

Notice of Measure Election

District

3-546

Notice

Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
March 13, 2019	Hoodland Fire District #74	Clackamas County	May 21, 2019

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.

Local Option Levy to Maintain Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

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

Shall HFD maintain fire and emergency medical services by levying 25¢ per \$1,000 of AV for five years, beginning 2019-2020? 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.

Hoodland Fire District #74 provides fire and emergency medical services to residents of Marmot, Cherryville, Brightwood, Wemme, Welches, Zig Zag, Rhododendron, Government Camp and surrounding areas. Operations are funded through local property taxes.

Levy funds would:

- Help ensure three firefighter/paramedics with Advanced Life Support training, which improves survival rates, are available to respond at all hours.
- Stabilize funding so the District can continue to provide emergency response by career firefighter/paramedics 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Add a chief officer with firefighter/paramedic skills to ensure command coverage 24/7 and allow faster response to many second-call situations that would otherwise have to wait 20 minutes or more for responders from neighboring districts to arrive.

The levy would fund services at a fixed rate of 25¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value.

For a home assessed at \$150,000, about average for residential property in the District, the cost would be about \$38 per year. (Assessed value is different than market value.)

Estimated revenue for each year of the levy:

- \$266,956 in 2019-2020
- \$276,266 in 2020-2021
- \$284,495 in 2021-2022
- \$292,971 in 2022-2023
- \$301,701 in 2023-2024

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.

Name John A. Ingrao	Title Fire Chief
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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.

Signature Redacted

[Redacted Signature]

3-13-19

Date Signed

Signature

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement

! Important! Read all instructions before completing this form.

Use this form 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 _____ General _____ Special 05/21/2019

Measure # 3 - 546

Ballot Title Caption

Local Option Levy to Maintain Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

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

John A. Ingrao, Fire Chief

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

Hoodland Fire District #74

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Signature

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3.13.19

Signature of person responsible for the content of "Explanatory Statement"

Date

Explanatory Statement

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

For Office Use only:

County: Clackamas

Word Count (500 max): 476

Signed? Yes No

Providing digital copy? Yes No

Explanatory Statement attached? Yes No

Received digital copy? Yes No

Intake Staff Initials: AT

Review Staff Initials: AT

Hoodland Fire District #74
Measure 3-546

Explanatory Statement

What services does Hoodland Fire District provide?

Hoodland Fire is the first responder for medical emergencies and fires in its service area. Fire prevention, fire investigation, public education, and rescue services are also provided. It is staffed by 10 career firefighter/paramedics and 30 volunteers who assist when more responders are needed. The volunteer program will continue regardless of whether the levy is approved.

Who does the District serve?

Hoodland Fire District provides fire and emergency medical services to residents of Marmot, Cherryville, Brightwood, Wemme, Welches, Zig Zag, Rhododendron, and Government Camp as well as surrounding areas. The District responds to about 1,000 calls per year from the District's approximately 6,000 full-time residents and 15,000 seasonal residents.

How is the District funded?

The District is currently funded through a property tax base. The District applies for Federal grant funding when appropriate. A Federal "SAFER" grant, which has funded two firefighter/paramedic positions, is expiring in 2020. If approved, the local option levy would supplement the tax base.

How would levy funds be used?

Funds would enable the District to keep a minimum of two firefighter/paramedics on duty at all hours and add a paramedic chief officer to improve speed of response when emergency calls overlap and ensure command coverage 24/7. If approved, the levy would help fund:

- ▶ **Firefighter/paramedics with Advanced Life Support training.** Levy funds would help ensure three career firefighter/paramedics with Advanced Life Support training, which improves survival rates, are available to respond at all hours.
- ▶ **Emergency response by firefighter/paramedics 24/7.** In 2017 the District increased emergency response availability by career firefighter/paramedics from 12 hours a day to 24 hours a day. Levy funds would help ensure that 24/7 response by career firefighters will continue.
- ▶ **Faster response to many second call situations.** Funds would be used to add a chief officer with firefighter/paramedic skills providing more complete command coverage and allowing faster response to many second call situations that would otherwise have to wait 20 minutes or more for responders from Sandy or other districts to arrive.
- ▶ **Additional "Firewise" assistance to residents.** The program is designed to improve the odds of homes and businesses surviving a wildland fire. Levy funds would be used to expand this program.

What is the cost to property taxpayers?

The cost of the levy for property assessed at \$150,000, about average for residential property in the District, would be about \$38 a year, or about \$3 per month.

What if the levy is not approved?

If the levy is not approved, the District would not be able to keep three firefighter/paramedics available 24/7 and response when emergency calls overlap would be delayed more often, due to the additional time required for backup responders from neighboring districts, such as the Sandy Fire District, to arrive.

Need more information?

Visit the District's website at www.hoodlandfire.us.