# February 8, 2022 Special Election

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2022



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### **Ballot Drop Box Locations**

Ballot boxes are available January 21,2022 - February 8, 2022, Election Day.





\* February 8, 2022 is Election Day. Ballots must be returned or postmarked no later than February 8.

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### **2022 Deadlines**

Ballots mailed to voters by:	January 21
Register by mail or online, received by:	January 31
Registration deadline (in person only):	February 8
Special Election:	February 8, 8:00 p.m.

### Who donates to campaigns?

View financial contributions for candidates and measures:

### **Public Disclosure Commission**

www.pdc.wa.gov

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### **Elections Department Contact Information**

Voter registration, ballot requests, ballot processing, and accessible voting:

450 Logan St./PO Box 28 Davenport, Wash.

Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., open until 8 p.m. on Election Day.

**Contact:** Phone: (509) 725-4971

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Website: www.co.lincoln.wa.us/elections

### Using a ballot drop box?

No stamp required. Drop off your ballot by 8pm, February 8, 2022

### Mailing your ballot?

Postage is prepaid. Must be postmarked by February 8, 2022



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### Creston School District No. 73

Proposition No. 1
Creston School District No. 73
Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Creston School District No. 73 adopted Resolution No. 01-21/22, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to meet the educational needs of its students by levying the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$0.83	\$250,000
2024	\$0.81	\$250,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 01-21/22. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES [] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Creston School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, nurses, special education, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, food service, and building maintenance. Further information is available at <a href="https://wcsd.wednet.edu/">https://wcsd.wednet.edu/</a>.

The proposed 2-year replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$250,000 in 2023 and \$250,000 in 2024. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$0.83 in 2023 and \$0.81 in 2024 (estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value). The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Lincoln County Assessor at (509)596-1454.

### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### Statement in Opposition

No Statement submitted.

### **Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J**

Proposition No. 1
Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J
Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J adopted Resolution No. 21/22-02, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$2.50	\$896,013
2024	\$2.50	\$963,214
2025	\$2.50	\$1,011,375
2026	\$2.50	\$1.041.716

all as provided in Resolution No. 21/22-02 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES

[] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Grand Coulee Dam School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, nurses, special education, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, food service, and building maintenance. Further information is available at https://www.gcdsd.org/.

The proposed replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$896,013 in 2023, \$963,214 in 2024, \$1,011,375 in 2025, and \$1,041,716 in 2026. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners, call the Grant County Assessor at (509)754-2011 ext. 2672, Douglas County Assessor (509)745-8521, Lincoln County Assessor (509)596-1454 or Okanogan County Assessor (509)422-7190.

#### **Statement in Favor**

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

### Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J Harrington School District No. 204

**Proposition No. 2** 

Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J

Replacement Capital Levy for Safety, Technology and Facilities Improvements

The Board of Directors of Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301J adopted Resolution No. 21/22-03, concerning a proposition to finance safety, technology and facilities improvements. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to make safety, technology and facilities improvements (including improving safety/security systems; acquiring classroom computers and other technology equipment; renovating Lake Roosevelt School; upgrading athletic facilities):

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$1.70	\$595,097
2024	\$1.70	\$624,852
2025	\$1.70	\$643,597
2026	\$1.70	\$662,905
2023 2024 2025	Assessed Value \$1.70 \$1.70 \$1.70	\$595,09 \$624,85 \$643,59

all as provided in Resolution No. 21/22-03 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES [] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 2 would allow Grand Coulee Dam School District to replace an existing capital levy that will expire at the end of 2022. The proposed replacement levy authorizes the District to continue funding safety, technology and facilities improvements throughout existing school facilities, including, but not limited to: (1) improving, acquiring, installing, implementing and modernizing safety and security systems; (2) acquiring, installing, implementing and modernizing classroom computers and other instructional technology equipment, infrastructure, systems and facilities; (3) renovating, modernizing and repairing Lake Roosevelt School; and (4) upgrading athletic facilities and fields. Further information is available at https://www.gcdsd.org/.

