

Douglas County

# Official Local Voter's Pamphlet

August 5, 2025 Primary Election

## Register to Vote



Register in person until 8 p.m. on Election Day.  
But why wait? Update your registration today.

Log on to [www.VoteWA.gov](http://www.VoteWA.gov) to get started. You can register to vote in person at the Douglas County Courthouse in Waterville until 8 p.m. on Election Day. For questions call 509-888-6402 or email at [elections@co.douglas.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.douglas.wa.us)

### Local Jurisdictions Participating in this Election:

Okanogan/Douglas County Public Hospital District No. 1

## Ballot Information

If you have lost, damaged or did not receive your ballot, replacement ballots are available. To get a replacement ballot:

- By email: [elections@co.douglas.wa.us](mailto:elections@co.douglas.wa.us)
- Online: [www.VoteWA.gov](http://www.VoteWA.gov)
- By phone: 509-888-6402 or 509-888-6407
- In person: Douglas County Courthouse  
213 S. Rainier St., Waterville WA 98858

## Drop Boxes - Primary Election 2025

The following drop boxes are open from July 18 - August 5

Bridgeport City Hall ..... 1206 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

**\*\*\*New Location ..... around the corner by Sheriff's entrance\*\*\***

Mansfield Town Hall ..... 26 Main St., Mansfield

Douglas County Courthouse ..... 213 S. Rainier St., Waterville

# Okanogan/Douglas Public Hospital No. 1 | Proposition No. 1

PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1  
OKANOGAN AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES

## **PROPOSITION NO. 1** ONE-YEAR SPECIAL LEVY

The Commission of Public Hospital District No. 1, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, adopted Resolution No. 2025-4 concerning a proposition to finance and maintain the availability of essential health care services. If approved, this ballot proposition will provide funds to pay for the maintenance, development and expansion of the Districts health care facilities and services by levying in 2025 for collection in 2026 a special one-year property tax in the amount of \$1,460,000, resulting in an estimated levy rate, in excess of the District's regular property tax levy, of 33 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED / REJECTED

### **Explanatory Statement**

Public Hospital District No. 1, Okanogan and Douglas Counties, Washington (the "District"), operates Three Rivers Hospital in Brewster and other health care facilities within the District.

The District has determined that it is essential for the public health, safety and welfare of the District residents and other persons served by the District that the District provide additional funds for the maintenance, development and expansion of the District's health care facilities and services, including Three Rivers Hospital. In order to provide sufficient funds to pay these expenses, the District is proposing a ballot proposition to be voted on by the qualified electors of the District authorizing the District to levy a special one-year excess tax levy.

If approved, this ballot proposition will provide funds to pay for the maintenance, development and expansion of the District's health care facilities and services by levying in 2025 for collection in 2026 a special one-year property tax in the amount of \$1,460,000, resulting in an estimated levy rate, in excess of the District's regular property tax levy, of 33 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Prepared by: Bradley Berg, Foster Garvey P.C., special counsel to the District

### **Argument For:**

For over 70 years, Three Rivers Hospital has provided trained professional staff to meet the healthcare needs of our community. As your public hospital, we are committed to staffing our emergency department with experienced physicians dedicated to your care. This has been made possible with the existing tax levy that provides necessary funding for emergency department operations.

The Emergency Department is open 24/7, 365 days per year. Quality care is our top priority and having caring ER physicians on our team has allowed us to ensure that quality. We believe the renewal of this one-year levy to be essential and necessary to ensure Three Rivers can continue staffing our ER with board-certified physicians. This levy renews the annual levy voters passed in 2022, 2023 and 2024. The rate will remain the same at 33 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value, approximately \$66 per year for a home assessed at \$200,000.

Prepared by: Jennifer Munson, Chief Financial Officer, Three Rivers Hospital [jmunson@trhospital.net](mailto:jmunson@trhospital.net) <https://threerivershospital.net>

### **Argument Against:**

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition.

If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.