

Resolution Cover Sheet

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Name of District: Clallam County Fire Protection District No.3

District Address: 323 N 5th Avenue, Sequim, WA 98382

Date of Election: November 4, 2025

Contact Person/ Title: Justin Grider, Fire Chief; Lori Coleman

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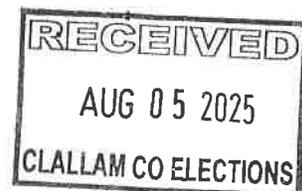
Type of Election (levy, bond, lid lift, etc.): Multi Year Permanent Levy Lid Lift

Please state the pass/fail requirement for this measure (simple majority, supermajority, 60% plus validation, etc.) as determined by your legal counsel:

Simple Majority, RCW 84.55.050(1)

Questions?

Clallam County Elections Division
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RESOLUTION 2025-04

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY

(General - 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 November 4, 2025, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE GENERAL 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. **PROVIDED, THIS PROPOSITION SHALL NOT BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS IF THE LEVY LID LIFT AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01 IS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2025.**

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 one percent limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010.

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 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 one percent 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. The funds raised under this levy shall not supplant existing funds used for the purposes described in Section 1.

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 November 4, 2025, in conjunction with the state general 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 one percent 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. 2025-04 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 1% or the annual CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue as 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: Yes No

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.

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 August 5, 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 November 4, 2025 election. **The Chief, or designee, is further authorized to withdraw this Resolution without further action by the Board in the event the District voters approve the Levy Lid Lift at the August 5, 2025 primary 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.

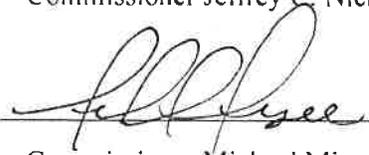
Section 11. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

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 fifteenth day of July 2025, the following commissioners being present and voting:

CLALLAM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3

BY: 
Commissioner Jeffrey C. Nicholas, Chairman

BY: 
Commissioner Michael Mingee, Vice Chairman

BY: 
Commissioner Bill Miano

ATTEST: 
Lori Coleman, District Secretary

Election Date: November 4, 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.

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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

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Jurisdiction’s responsibility:

1. Submit completed form to Clallam County Elections Division on or before the resolution submittal deadline: 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)	
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Name	
Email	

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

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



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July 15, 2025

Clallam County Fire District 3's Pro Committee -

Statement for the voter pamphlet -

Despite the recent failure of Fire District 3's (FD3) levy on the Primary Ballot, FD3 remains committed to serving and protecting in Clallam and Jefferson counties. By repeating FD3's request for a levy restoration, your Fire District is attempting to avoid any disruption to the standard of service the community has come to expect from its dedicated team of emergency responders.

Like you, FD3 is also experiencing challenging times, however, by supporting your Fire District you're making a valuable investment in the safety and protection of your loved ones and properties. Funding for FD3 remains an essential need that is a shared community responsibility reflecting FD3's commitment to serving its neighbors.

Again, FD3's firefighters put their lives on the line every day in dangerous and unpredictable situations. Giving them the right tools and support shows that we truly appreciate their selfless service. Passing the firefighter levy restoration is a smart and caring investment in our community's safety, strength, and future.

Clallam County Fire District 3 provides Emergency Medical Services, Fire Suppression and all Hazard mitigation from three fire stations staffed 24/7/365 with Firefighters, EMT's and Paramedics and three fire stations that are served by our Volunteer members year-round to the communities of Gardiner, Diamond Point, Blyn, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Lost Mountain, Happy Valley, Sequim, Dungeness, Carlsborg, Agnew, Blue Mountain, O'Brien, R Corner, and all points in between, North and South.



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August 14th, 2025

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Clallam County Auditor's Office

Notice: Clallam County Fire District 3 requests the withdrawal of Proposition #1 from the November 2025 General Election. Resolution 2025-04 was filed to propose a Levy Renewal if Resolution 2025-01 failed in the August Primary Election. As the proposition has passed with sufficient votes, we are confident in its certification.

Please formally withdraw Resolution 2025-04, Proposition 1, from the General Election.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Respectfully,

Justin Grider, Fire Chief

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