

# **Resolution Cover Sheet**

This form is mandatory and must accompany each resolution.

Name of District:	Evaline School District	No. 3	6, Lewis County, Washington	
District Address:	111 Schoolhouse Rd, Winlock, WA 98596			
Date of Election:	February 14, 2023			
Contact Person:	Kyle MacDonald	Title:	Superintendent	
Contact Phone:	(360) 785-3460	Email:	kmacdonald@evalinesd.k12.wa.us	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Contact Person:	Christina Bradshaw	Title:	Business Manager	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Contact Phone:	(360) 785-3460	- Email:	cbradshaw@evalinesd.k12.wa.us	
Attorney for District:	Cynthia Weed			
Attorney Phone:	206-370-7801	Attorne	y Email: cynthia.weed@klgates.com	
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Type of Election (levy, b	ond, lid lift, sales tax, etc.):	y		
	or this measure as determined b		gal counsel:	
	or majority 50% +1		ajority or 60%	
			RCW 84.52.053. WA.Const Art.VII,Sec. 2(a)	
	as determined by your legal cou ) in an excess levy or bond electi		e minimum number of voters "required"	

This issue requires validation: **V** Yes

No No

This form must accompany each resolution filed with Lewis County Elections. The contact person or persons should have the authority to do so and be available to answer questions.

Election Date: February 14, 2023

Name of Jurisdiction Submitting Measure: Evaline School District No. 36, Lewis County, Washington

Contact Name: Cynthia Weed

Daytime Contact Phone Number: 206-370-7801

### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - PROPOSITION NO. 1**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would replace an expiring levy and allow the levy of \$190,000 in property taxes within Evaline School District for collection in 2024, and the levy of \$190,000 for collection in 2025. In accordance with Resolution No. 2022-23:2 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the Evaline School District's General Fund to pay part of the general expenses of operating the District. General expenses of the District include educational programs and operations not funded or fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to class size reduction, after school enrichment activities, after school tutoring programs, technology upgrades and enhancements, curriculum replacement, student service payments to other districts, transportation outside of the basic school day, music, maintenance and operations outside of basic education funding, and special education programs not funded through basic education.

If authorized by the voters, such property taxes would be collected at a rate estimated to be \$0.83 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2024, and \$0.83 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2025. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District and the legal limit of the levy amount at the time of the levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Lewis County Assessor at 360-740-1392.

## EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

### REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2022-23:2

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Evaline School District No. 36, Lewis County, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the District at a special election to be held therein on February 14, 2023, of the proposition of whether excess taxes should be levied of \$190,000 in 2023 for collection in 2024 and \$190,000 in 2024 for collection in 2025, said excess taxes to pay part of the cost of educational programs and operations support of the District.

ADOPTED November 15, 2022

#### PREPARED BY:

K&L GATES LLP Seattle, Washington

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WHEREAS, Evaline School District No. 36, Lewis County, Washington, (the "District"), for the past two years has had in effect an educational programs and operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for its educational programs and services, including teaching, school supplies, athletics, buildings and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the current school programs and operations levy expires in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of the District during the 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, the existing authority for the imposition of local tax levies and use of local revenues (including the proceeds of tax levies) has been modified by Chapter 410, Laws of 2019 (66th Legislature, 2019 Regular Session) and may be modified in the future by the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for such educational programs and operations needs, the Board of Directors of the District deems it necessary to levy the following taxes upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

A. A levy in the amount of up to \$190,000, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024; and

B. A levy in the amount of up to \$190,000, said levy to be made in 2024 for collection in 2025; and

WHEREAS, prior to the time the ballot proposition authorized in this resolution is submitted to the voters, the District will have received approval of its educational programs and operations/enrichment tax levy expenditure plan from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required under RCW 84.52.053(4); and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

