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TO: THE NEWS MEDIA AND THE PUBLIC

FROM: COLUMBIA COUNTY CLERK & ELECTIONS DEPT.

SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 2017, DROP SITES, PUBLIC CERTIFICATION TEST. RE:

## Special Election, November 7, 2017.

A Special Election will be held November 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 for those parts of Columbia County included in the Portland Community College taxing district. Areas of Columbia County NOT included in the election consist of Cities of Clatskanie, Rainier, Prescott and those surrounding rural precincts. Approximately 28000 registered voters will receive a ballot.

The sole contents of the election will be the referred Measure 26-196 which was filed August 16, 2017 with Multnomah County Elections. Election details including measure text and explanatory statement can be found on the Elections department page of www.co.columbia.or.us.

The main mailing of ballots will be Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Overseas and out-of-state ballots will be mailed at an earlier date.

Returning voted ballots. Ballots must be received by the county clerk no later than 8:00 p.m. on November 7, 2017 - postmarks do not count. The United States Postal Service has stated that ballots could take up to 5-7 days to reach county elections offices once they are put in the mail. It is advised that if you cannot put your ballot in the mail before November 2<sup>nd</sup>, you should plan on returning your ballot to a dropsite.

## Drop sites for the election will be as follows:

**VERNONIA LIBRARY** MIST BIRKENFELD RFPD 701 Weed Ave. 12525 Highway 292 **DURING LIBRARY HOURS DURING OFFICE HOURS** 

November 7 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM November 7 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

SCAPPOOSE CITY HALL **COUNTY COURTHOUSE** (ELECTIONS DEPT) 33568 E. Columbia Ave.

A 24HR DROP BOX IS LOCATED AT THIS ADDRESS 230 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR 97051

November 7 Closes at 8:00 PM A DRIVE-UP DROP BOX LOCATED IN THE LOWER PARKING LOT

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Public Certification Test. The Public Certification Test of the counting equipment for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 will be held on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. The testing will begin at 10:00 AM in the County Elections Dept. The public is welcome to attend.

Please publish as a news article in the next available issue.