

Notice of Measure Election

District

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Notice

Date of Notice
MAY 16, 2017

Name of District
NORTHERN OREGON REG

Name of County or Counties
WASCO, HOOD RIVER, GILLIAM AND SHERMAN

Date of Election

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.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION 16/17-3 AND EXHIBIT A

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

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

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

Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes No

Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized.

Name
BRYAN BRANDENBURG

Title
NORCOR ADMINIATRATOR

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541-506-2901

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


Date Signed

RESOLUTION NO. 16/17-3

**A RESOLUTION REFERRING TO THE VOTERS OF NORTHERN OREGON
CORRECTIONS A MEASURE ASKING WHETHER TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT
RATE LIMIT AND ADOPTING A BALLOT TITLE**

Whereas, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Northern Oregon Corrections (“NORCOR”), an intergovernmental entity organized pursuant to the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes (“ORS”) chapter 190, as amended, by and through an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Oregon counties named therein including the current member Counties of Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman and Wasco (collectively, the “Entity Members”) has determined that a need exists to provide revenue to maintain and operate its regional jail facilities; and

Whereas, NORCOR, pursuant to ORS 190.265, may impose operating taxes by establishing a permanent rate limit under section 11 (3)(c), Article XI of the Oregon Constitution (the “Constitution”), and the laws adopted thereunder; and

Whereas, Article XI, Section 11(3)(c)(A) of the Constitution provides that a local taxing district that has not previously imposed ad valorem property taxes and that seeks to impose ad valorem property taxes shall establish a limit on the rate of ad valorem property tax to be imposed by the district by obtaining the approval of a majority of voters voting on the question; and

Whereas, NORCOR has not previously imposed ad valorem taxes pursuant to establishing a permanent rate limit; and

Whereas, the Board believes it is in the best interest of NORCOR to seek approval of the voters to establish a permanent rate limit as provided for under the provisions of the ORS 190.265 and the Constitution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHERN OREGON
CORRECTIONS BOARD:**

Section 1. The Board refers to the May 16, 2017, Special District Election a measure asking NORCOR electors whether to approve a permanent tax rate limit.

Section 2. The Board adopts the following ballot title for the referral:

**CAPTION:
PERMANENT TAX RATE LIMIT**

QUESTION:
Shall Northern Oregon Corrections have a permanent tax rate limit of
\$0.26 per \$1,000 assessed property value beginning in 2017-2018?

Exhibit A

Form of Notice of Measure Election

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, an election will be held within the boundaries of Northern Oregon Corrections. The election shall be conducted by mail. The following question will be submitted to the qualified voters thereof:

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SUMMARY:
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A copy of this ballot title may be obtained at the County Clerk’s Office of Wasco County, Oregon.

Any person dissatisfied with the ballot title may petition the Circuit Court in Wasco County, pursuant to ORS 250.195, by March 23, 2017.

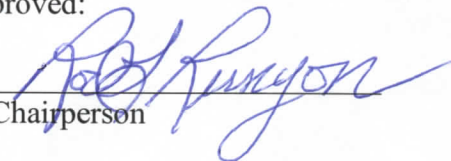
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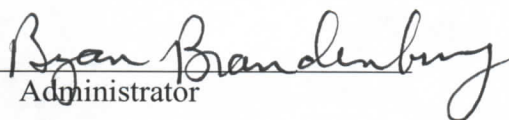
Section 3. The ballot title adopted by this resolution shall be filed in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A with the elections officer of Wasco County (the “County Elections Officer”) and any other officers of the Entity Members as required by law. The County Elections Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of NORCOR and to take such further action as is necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent and purpose of this resolution.

Adopted by the Board this 14th day of March, 2017.

Approved:


Chairperson

Attest:


Administrator