WHEREAS, taxes collected by the District would be deposited in the District's General Fund to pay part of the general expenses of operating the District, including educational programs and operations not funded or fully funded by the State of Washington, to permit, for example, class size reduction, after school enrichment activities, after school tutoring programs, technology upgrades and enhancements, curriculum replacement, student service payments to other districts, transportation outside of the basic school day, music, maintenance and operations outside of basic education funding, and special education programs not funded through basic education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36, LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

A. A levy in the amount of up to \$190,000, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024;

# B. A levy in the amount of up to \$190,000, said levy to be made in 2024 for collection in 2025; and

The estimated levy rate depends on the limitations of state law. At this time, based on state law, the estimated levy rate for the 2023 levy is \$0.83 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation and the estimated levy rate for the 2024 levy is \$0.83 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate and amount shall be adjusted based upon the legal levy limits and the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy. Upon approval by the voters of the proposition substantially in the form set forth below, the District may use the proceeds of said levies during the 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years by incurring an indebtedness by the issuance of short term obligations against the General Fund of the District, as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW, and may expend the proceeds of said levies to pay such part of the general expenses of educational programs and operations of the District during such school years as may be authorized or allowed by law for the use of local levy funds.

Section 2. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 14, 2023.

The Lewis County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Lewis County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition to the Lewis County Auditor substantially in the following form:

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### PROPOSITION NO. 1

#### EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

### REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Evaline School District adopted Resolution No. 2022-23:2 concerning a replacement levy for educational funding. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District's educational programs and operations not funded or fully funded by the state:

Collection	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000	Levy	
Years	Assessed Value	 Amount	
2024	\$0.83	\$ 190,000	
2025	\$0.83	\$ 190,000	

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?



The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Lewis County Auditor.

Section 3. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Business Manager, (Christina Bradshaw), telephone: 360.785.3460; email: cbradshaw@evalinesd.k12.wa.us; and (b) special counsel, K&L Gates LLP, (Cynthia Weed) telephone: 206.370.7801; email: cynthia.weed@klgates.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Superintendent is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney.

<u>Section 4.</u> Pursuant to RCW 29A.32, the Board of Directors hereby confirms the District's participation in the local voters' pamphlet for the February 14, 2023 election, which shall

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be prepared and published by the Lewis County Auditor, including, but not limited to, an explanatory statement reviewed and approved by the District's attorney, and, if available, a Statement For and a Statement Against. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters' pamphlet.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Evaline School District No. 36, Lewis County,

Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 15th day of November, 2022.

EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36, LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By Chair and Director

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#### CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Evaline School District No. 36, Lewis County, Washington, (the "District") and keeper of the records of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2022-23:2 of the Board (the "Resolution"), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 15th day of November, 2022.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of the Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of November, 2022.

ecretary, Board of Directors

### OFFICIAL BALLOT

## EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

#### February 14, 2023

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote in favor of the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "YES"; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "NO."

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Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount	
2024	\$0.83	\$ 190,000	-
2025	\$0.83	\$ 190,000	

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

YES	
NO	

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

## EVALINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 14, 2023, a special election will be held in the above-named school district for the submission to the qualified electors of said school district of the following proposition:

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all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

YES .....

Lewis County Auditor



Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office 345 W. Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Chehalis, WA 98532 Phone: (360) 740-1240 Fax: (360) 740-1497 TDD: (360) 740-1480

## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Auditor's Office
FROM: Robert W. Bradley, Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
RE: Approval of Ballot Language and Explanatory Statement
DATE: December 16, 2022

Our office has reviewed the proposed levy for Evaline School District No. 36. The ballot language and explanatory statement are impartial, written in clear and concise language, avoid the use of legal and technical terms whenever possible, and do not exceed statutory word limits.

Our office approves as to form.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Bradley Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

## END

It is the Mission of the Lewis County Prosecutor's Office to zealously seek justice in all criminal matters, consistently promote public confidence in the legal system, and diligently represent county government while adhering to the highest ethical and moral standards.