

# Resolution Cover Sheet

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Contact Phone: 360.683.4242 Email: jgrider@ccfd3.org/Lcoleman@ccfd3.org

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Attorney for District: Brian Snure  
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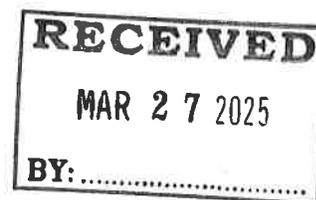
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### RESOLUTION 2025-01

#### RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY

(Primary - Multi Year - Permanent)

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLALLAM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 3, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON AUGUST 5, 2025, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, OF A PROPOSITION RESTORING THE DISTRICT'S PROPERTY TAX LEVY RATE TO \$1.50 PER \$1,000.00 OF TRUE AND ASSESSED VALUATION AND ESTABLISHING A LIMIT FACTOR BASED ON THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SUBJECT TO OTHERWISE APPLICABLE STATUTORY LIMITATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING FIVE YEARS.

**BACKGROUND**, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the District that fire and emergency medical services be provided by the District.

**WHEREAS**, the accelerated demands for, and increasing costs of, providing these services necessitate the continued expenditure of revenues for personnel, operations and equipment at a level that cannot be sustained by the District's regular tax revenue levied at the current rate of \$1.11 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District as constrained by the statutory rate established by RCW 84.55.010.

**WHEREAS**, The District experiences annual cost increases affecting its operations that reflect standard inflationary indices and that consistently exceed the statutory 101% limitation on tax levy increases.

**WHEREAS**, the District has previously levied its real property tax at the rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District.

**WHEREAS**, The District believes that it is reasonable to adopt a growth factor for years 2-6 of the levy lid lift period designed to allow the District to keep pace with inflation and has identified a rate based on the greater of the

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statutory rate or the annual CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue reported each June as an appropriate measure of inflation in Clallam County.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the District that the maximum allowable levy in the sixth year of the levy authorized by this Resolution serve as the levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 in subsequent years.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 Clallam County, Washington as follows:

**Section 1.** In order to provide fire protection, prevention and emergency medical services in the District, it is necessary for the District to obtain, operate and maintain emergency fire and medical aid vehicles and facilities staffed by properly trained personnel equipped with suitable firefighting and emergency medical equipment.

**Section 2.** In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities as described in Section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010 and levy beginning in 2025 and collect beginning in 2026, pursuant to RCW 52.16.130, RCW 52.16.140 and RCW 52.16.160, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

**Section 3.** In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities as described in Section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services beyond 2025, the District has determined that the limit factor for each year shall be the greater of the statutorily authorized percentage rate or the CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue for the period of June to June as reported in the levy year. Such percentage shall be used to determine the actual levy rate, subject to the maximum statutory rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, in 2026-2030.

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**Section 4.** The dollar amount levied in 2030 shall serve as the District's tax levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 in subsequent years.

**Section 5.** There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at an election on August 5, 2025, in conjunction with the state primary election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be increased to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation in 2025 and be adjusted by the greater of the statutorily authorized rate or the CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue for the period of June to June as reported in the levy year for the following five years, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. The auditor of Clallam County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, is hereby requested to call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

Name of Jurisdiction: Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3  
Proposition #: Proposition No. 1  
Short Title: Multiple Year Levy Lid Lift.

Ballot Title: The Board of Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 adopted Resolution No. 2025-01 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations.

This proposition authorizes the District to restore its regular property tax levy to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2026 and authorizes annual adjustments by the greater of the statutory rate or the annual CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue reported in June of the levy year for each of the five succeeding years. The maximum allowable levy in 2030 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by Chapter 84.55 RCW.

Should this proposition be: Approved  Rejected

**Section 6.** The Board hereby assigns to the Fire Chief or designee the task of appointing members to a committee to advocate voters' approval of the proposition and to a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the proposition.

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**Section 7.** For purposes of receiving notice of any matters related to the ballot title, as provided in RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the Fire Chief and legal counsel as the individuals to whom the County Auditor shall provide such notice.

**Section 8.** The Chief is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this resolution, including modifying the text of the ballot title and any other text, language and/or descriptions relative thereto necessary to conform such ballot title, text, language and/or descriptions to the intent of the parties, consistent with the objectives of this resolution

**Section 9.** The Chief, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed, no later than May 2, 2025, to provide to the County Auditor a certified copy of this resolution and the proper District officials are authorized to perform such other duties or take such other actions as are necessary or required by law to the end that the proposition described in this resolution appear on the ballot before the voters at the August 5, 2025 election.

