered into in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Payment or receipt of the underwriting fee or discount will be contingent on the closing of the transaction(s) and the amount of the fee or discount may be based, in whole or in part, on a percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds. While this form of compensation is customary in the municipal securities market, it presents a conflict of interest since the underwriter may have an incentive to recommend to the Issuer a transaction that is unnecessary or to recommend that the size of the transaction be larger than is necessary.

#### Conflicts of Interest Disclosures

has not identified any additional potential or actual material conflicts that require disclosure.

## Example of a G-17 Letter (cont.)

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Disclosures Relating to Complex Municipal Securities Financing		
Since has not recommended a "complex municipal securities financing" to the Issuadditional disclosures regarding the financing structure for the issuance of the Bonds are required under MSRB Rule G-17.		
However, if recommends, or if the Issue is ultimately structured in a manner considere "complex municipal securities financing" to the Issuer, this letter will be supplemented provide disclosure of the material financial characteristics of that financing structure as well the material financial risks of the financing that are known to us and are reasonably foreseen at that time.		
Sincerely,		
Managing Director		
The Issuer acknowledges the foregoing.		
Accepted and Executed		
(Name)		