

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF

# CROOKED RIVER RANCH RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFFERSON AND DESCHUTES COUNTIES, OREGON

In the matter of: Placing a Five-Year Local Option Levy on the November 2023 Ballot

RESOLUTION:

2023-03

WHEREAS, the Crooked River Ranch Rural Fire Protection District (the District) Board of Directors having reviewed the financial condition of the District, finds a need for additional funding beyond the permanent taxing rate; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the voters of the District should be asked to fund the needs of the District through a five-year local option levy at a rate of \$1.17 per \$1,000 of assessed value, which will be needed for providing emergency services and addresses the increasing cost for personnel and operating costs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared a Ballot Title to place the local option levy on the November 7, 2023 election with an effective date of July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared the accompanying Explanatory Statement as required for inclusion in the voters' pamphlet; and

WHEREAS, the Ballot Title must be published in a local newspaper to give notice of the Ballot Title before the Notice of Measure Election can be completed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CROOKED RIVER RANCH RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:

- 1. The Board hereby approves referring a measure to the District's voters to establish a local option levy at the rate of \$1.17 per \$1,000 of assessed value starting July 1, 2024.
- The Board authorizes the Fire Chief to sign and submit Form SEL805 Request for Ballot Title, which shall be substantially similar in form to the document attached to this resolution as Exhibit A, to the County Clerk of Jefferson County ("County Clerk"), Oregon, the District's Elections Officer.
- 3. The County Clerk is directed to publish notice of proposed measure in the manner required by law and complete the ballot title challenge process.
- 4. The Board authorizes the Fire Chief, upon completion of the ballot title period, to complete the SEL803 Notice of Measure Election District in accordance with applicable laws.
- The Board approves the explanatory statement, attached to this resolution as Exhibit B, for publishing in the voters' pamphlet, if the County publishes a voters' pamphlet for the November 2023, election.

#### **INTRODUCED** and ADOPTED

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Wednesday, July 26th, 2023

ATTEST:

CROOKED RIVER RANCH
RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

By:

Kay Norberg, Board Director

Ву

David Palmer, Board Director

By

Joseph Costigan, Board Director

By:

Brad Pahl, Board Director

By:

Cole Gayheart, Board Director

## **Request for Ballot Title**

### **SEL 805**

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## **Preparation or Publication of Notice**

No later than the 81<sup>st</sup> day before an election, a governing body that has referred a measure must prepare and file with the local elections official the text of the referral for ballot title preparation or the ballot title for publication of notice of receipt of ballot title. This form may be used to file the text of the referral and request the elections official begin the ballot title drafting process or file a ballot title and request the elections official publish notice of receipt of ballot title.

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