

LARIMER COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

NOTICE OF ELECTION

GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder

Elections Office 200 W Oak Street, Suite 5100 PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, CO 80522 Phone: (970) 498-7820 Fax: (970) 498-7847

Website: vote.larimer.gov

Normal Business Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

LOCAL BALLOT ISSUES

This Notice of Election was prepared in accordance with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution and the Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992, as amended. The information contained in this Notice was prepared by persons required by law to provide summaries of ballot issues and fiscal information.

This Notice is mailed to each address with one or more active registered electors eligible to vote on this question.

The Larimer County Clerk and Recorder does not warrant, verify, or confirm the accuracy or truth of the ballot titles, issues, text, and summaries of comments as presented, nor is it responsible for errors in spelling, grammar, or punctuation in the materials presented.

For information or clarification concerning any of the following ballot issues, contact the respective Designated Election Official as indicated herein.

Ballot issues for the State will be mailed separately via the State's "Blue Book."

Further, this Notice does not contain ballot issues for those jurisdictions conducting separate elections. A separate Notice will be mailed to the appropriate voters within the jurisdictions conducting an election by mail or polling place. Voters may receive additional materials from other jurisdictions conducting independent elections.

A General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM.

The election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. Ballot materials will be mailed during the week of October 17, 2022, to every active, registered voter.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail (postage is 60 cents) or hand delivered to a designated ballot drop box location or a Voter Service and Polling Center.

After October 31, 2022, it is recommended that voters personally deliver their ballot to any of the drop box or Voter Service and Polling Center locations listed in the following pages of this Notice.

Ballots must be RECEIVED at the Larimer County Elections Office, a designated ballot drop box location or a Voter Service and Polling Center by 7 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

Ballots received after 7 PM on Election Day will not be counted. **Postmarks do not count as a received date.**

Visit our website at vote.larimer.gov or call (970) 498-7820 to verify your ballot was received by the Larimer County Elections Office.

BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS

(Open October 17 - November 8)

Drop off your voted ballot 24 hours a day at a ballot drop box location listed below. Ballots will be accepted in these boxes until 7 PM Election Night:

Bellvue Area

Ted's Place (Hwy 14/287), 92 Poudre Canyon Rd

Berthoud Area

Berthoud Community Library, 236 Welch Ave

Estes Park Area

Estes Park Municipal Building, 170 MacGregor Ave

Estes Park Vehicle Licensing Office, 1601 Brodie Ave

Fort Collins Area

Colorado State University, Lory Student Center

Elks Lodge, 1424 E Mulberry St

Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 4001 S Taft Hill Ave

Fort Collins Police Services, 2221 S Timberline Rd

Fort Collins Senior Center, 1200 Raintree Dr.

Fort Collins Traffic Operations, 626 Linden St

Harmony Library, 4616 S Shields St

Larimer County Admin. Services, 200 W Oak St

Larimer County Human Services, 1501 Blue Spruce Dr

Northside Aztlan Community Center, 112 E Willow St

South Transit Center, 4915 Fossil Blvd

Laporte Area

Overland Foods, 3333 County Road 54G

Loveland Area

Loveland Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 5250 N Garfield Ave

Loveland Police & Courts, 810 E 10th St

Loveland Public Library, 300 N Adams Ave

Loveland Vehicle Licensing Office, 200 Peridot Ave

Red Feather Lakes Area

Red Feather Lakes Community Library, 71 Fire House Ln

Timnath Area

Timnath Public Works Building, 4800 Goodman Rd

Wellington Area

Wellington Public Library, 3800 Wilson Ave

VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS (VSPC)

Drop off your voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change your address, register to vote, or vote on an ADA accessible voting machine at a Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC).

Visit any VSPC only during dates and times listed below.

VSPCs Open Beginning: Oct 24

Monday thru Friday, Oct 24 - Oct 28 (8 AM - 5 PM) Monday thru Friday, Oct 31 - Nov 4 (8 AM - 5 PM) Saturday, Nov 5 (8 AM - 5 PM) Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM) Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Estes Valley Community Center, 660 Community Dr, Estes Park Colorado State University, Durrell Center, Fort Collins Larimer County Admin. Services, 200 W Oak St, Fort Collins Loveland Police & Courts, 810 E 10th St, Loveland

