

**NOTICE OF ELECTION
WALLOWA COUNTY WEED CONTROL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that on May 16, 2023, a measure election will be held in Wallowa County, Oregon. The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the voters of Wallowa County on that date:

CAPTION: RENEWAL OF FIVE-YEAR LEVY TO FUND NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

QUESTION: Shall Wallowa County continue to levy \$.019 per \$1,000 of assessed value for weed control for five years beginning 2023-2024?

SUMMARY: In 2018 Wallowa County voters once again approved a 5-year levy to fund a Noxious Weed Control District. This measure will continue that funding for 5 additional years beginning in fiscal year 2023-2024 and running until 2028-2029. An estimated \$175,000 per year would be raised by this measure. This would cost \$57 per year for a home assessed at \$300,000.

*(*The estimate tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on past levy funds*)*

Wallowa County is a diverse landscape with valuable resources that are threatened by non-native plants. Since 2018, with the help of Wallowa County tax-payers:

- Approximately 13,240 net acres of weeds were treated in Wallowa Valley
- Approximately \$99,306 landowner cost-share dollars distributed to residents
- Levy funds provided leverage to generate an additional \$104,555 for noxious weed control activities
- A full-time Vegetation Manager coordinates and carries out weed management activities
- Support educational programs, weed tours, weed-free hay station, school programs, informational brochures

Support of this levy will provide for the continuation of these essential services that protect and enhance our natural resource-based economy.

The following authorized district official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete.

Susan Robert,
Board of Commissioners

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that a ballot title for a measure referred by Wallowa County Weed Control District has been filed with the County Clerk of Wallowa County on February 24, 2023. The ballot title caption is "RENEWAL OF FIVE-YEAR LEVY TO FUND NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL"

An elector may file petition for review of the ballot title in the Wallowa County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 8th, 2023.

Sandy Lathrop
Wallowa County Clerk