

# Notice of Measure Election

## District

# Measure 5-297

**SEL 803**rev 03/18 ORS 250.035,  
0.041, 255.145, 255.345

Assigned 9/6/2023

**November 7, 2023 Special Election****Notice**

Date of Notice

Name of District

Name of County or Counties

Date of Election

08/02/2023 Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD

Columbia/Clatsop 11/07/2023

**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.

5-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 general operations beginning in the 2024-2025 fiscal year? 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.

If approved, Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District will use the proceeds to pay the cost of:

1. Continue to provide emergency services at present levels due to a 161% increase in call volume over the last 2 years; and
2. Hire up to 2 full time equivalent Firefighter/EMTs; and
3. Provide competitive salary and benefits to existing staff; and
4. Provide funding toward replacement of fire and EMS equipment, apparatus, and other tangible property in support of operations; and
5. Provide funding toward station maintenance.

This levy is the first levy the Fire District has requested since its formation. The average assessed home value in the Fire District is \$300,000. This would cause the average homeowner to pay approximately \$330 more a year towards their Emergency Services.

It is estimated that this tax will raise \$386,000 in 2024-2025, \$416,000 in 2025-2026, \$449,000 in 2026-2027, \$484,000 in 2027-2028, and \$522,000 in 2028-2029 for a total of \$2,257,000. 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 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.

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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.

*Pamela Owen*

09/04/2023

Signature

Date Signed

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