# Measure 5-259

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District

Notice of Measure Election

November 8, 2016 General Election

Notice **Date of Notice** Name of District **Date of Election** Name of County or Counties July 28, 2016 Vernonia School District 47J Columbia, Washington November 8, 2016 Ballot Title Prepare with assistance from the district attorney or an attorney employed by the district. Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure. Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure. Shall Vernonia Schools enhance facilities and refinance debt by issuing \$6,800,000 in bonds, receiving up to \$2,700,000 matching State grant? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution. Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect. Up to \$2,700,000 In matching State grants are awarded to the District if voters approve this measure. If rejected, grants will be diverted to another district. A major portion of the bonds will refinance existing debt, thereby freeing up Bond and grant proceeds are also expected to fund; · four classrooms; one for art welding/metals shop building playeround equipment at Mist and Vernonia Schools additional solar panels
 football field, track, stadium and parking area lighting of baseball/softball fields
 cross-country/fitness/nature trail Indoor walking track in gym Upgrades: • Mist interior and exterior: roof, gutters, siding, gym floor and classrooms security/surveillance systems at Mist and Vernonia mechanical systems at Mist
 improved technology install well and irrigation enhanced lighting systems \* site improvements, furnishing and equipping of projects and bond issuance costs

Bonds would mature in not to exceed 26 years. The estimated incremental tax rate is approximately \$0.24 per \$1,000 of assessed property value above November 2016 levels. Actual rates may differ based upon interest rates incurred and growth in assessed value Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect. If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for: → any measure referred by the district governing body; or ☐ No Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes → any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance. Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized. Title Name Aaron Miller Superintendent **Mailing Address Contact Phone** 1201 Texas Avenue, Vernonia OR 97064 503-429-5891 By signing this document: → I hereby state that I am authorized by the district elections authority to submit this Notice of Measure Election and I certify the above ballot title is true and complete.

COLUMBIA COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

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## NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Filed in the Office of County Clerk 7/28/2016

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a ballot title for a measure referred by Vernonia School District 47J has been filed with the Columbia County Clerk on July 28, 2016.

The ballot title caption is: Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt.

### Caption

Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt.

#### Question

Shall Vernonia Schools enhance facilities and refinance debt by issuing \$6,800,000 in bonds, receiving up to \$2,700,000 matching State grant? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

#### Summary

Up to \$2,700,000 in matching State grants are awarded to the District if voters approve this measure. If rejected, grants will be diverted to another district. A major portion of the bonds will refinance existing debt, thereby freeing up resources for general operations.

Bond and grant proceeds are also expected to fund:

#### Construction:

- Four classrooms; one for art
- welding/metals shop building
- playground equipment at Mist and Vernonia Schools
- additional solar panels
- · football field, track, stadium and parking area
- · lighting of baseball/softball fields
- · cross-country/fitness/nature trail
- Indoor walking track in gym

#### **Upgrades**

- Mist interior and exterior: roof, gutters, siding, gym floor and classrooms
- security/surveillance systems at Mist and Vernonia
- · mechanical systems at Mist
- Improved technology
- Install well and Irrigation
- · enhanced lighting systems
- site improvements, furnishing and equipping of projects and bond issuance costs

Bonds would mature in not to exceed 26 years. The estimated incremental tax rate is approximately \$0.24 per \$1,000 of assessed property value above November 2016 levels. Actual rates may differ based upon interest rates incurred and growth in assessed value.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a measure election conducted by mail will be held on Tuesday, November 8 2016.

An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (which is the 7<sup>th</sup> business day after receipt.) ORS 255.155

This notice is published pursuant to ORS 255.145(5) by Elizabeth E. Huser, Columbia County Clerk.

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