

Notice of Measure Election

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Notice			
Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
August 15, 2016	Molalla River School District	Clackamas	November 8, 2016

Ballot Title Prepare with assistance from the district attorney or an attorney employed by the district.

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

BONDS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION, SAFETY, REPAIRS, RENOVATIONS AND INCREASED ENROLLMENT

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

Shall Molalla River School District construct and improve schools by issuing \$88,895,000 in bonds?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

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

If approved, the bonds are expected to fund:

- Constructing, furnishing and equipping new middle school adjacent to high school site on district-owned property, reducing operating costs and increasing student learning opportunities.
- Constructing, furnishing and equipping new, energy efficient elementary school on current middle school site, thereby addressing current and future district enrollment growth within the City of Molalla.
- Security/safety features at all schools. (Secure vestibule entrances at all schools)
- Protecting community's investment in rural schools by replacing roofs and heating and ventilation systems.
- Improving energy efficiency and reducing operating costs through repairs and upgrades at all schools.
- Demolition, site improvements, furnishing and equipping of projects.
- Bond issuance costs.

Bonds would mature in a period not to exceed 26 years from issuance. The estimated tax rate is approximately \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Actual rates may differ depending on interest rates and growth in assessed value.

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 governing body; or **Explanatory Statement Attached?** Yes No

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

Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized.

Name Tony Mann	Title Superintendent
Mailing Address 412 S. Sweigle Ave, Molalla, Or 97038	Contact Phone (503)829-2359

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 the above ballot title is true and complete.

Signature Redacted

Signature _____ Date Signed Aug. 18, 2016

Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet

Important! Please read all instructions before completing this form. This form is to be used when filing a 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet' with your County Elections office. If a local government is located in more than one county, the county clerk of the county in which the city hall of the city or the administrative office of the local government is located shall be the filing officer for the 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet'.

Filing Information

Election: Primary 20____ General 2016 Special _____ Measure # 3-504

Ballot Title Caption

Bonds for new construction, safety, repairs, renovation and increased enrollment

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Tony Mann, Superintendent

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization Person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Molalla River School District

CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: Cell: (503) 706-2911 Work: (503) 829-2359 Home: _____

E-Mail: _____

SIGNATURE

Signature Redacted

8/15/16

Signature of person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement'

Date

MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

See attached for 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (500 word/number MAX).

For Office Use only:

County: _____

Signed? Yes No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Yes No

Intake Staff Initials: _____

Word Count (500 max): _____

Digital copy? Yes No

Review Staff Initials: _____

Investing in Safety and Sustainability

In surveys conducted in 2014 and 2015, the community indicated it wanted better school facilities, expanded course offerings and better communication.

The District has been pursuing these goals. The high school graduation rate now exceeds the state average and has increased every year for five of the last six years.

The District hired more elementary school reading specialists to help students with the basics -- emphasizing early literacy -- and restored Music to the curriculum.

The District added career pathway courses like engineering, bio-medical and veterinary sciences at the high school to prepare students for tomorrow's jobs.

A citizen-led Long Range Planning Committee studied options for the District's facilities and last fall recommended replacing or improving the District's aging buildings (most are more than fifty years old) to make the District's schools safer, to provide capacity for the growth in student population and to allow the District to operate more efficiently.

The last significant investment in Molalla's facilities occurred following the 1993 earthquake. While the District's buildings have been regularly maintained with general fund monies, these dollars are also needed to support classroom learning.

The school board's telephone survey of the community last November found strong support for these concepts, but concerns about the cost. The School Board responded to those concerns by eliminating projects the community indicated weren't a priority and thereby lowered the projected cost.

The School Board believes these selected projects will accomplish the key goals:

- Constructing, furnishing and equipping a new middle school next to the high school, on District-owned property, to reduce operating costs and increase student learning opportunities
- Constructing, furnishing and equipping a new energy efficient elementary school on the current middle school site to address current and future District enrollment growth in the City of Molalla
- Additional investments in school safety by restricting open access to buildings and installing security cameras District-wide.
- Protecting the community's investment in rural schools -- and the communities they serve -- by replacing roofs and inefficient heating and ventilation systems that potentially could save the District thousands of dollars in annual operating costs
- Improving energy efficiency and reducing operating costs through repairs and upgrades at all schools.

