Notice of Measure Election

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District

Notice			
Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
Sept. 6, 2023	Gaston Rural Fire Protection District	Washington/Yamhiill	Nov. 7. 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.

RENEWAL OF 5-YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR CAPITAL AND OPERATIONS.

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

Shall the District increase the Local Option Levy at the rate of \$1.01 per \$1,000 assessed value beginning in FY2024/2025? This measure may cause property taxes to increase by more than three percent.

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

This measure will replace the current Local Option Levy of \$0.67 and increase it by \$0.34 per \$1,000 assessed value beginning fiscal year 2024/2025. The proposed total Local Option Levy of \$1.01 per \$1,000 assessed value will support the annual cost of fire and emergency medical services and capital costs.

The District operates one station that responded to approximately 759 calls for service to the communities of Cherry Grove, Laurelwood, and the City of Gaston during 2022. The District began staffing the station 24/7 which has improved the response times.

The new levy would:

- -Maintain a 24/7 staffing model at the fire station.
- -Allow the District to sufficiently cover costs associated with the goal of maintaining adequate response times.
- -Provide protective clothing, equipment, and training for volunteer membership.
- -Acquire, upgrade, renovate, and improve apparatus and equipment.
- -Upgrade technology equipment and software

The new Local Option Levy would raise approximately: \$468,097 in 2025-2026, \$482,140 in 2026-2027, \$496,605 in 2027-2028, \$511,503 in 2028-2029, and \$526,848 in 2029-2030

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.

9-7-2023

Signature

Date Signed