

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a ballot title for a measure to be referred by Rainier Cemetery District has been filed with the Columbia County Clerk February 22nd, 2021. A measure election will be held within the boundaries of Rainier Cemetery District on May 18th, 2021. The election will be conducted by mail.

The ballot title caption is: Five-year Local Option Tax for Cemetery Operations

Caption

Five-year Local Option Tax for Cemetery Operations

Question

Shall the Rainier Cemetery District impose \$0.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years for cemetery operations beginning in 2021/2022? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three (3) percent.

Summary

The Rainier Cemetery District will use the tax revenue from this measure for daily cemetery maintenance, office support for state mandated paperwork and to replace aging maintenance equipment. Without this additional revenue the district will be unable to replace equipment required for the maintenance of the district's twelve cemeteries. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$81,180 in 2021-2022 and \$87,674 in 2022-2023, \$94,688 in 2023-2024, \$102,264 in 2024-2025 and \$110,445 in 2025-2026 for a total of \$476,251. 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.

Any elector of the district may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 4th, 2021 (which is the 7th business day after receipt). The challenger must notify the Columbia County Clerk's Office in writing not later than 5:00 p.m. on the next business day following the day the petition for review is filed (ORS 255.155).

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