

## NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

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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 9, 2023. The measure election will be conducted by mail and will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

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

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### Caption

RENEWAL OF CURRENT FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS

### Question

Shall District impose \$1.2533 per \$1,000 of assessed property value for general operations for five years beginning 2023-2024? This measure renews current local option taxes.

### Summary

A "YES" vote would renew the current Clatskanie Rural Fire Protection District local option tax of \$1.2533 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. This would provide the necessary funding for sufficient staffing, current and ongoing ambulance & fire services, the needed replacement equipment and supplies, and for maintaining and repairing the District's buildings and properties. The permanent tax rate alone is inadequate for ensuring the District has the resources necessary for adequate staffing and equipment for Ambulance and Fire response. Our communities continue to have an increased demand each year for emergency medical and fire response. Combining the permanent tax rate with a 5-year local option levy will help provide the District with funding to continue the necessary staffing and equipment to help ensure we are better prepared to respond to the increasing numbers of calls for service. This levy begins in the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The tax rate of \$1.2533 on a property assessed at \$225,000 would cost about \$282 per year for 5 years. The proposed rate would raise approximately \$1,270,567 in 2023-2024, \$1,359,506 in 2024-2025, \$1,454,672 in 2025-2026, \$1,556,499 in 2026-2027, and \$1,665,454 in 2027-2028 for a total amount of \$7,306,698. 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.

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that 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 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 (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 Debbie Klug, Columbia County Clerk.

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