



Idanha-Detroit Rural Fire Protection District

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Explanatory statement 2019 Option levy:

Election date May 21st 2019 Ballot title caption: Five Year Local Option Levy for Emergency Service Operations.

This levy option would be a continuation of a levy option that has been place for the past five years and is not an additional tax. This levy would assist with the funding of general operations, district business, as well as bolster the 911 response.

The District regularly seeks other sources of funding such as grants but none of those sources will pay for operations in general. We have been able to purchase some personal protective equipment through the grant process as well as providing for some staffing through a grant. No operational money funded any of these programs. This levy is not designed to pay for staffing.

The Idanha Detroit fire district was established in 1954 when the timber industry was prospering. At the same time Idanha Detroit fire was just responsible for suppression of fire. Today the Idanha Detroit fire does so much more than Fire suppression. Medical response and rescue service are a majority of our mission to citizens of Idanha and Detroit. The demands for service are wide ranging and ever increasing. There is no funding mechanism other than the option levy that will help with sustaining operations.

This option levy is important due to the decline of the timber industry and the increase for service demands. The Board of Directors for the Idanha Detroit Rural Fire Protection District by resolution at the February 14th 2019 regular board of directors meeting decided to pursue the renewal of the local option levy.

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