OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

RESOLUTION 195 - 2023

A resolution maintaining the Noxious Weed Control Assessment Levy for collection in FY2024

WHEREAS, the Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board is directed to submit a budget to the Okanogan County Board of Commissioners for operating costs of the County Weed Program every year pursuant to RCW 17.10.240; and

WHEREAS, the Okanogan County Board of Commissioners has determined that the control of weeds is a special benefit to the lands within Okanogan County; and

WHEREAS, the Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board recommended continuation of the land classification of "State Land" consisting of all lands within Okanogan County that are owned by the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Noxious Weed Control Board recommends to maintain the current Assessment levy which is twelve dollars & seventy four cents (\$12.74) per parcel, plus two cent (\$0.02) per acre charge for parcels over one acre in size, for all lands within Okanogan County, except undesignated State Lands which is twenty nine censts (\$0.29) per acre; and

WHEREAS, the recommended levy is impartially fair to the taxpayers of Okanogan County and;

WHEREAS, this resolution shall not apply to Trust Indian Land under the control of the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Colville Confederated Tribes, or to any other lands owned by the United States; and,

WHEREAS, all those lands subject to number 1 category Senior Citizen Exemptions shall also be exempt from this resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Noxious Weed Control Assessment levy for 2024 shall be twelve dollars & seventy four cents (\$12.74) per parcel plus two cents (\$.02) per acre for all classified lands (dry lands, range lands, irrigated lands, nonuse lands) within Okanogan County; and all other lands with a classification of "unclassified lands" shall be assessed at twenty nine cents (\$0.29) per acre, based on a 2024 estimated operating budget of \$745,425 as submitted by the Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this levy may be adjusted from year to year based on the budget submitted by the Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board when approved, by motion, by the Board of County Commissioners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this levy shall extend to all land within Okanogan County, both incorporated and un-incorporated, except as provided in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Okanogan County Assessor and the Okanogan County Treasurer are hereby directed to perform the necessary duties to comply with this resolution and RCW 17.10.240.

Dated at Okanogan, Washington this 11th day of December 2023.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON

Chris Branch, Chairman

ATTEST:

Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board

Andy Hover, Vice-Chairman

John Neal, Membe

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