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WORD ERROR

The Santa Clara, CA water district commits slight, but potentially very costly error.

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Word nerds know the importance of grammar, but sometimes it pays to be concise. For the Santa Clara Valley (Calif.) water district, the addition of only two extra words could cost them \$548 million.

The San Jose Mercury News reports that the error was on a proposed tax that is

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Since any actions taken at that meeting have been nullified, and the final deadline for ballot measures is now passed, some taxpayer groups are threatening legal action if the measure appears on the ballot.

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