A \$88.9 million bond would cost a District property owner an estimated \$2.25 per thousand of assessed value, or approximately \$38 per month for a property assessed at \$200,000. Actual rates may differ; depending on interest rates incurred and changes in assessed value.

New property owners moving into the community will pay for the projects through new property taxes that could reduce the share paid by existing property owners.

A citizen bond oversight committee will be appointed by the School Board to ensure bond proceeds are spent properly and responsibly.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2017-001

A RESOLUTION OF MOLALLA RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35, CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OREGON, CALLING A MEASURE ELECTION TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF CONTRACTING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED INDEBTEDNESS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$88,895,000 TO FINANCE CAPITAL COSTS; AND RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Molalla River School District No. 35, located in Clackamas County, Oregon, (the "District") has determined that a need exists for the District to finance capital costs, as more fully described in the notice of bond election attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Project") and pay bond issuance costs; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the District has evaluated the need for safety improvements, the joint funding of safety improvements with other public and private entities and the funding of safety improvements in accordance with ORS 332.176; and

WHEREAS, the District applied for the Oregon School Capital Improvement Match (the "Match Program") under Senate Bill 447 and may receive \$4,000,000 in the event the District is awarded a match and passes a local bond measure in the November 8, 2016 election; and

WHEREAS, the costs of the Project and issuance costs are estimated to be not more than \$88,895,000; and

WHEREAS, the District anticipates incurring expenditures (the "Expenditures") to finance the costs of the Project and wishes to declare its official intent to reimburse itself for any Expenditures it may make from its general funds on the Project from the proceeds of voter-approved general obligation bonds which may be issued as tax-exempt obligations or qualified tax credit bonds; and

WHEREAS, ORS 328.205, as amended, subject to voter approval, authorizes the District to contract bonded indebtedness to provide funds to finance the costs of the Project and to pay bond issuance costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of Molalla River School District No. 35, Clackamas County, Oregon, resolves as follows:

1. The measure election is hereby called for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of contracting general obligation bonded indebtedness in the name of the District in an amount not to exceed \$88,895,000 (the "Bonds"). Bond proceeds will be used to finance the Project and pay all Bond issuance costs. The Bonds shall mature over a period of not more than twenty-six (26) years from the date of issue and may be issued in one or more series.

2. The measure election hereby called shall be held in the District on the 8th day of November, 2016. As authorized by the County Clerk of Clackamas County, Oregon, and the

Oregon Secretary of State, the election shall be conducted by mail pursuant to ORS 254.465 and 254.470.

3. The District authorizes the Chair, Superintendent, Business Manager (each an "Authorized Representative") or his/her designee to submit the final ballot title and explanatory statement and to take such further action as is necessary to carry out the intent and purposes herein in compliance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. The Authorized Representative shall cause to be delivered to the Election Officer of Clackamas County, Oregon (the "Election Officer"), a Notice of Bond Election (the "Notice") in substantially the form of, attached hereto as Exhibit A, which shall be approved and filed by the Authorized Representative of the District, not later than September 8, 2016, (sixty-one (61) days prior to the election date) and with such changes that may be necessitated in connection with the Match Program including reducing the not to exceed amount if a Match Program grant is awarded.

5. The District hereby declares its official intent pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 to reimburse itself with the proceeds of the Bonds for any of the Expenditures incurred by it prior to the issuance of the Bonds.

6. The Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary in conjunction with the Match Program.

7. The law firm of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, is hereby appointed to serve as Bond Counsel with respect to the issuance of the Bonds and Piper Jaffray & Co., is hereby appointed to serve as Underwriter or Placement Agent with respect to the issuance of the Bonds. The District will pay the fees and expenses of Bond Counsel, Underwriter or Placement Agent from Bond proceeds.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Molalla River School District No. 35, Clackamas County, Oregon this 7th day of July, 2016.

MOLALLA RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 35, CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OREGON

Signature Redacted
[Redacted Signature]

By: _____
Calvin Nunn, Chairman of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Signature Redacted
By: _____
Tony Mann, Superintendent/District Clerk