

Notice of Measure Election

County

Notice

Date of Notice

7/25/23

Name of County or Counties

Klamath

Date of Election

November 7, 2023

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the county'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.

Five-year local option levy to support Klamath County Museums.

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

Shall Klamath County support County Museums with a five-year levy of 10 cents per \$1,000 assessed property value beginning FY2024-25?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

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

The Klamath County Museums' (Klamath County Museum, Baldwin Hotel, Fort Klamath Museum) operating budget does not receive funding from the County General Fund. Since 2011, voter approved local option levies have provided a large portion of funds necessary to maintain the Museums' operations and programs. The Museums now face needed building repairs and sharply increasing costs.

Approval of this measure will increase support for the Museums from 5 cents to 10 cents per \$1000 of assessed property value - the owner of a \$150,000 home would pay \$15 per year to support and preserve our Museums.

The Museums are the County's primary agency for preserving our historical documents and artifacts and for sharing our history with our community. Annually, thousands of school children, families, and visitors view changing exhibits, research Klamath County's history, and participate in its many programs. Approval of this levy would allow the Museums to continue their programs; index, scan, and describe the photo and document collections, and expand public access to those collections; and maintain the facilities.

The proposed rate will raise an estimated \$646,223.00 for fiscal year 2024-25; \$665,609.00 for fiscal year 2025-26; \$685,578.00 for fiscal year 2026-27; \$706,145.00 for fiscal year 2027-28; and \$727,329.00 for fiscal year 2029-30, for a total of \$3,430,884.00. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.

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 county governing body; or
→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance. **Explanatory Statement Attached?** Yes No

Authorized County Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:

- I hereby state that I am authorized by the county to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and
- I certify that notice of receipt of a ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature

Date Signed

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