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Candidate statement for Roland Lee Soltesz

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As a resident of Marina I have watched as our water rates have increased substantially. It is important, that with the increase in rates come an increase in oversight and accountability. My over 20 years as a licensed Attorney and a formal background in economics gives me the knowledge and experience to be the eyes and ears of our ratepayers. I pledge to be vigilant and guard our water system for all. I served 6 years as a Planning Commissioner in the City of Visalia. This experience is invaluable in helping to manage our water resources. I am familiar with growth and government accountability.

With the consolidation of the Fort Ord area into our district there are many challenges ahead. We need to be able to update and replace infrastructure that dates back to WWII. This will be a challenge to do in a fiscally prudent manner. No one wants rates to increase further. I will work to update our system in a fiscally responsible manner that protects our rate payers from further increase.

I will guard against the external threat from Cal-Am. The desalination project they advocate is a direct threat to our precious water supply. ~~A project that provides zero benefits to the Citizens of Marina while giving us all the negative burdens. Cal-Am is driven by profit.~~ My experience as a Courtroom litigator will help in this fight.

I ask for your vote in November

Name: Roland Lee Soltesz

District: Marina Coast Water

Age: 60  
Occupation: Attorney