The proposed replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide \$595,097 in 2023, \$624,852 in 2024, \$643,597 in 2025, and \$662,905 in 2026. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$1.70 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners, call the Grant County Assessor (509)754-2011 ext. 2672, Douglas County Assessor (509)745-8521, Lincoln County Assessor (509)596-1454 or Okanogan County Assessor (509)422-7190.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

No Statement submitted.

Proposition No. 1
Harrington School District No. 204
Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Harrington School District No. 204 adopted Resolution No. 05-21, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$2.25	\$375,000
2024	\$2.25	\$375,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 05-21. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES

[] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Harrington School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, nurses, special education, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, field trip and STEM experiences, pre-school, transportation, swimming pool, food service, and building maintenance. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.harringtonsd.org/">https://www.harringtonsd.org/</a>.

The proposed 2-year replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$375,000 in 2023 and \$375,000 in 2024. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Lincoln County Assessor at (509) 596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

### Lincoln County Public Hospital District No. 1 Odessa School District No. 105-157-166J

Proposition No. 1
Lincoln County Public Hospital District No. 1
Replacement of Expiring One-Year Operation and Maintenance Levy

The Commission of Public Hospital District No. 1, Lincoln County, adopted Resolution No. 111121.02 concerning a proposition to finance operation and maintenance expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to maintain current levels of essential health care services by levying excess property taxes, in place of an expiring levy, at the estimated levy rate of \$2.36 per \$1,000 of assessed value upon all taxable property within the District for collection in 2023 to provide a total of \$671,800 for paying part of the District's operation and maintenance expenses, all as provided in Resolution No. 111121.02. Should this proposition be approved?

[]	LEVY	YES
[]	<b>LEVY</b>	NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

No statement submitted.

Proposition No. 1
Odessa School District No. 105-157-166J
Replacement Educational Programs and Operational Levy

The Board of Directors of Odessa School District No. 105-157-166J adopted Resolution No. 1-2021-22, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in the place of the expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy Rate \$1,000
Collection Year	Assessed Value
2023	\$1.88

Levy Amount \$550,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 1-2021-22 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[	]	LEVY	YES
[	]	LEVY	NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

This proposition authorizes Odessa School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of 2022. The proposed replacement levy will continue funding educational programs and operation expenses that are not fully funded by the State, including teachers, support staff, athletics, extracurricular activities, nutrition, preschool, maintenance and operations, transportation and special education. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.odessa.wednet.edu">https://www.odessa.wednet.edu</a>. Taxes collected by the proposed replacement levy will provide approximately 13% of the District's General Fund budget. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Adams County Assessor (509) 659-3200, Grant County Assessor (509) 754-2001 or Lincoln County Assessor (509) 596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

No Statement submitted.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

### Odessa School District No. 105-157-166J

Proposition No. 2
Odessa School District No. 105-157-166J
Replacement Capital Levy For School Improvements

"Shall a replacement excess levy of \$100,000 be collected in the year 2023, requiring approximately \$0.34 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for the modernization of school facilities by making technology, health, safety and energy efficiency improvements to school facilities of Odessa School District #105, Lincoln County, joint with #157, Adams County and #166J, Grant County?"

[] LEVY YES [] LEVY NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

This proposition authorizes Odessa School District to replace an existing capital levy that will expire at the end of 2022. The proposed replacement levy will be used to support the modernization of school facilities by making health, safety and energy efficiency improvements to school facilities. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.odessa.wednet.edu">https://www.odessa.wednet.edu</a>. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Adams County Assessor (509) 659-3200, Grant County Assessor (509) 754-2000 or Lincoln County Assessor (509) 596-1454.