VSPCs Open Beginning: Nov 4

Friday, Nov 4 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Saturday, Nov 5 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Clearwater Church, 2700 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins Council Tree Covenant Church, 4825 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins Drake Centre, 802 W Drake Rd, Fort Collins Elks Lodge, 1424 E Mulberry St, Fort Collins Hilton Hotel, 425 W Prospect Rd, Fort Collins Crossroads Church, 5240 N Taft Ave, Loveland Grace Community Church, 240 Barberry Pl, Loveland King of Glory Lutheran Church, 2919 N Wilson Ave, Loveland

VSPCs Open Beginning: Nov 7

Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Brookside Gardens, 619 E County Road 8, Berthoud American Legion, 2124 County Road 54G, Fort Collins Council Tree Library, 2733 Council Tree Ave, Fort Collins Fort Collins Country Club, 1920 Country Club Rd, Fort Collins Front Range Community College, 4616 S Shields St, Fort Collins The Ranch, McKee Building, 5280 Arena Cir, Loveland Timnath Town Center, 4750 Signal Tree Dr, Timnath River of Life Fellowship, 3161 County Road 62E, Wellington

TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 8, 2022 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Local Election Office Address: Ashley Frisbie, Director of District Operations,

2154 E Commons Ave, Suite 2000, Centennial, CO 80122

Telephone Number: (303) 858-1800

Ballot Title and Text:

BALLOT ISSUE 7A

Year

SHALL NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$5,000,000 ANNUALLY, AND BY THE AMOUNTS, WHETHER MORE OR LESS THAN \$5,000,000, RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVY OF 5 MILLS, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IF, AFTER NOVEMBER 8, 2022, THERE IS A CHANGE IN THE RATIO OF ACTUAL VALUATION TO ASSESSED VALUATION OR OTHER CHANGE IN THE METHOD OF CALCULATING ASSESSED VALUATION, SUCH LEVY OF 5 MILLS MAY BE INCREASED OR DECREASED TO REFLECT SUCH CHANGES, SUCH INCREASES OR DECREASES TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN GOOD FAITH (SUCH DETERMINATION TO BE BINDING AND FINAL), SO THAT TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE ACTUAL TAX REVENUES GENERATED BY THE MILL LEVY, AS ADJUSTED, ARE NEITHER DIMINISHED NOR ENHANCED AS A RESULT OF SUCH CHANGES: OR BY SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS NECESSARY TO PAY THE DISTRICT'S ADMINISTRATION, OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COSTS, AND OTHER SIMILAR EXPENSES; AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT IN FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING. REVENUE-RAISING, OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, THE LIMITS IMPOSED ON INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAXATION BY SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S., IN ANY YEAR, OR ANY OTHER LAW WHICH PURPORTS TO LIMIT THE DISTRICT'S REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES AS IT CURRENTLY EXISTS OR AS IT MAY BE AMENDED IN THE FUTURE, ALL WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED. RETAINED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending Information:

2022 (Estimated)	\$ 16,617,349.00	
2021	\$ 16,948,881.00	
2020	\$ 13,834,994.00	
2019	\$ 12,484,204.00	
2018	\$ 10,934,789.00	
Overall percentage change from 2018 through 2022 (estimated):		51.97%
Overall dollar change from 2018 through 2022 (estimated):		\$ 5,682,560.00
Estimated 2023 fiscal year spending without proposed tax increase:		\$ 18,862,414.00
Estimated 2023 maximum tax increase	\$ 5,000,000.00	

Fiscal Year Spending

Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 7A:

A 5 mill increase would provide the needed revenue for the North Weld County Water District to continue to provide high-quality water services by making infrastructure investments. 5 mill property tax increase to raise \$5 million annually, which would cost a homeowner \$13.33 per month on a home valued at \$450,000. Funding these investments through a mill levy (as opposed to rate increases) will:

- Enable the District to build required projects faster and make reliability improvements sooner.
- Also, the District to make immediate investments to help avoid a breakdown in the system, which would be expensive to fix in the future.
- Help keep water rates lower for all District customers.

Without a 5 mill property tax increase, the District would have to pay for improvements through rate increases. The District projects that rates will increase by a minimum of 7% each year for 10 years, making water services more expensive. For example, the current Residential Rate is \$4.15 per 1,000 gallons. It is projected that the 2033 Rate would be \$8.16 per 1,000 gallons. Additionally, because rate increases would be spread out over time, NWCWD would make slower investments in the system, increasing the risk of breakdowns and disruptions in service.

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 7A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

END OF BALLOT ISSUE NOTICE

As required by Colorado Statutes (C.R.S. 1-7-905), I hereby certify the ballot issue notices are complete as submitted by the political subdivisions.

Angela Myers Larimer County Clerk & Recorder