

**Notice of Measure Election**  
**District**

**Measure 5-294**

Assigned 3/14/2023

**May 16, 2023 Special District Election**

**SEL 803**

rev 03/18 ORS 250.035,  
250.041, 255.145, 255.345

**Notice**

**Date of Notice**

March 16, 2023

**Name of District**

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District

**Name of County or Counties**

Columbia and Clatsop

**Date of Election**

May 16, 2023

**Final Ballot Title** The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

**Caption** 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Five-year local option tax for operations

**Question** 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall the district impose \$1.10 per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years for operations in 2023-2024? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**Summary** 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

A "YES" vote would allow Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District to impose a local option tax of \$1.10 per \$1000 of assessed property value. The tax revenue from this measure would provide the necessary funding for sufficient staffing, current and ongoing emergency services, the replacement of equipment and supplies, and for maintaining the Fire District's buildings, properties, and apparatus. The current permanent tax rate alone is inadequate to provide appropriate emergency response and readiness to its citizens while maintaining competitive wages to its existing staff members. Combining the permanent tax rate with a 5-year local option levy will provide appropriate funding necessary for operations to ensure we are better prepared to respond to the increasing numbers of calls for service. The requested rate will raise approximately \$357,000 in fiscal year 2023-2024, \$386,000 in fiscal year 2024-2025, \$416,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026, \$449,000 in fiscal year 2026-2027, and \$484,000 in fiscal year 2027-2028, for a total of \$2,092,000. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an estimate only based upon the best information available from the County Assessor at the time of the estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression, and the collection rate.

**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 elections authority; **or**

→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

**Explanatory Statement Attached?**

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Authorized District Official** Not required to be notarized.

**Name**

Joe Kaczinski

**Title**

Fire Chief

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*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 that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

**Signature**

*Joe Kaczinski*

**03-14-2023**

**Date Signed**