**Section 10.** If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

**Section 11.** Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

**Section 12.** This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3, Clallam County, Washington, at an open public meeting of such Board on the eighteenth day of March 2025, the following commissioners being present and voting:

### CLALLAM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3

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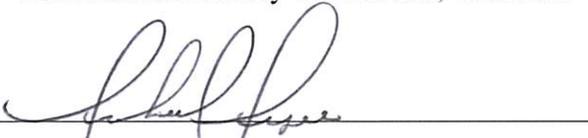
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Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

BY:   
Commissioner Jeffrey C. Nicholas, Chairman

BY:   
Commissioner Michael Mingee, Vice Chairman

BY:   
Commissioner Bill Miano

ATTEST:   
Lori Coleman, District Secretary

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Election Date: August 5, 2025  
Name of Jurisdiction Submitting Measure: Clallam County Fire District No. 3  
Contact Name: Justin Grider, Fire Chief  
Daytime Contact Phone Number: (360) 683-4242

CLALLAM COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3  
PROPOSITION NO. 1  
BALLOT ISSUE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT  
(200 word limit)

Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 provides emergency fire protection and medical services to its citizens. District voters previously approved a property tax levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Due to the state limits on property taxes, that District's current levy rate is \$1.11.

If approved by the voters, this proposition will authorize the District to restore its levy rate to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2025 for collection in 2026 and will establish annual adjustments by the greater of the statutory rate or the annual *CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue for the period of June to June as reported in the levy year* for the following five years. The dollar amount levied in 2030 shall serve as the District's tax levy base and in 2031, absent further voter approval, increases will be subject to the statutory percent limit.

The District's Board of Commissioners has determined that this proposition is necessary to maintain an effective level of services, fire fighter staffing, equipment and facilities in light of rising costs. Approval of this measure will allow the District to maintain and improve the level of fire protection and emergency medical services provided to its citizens.

Prepared by: Brian K. Snure  
Attorney for District  
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## **Pro & Con Committee Advertisement**

Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 is preparing to adopt Resolution No. 2025-01 providing for the submission to the voters on August 5, 2025, Primary Election, a proposition authorizing the District to restore its 2025 regular property tax levy to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2026 and to establish a CPI based growth factor for the following five years. The District is accepting names of people interested in participating in voter pamphlet statement pro and con committees.

The committees will write either the “for” or the “against” statements that will appear in county voters’ pamphlets next to the proposition.

Citizens interested in participating, please call 360.582.2054 or e-mail lcoleman@ccfd3.org by April 16, 2025. Interested parties shall submit their name, voter registration address, telephone number, email address, and the measure for which they wish to write a statement for. The appointments must be submitted to the County by May 2, 2025.

# Committee “For” and “Against” Appointment Form

Name of Jurisdiction/Proposition No.: Clallam County Fire Protection District No.3 - Proposition No. 1

Jurisdiction Contact Name: Justin Grider or Lori Coleman

Email: jgrider@ccfd3.org/Lcoleman@ccfd3.org Phone: 360.683.4242

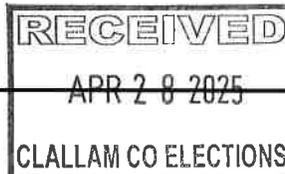
## Jurisdiction’s responsibility:

1. Submit completed form to Clallam County Elections Division on or before the resolution submittal deadline: [elections@clallamcountywa.gov](mailto:elections@clallamcountywa.gov)
2. Provide committee members with statement submission requirements and deadlines. (Requirements and deadlines can be found in the Elections Guide for Jurisdictions and Candidates.)

Questions? Call (360) 417-2217

| “For” Committee (1-3 members) |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| *1st Committee Member:        |                      |
| Name                          | Charlie Meyer        |
| Email                         | cameyer3@gmail.com   |
| Phone                         | 360.775.7630         |
| Website                       |                      |
| 2nd Committee Member:         |                      |
| Name                          | Christopher Lovering |
| Email                         | cbloving@gmail.com   |
| 3rd Committee Member:         |                      |
| Name                          |                      |
| Email                         |                      |

| “Against” Committee (1-3 members) |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| *1st Committee Member:            |  |
| Name                              |  |
| Email                             |  |
| Phone                             |  |
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| 2nd Committee Member:             |  |
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| Email                             |  |



*\*1st Committee Member must provide at least one method of contact, which will be published in the voters’ guide/pamphlet.*