

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE AND MEASURE ELECTION

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a ballot title for a measure referred by Clatskanie Rural Fire Protection District, has been filed with the Columbia County Clerk on February 13, 2018.

The ballot title caption is: Renewal of Five-Year Local Option Levy for General Operations

Caption

RENEWAL OF FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS

Question

Shall Fire District impose \$1.2533 per \$1000 of assessed value for general operations for five years beginning 2018-2019? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary

A "YES" vote on this would renew Clatskanie Rural Fire Protection District's current local option levy at the same rate of \$1.2533 per \$1,000 of assessed value, providing funding for staffing, fire & ambulance services, purchase needed replacement equipment, as well as maintenance of the District's buildings and property. The permanent tax rate alone is inadequate to properly ensure fire and ambulance services. Our community continues to have increasing demand for emergency fire and medical response. Combining the permanent tax rate with a 5-year levy will allow the District to continue providing staffing and equipment to do our best to respond to the increasing number of calls for service. This levy will begin in the 2018/2019 fiscal year. The levy rate of \$1.2533 on a home with an assessed value of \$150,000 would cost \$188 per year for 5 years. The estimated total amount of tax to be raised is \$5,340,778. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$979,506 in 2018/2019, \$1,021,951 in 2019/2020, \$1,066,236 in 2020/2021, \$1,112,440 in 2021/2022, and \$1,160,645 in 2022/2023. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an estimate only based on the best information available from the County Assessor at the time of the estimate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a measure election conducted by mail will be held on Tuesday, May 15 2018.

Any elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. February 26th, 2018 (which is the 7th business day after receipt.) ORS 255.155

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