### Ritzville School District No. 160-67

Proposition No. 1
Ritzville School District No. 160-67
Replacement Educational Programs And Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67 adopted Resolution No. 2021-012, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$2.25	\$914,000
2024	\$2.25	\$914,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2021-012 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES

### [] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

This proposition authorizes Ritzville School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of 2022. The proposed replacement levy will continue funding educational programs and operation expenses that are not fully funded by the State, including teachers, support staff, athletics, extracurricular activities, nutrition, maintenance and operations, transportation and special education. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.lrschools.org/">https://www.lrschools.org/</a>. Taxes collected by the proposed replacement levy will provide approximately 15.6% of the District's General Fund budget. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Adams County Assessor (509) 659-3200 or Lincoln County Assessor (509) 596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

No Statement submitted.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

### Ritzville School District No. 160-67

Proposition No. 2
Ritzville School District No. 160-67
Replacement Capital Levy For Educational Technology Improvements

The Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67 adopted Resolution No. 2021-013, concerning a proposition to finance educational technology improvements. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to acquire and install student and teacher technology devices and other technology equipment and infrastructure all to improve student access to technology:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$0.06	\$25,000
2024	\$0.06	\$25,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2021-013. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES

[] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

This proposition authorizes Ritzville School District to replace an existing educational technology levy that will expire at the end of 2022. The proposed replacement levy will be used to acquire, install, implement, upgrade and modernize student and teacher technology devices and other educational technology equipment, infrastructure and systems, and make other improvements and upgrades to the District's technology systems, all to improve student access to technology. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.lrschools.org/">https://www.lrschools.org/</a>. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call Adams County Assessor (509)659-3200 or Lincoln County Assessor (509)596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### Statement in Opposition

No Statement submitted.

### Wilbur School District No. 200

Proposition No. 1
Wilbur School District No. 200
Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Wilbur School District No. 200 adopted Resolution No. 01-22, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$2.43	\$475,000
2024	\$2.39	\$475,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 01-22 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES

[] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Wilbur School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, nurses, special education, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, food service, and building maintenance. Further information is available at <a href="https://wcsd.wednet.edu/">https://wcsd.wednet.edu/</a>.

The proposed 2-year replacement levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$475,000 in 2023 and \$475,000 in 2024. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.43 in 2023 and \$2.39 in 2024 (estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value). The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Lincoln County Assessor at (509)596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

vy Amount

\$263,500

\$263,500

### Wilson Creek School District No. 167-202

Proposition No. 1
Wilson Creek School District No. 167-202
Replacement Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Wilson Creek School District No. 167-202 adopted Resolution No. 21-05, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for the District's educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	<u>Lev</u>
2023	\$2.50	Ç
2024	\$2.50	ç

all as provided in Resolution No. 21-05 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

[] LEVY...YES [] LEVY...NO

### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow Wilson Creek School District to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, nurses, special education, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, and building maintenance. Further information is available on the District's website at http://wilsoncreek.org/.

The proposed two-year replacement levy would authorize the collection of taxes to provide up to \$263,500 in 2023 and \$263,500 in 2024. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Grant County Assessor at (509) 754-2011 extension 2672 or the Lincoln County Assessor at (509) 596-1454.

#### Statement in Favor

No statement submitted.

### **Statement in Opposition**

No Statement submitted.

## How is my ballot counted?

### **Lincoln County receives your ballot**



Deposit your ballot in an official drop box by 8 p.m. on August 3, Election Day, or return your ballot by mail — postage paid — but make sure it's postmarked no later than Election Day! A late postmark could disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail your ballot a week before Election Day.

### Your signature is verified



The signature on your return envelope is compared to the signature on your voter registration record. If the signature matches, your ballot is accepted and you are credited for voting to ensure only one ballot is counted for you.







Election staff will contact you before your ballot is processed if:

- Your signature is missing
- Your signature doesn't match your voter registration record



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### **Envelopes are separated**

The return envelope is opened and the security envelope containing your ballot is removed. They are separated to ensure the secrecy of your vote.



### Your ballot is reviewed and scanned

The security envelope is opened and election staff review your ballot to verify that it can be successfully scanned.



#### Your ballot is counted

After 8 p.m. on Election Day all scanned ballots are tallied. Ballots will be scanned and tallied over the next several days until all the votes are counted.