

AGENDA

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 29, 2024
COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
5:00 PM

This meeting has the option of attending via teleconference. The meeting is open for onsite attendees. The teleconference allows for listening to the meeting, but will be muted for incoming participation, except during “citizen comments” that will occur at approximately 9:00am.

Pursuant to ORS 192.640, this agenda includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the above referenced meeting; however, the agenda does not limit the ability of the County Commission to consider additional subjects. Meetings are subject to cancellation without notice. Other than hearings, which are publicly noticed, the time schedule is approximate and may vary for individual agenda items. The Board reserves the right to place a time limit on public testimony on any agenda item. The meeting place is handicapped accessible. Those needing assistance should contact the Commission office two (2) days in advance of the meeting by calling (541) 475-2449.

All agenda items shall be taken up between scheduled (time specific) appointments, action items, or public hearings when time permits.

CONFERENCE CALL LINE: (301) 715-8592 MEETING ID: 898 1666 4155 PASSCODE: 2449
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1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Changes to the Agenda (Consideration of Submission of Late Items)
3. Scheduled Appointments, Action Items, and Public Hearings
 - 3.1 5:00 p.m. - Public Hearing - In the Matter of the Formation of the Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District.
4. Action Items
 - 4.1 Order In the Matter of Calling for an Election to Form the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District With a Permanent Tax Rate of \$1.24 per \$1000 of Assessed Property Value Pursuant to ORS 198.815 - signed by Commission.
[4.1.pdf](#)
5. Announcements/Notification of additional Commission Meetings
6. Adjourn

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

IN THE MATTER OF CALLING FOR AN ELECTION)
TO FORM THE MADRAS AQUATIC CENTER AND)
RECREATION DISTRICT WITH A PERMANENT)
TAX RATE OF \$1.24 PER \$1000 OF ASSESSED) ORDER NO. _____
PROPERTY VALUE PURSUANT TO ORS 198.815)

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners initiated formation of a new park and recreation district by Order No. O-004-24 on January 10, 2024;

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on February 9, 2024 in which it determined that the properties within the proposed district boundary could be benefitted by the formation of the district and entered Order No. O-021-24 which set the time and place for a final hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners, after providing lawful notice, conducted a public hearing on February 29, 2024 to consider whether the area could be benefitted by the formation of a new park and recreation district, to replace the existing park and recreation district, with a permanent tax rate of \$1.24 per \$1000 of assessed property value to provide park and recreation services to the proposed boundary area and to submit that issue to the voters at the May 21, 2024 election;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED by the Jefferson County Commission as follows:

1. The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners finds that all of the area to be included in proposed district boundary will be benefitted by the formation of the park and recreation district.
2. The name of the proposed district shall be the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District, recognizing that the name identified in previous orders and notices was the Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District. The modification to include the word “and” is an effort to eliminate confusion between the existing, but proposed to be dissolved, district and the newly formed district.
3. The boundaries of the proposed district shall be as indicated in the attached Exhibit A, legal description and map. The proposed district shall be authorized to provide park and recreation services under ORS chapter 266 within those boundaries.
4. If formed at the May 21, 2024 election, the district will be governed by a district board consisting of five members which will be voted for at the same election. Candidates shall be nominated as provided by ORS chapter 255 and ORS chapter 266.

5. The formation of the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District, which includes a permanent tax rate of \$1.24 per \$1000 of assessed property value, shall be presented to the voters within the proposed district boundary at the May 21, 2024 election. A ballot title for publication of notice is attached to and made part of this Order as Exhibit B. Staff is directed to file the required election documents and the Commission Chair is authorized to sign such documents on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.

6. Pursuant to ORS 198.815, the Board of Commissioners shall cause notice of the election to be published by two insertions in the Madras Pioneer. The County Clerk shall cause notice of receipt of the ballot title to be published in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon.

7. The permanent tax rate of \$1.24 per \$1000 shall be classified, pursuant to ORS 310.145, as being subject to the limits of section 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution and the revenues will be used to support government operations other than education, specifically the provision of park and recreation services.

8. The Jefferson County Clerk, as the county's election official, shall include with the ballot for the election a description of the boundaries of the proposed district and a statement of the permanent rate in compliance with the requirements of ORS 198.815(3).

DATED this 29th day of February, 2024.

JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSION

Wayne Fording, Commission Chair

Kelly Simmelink, Commissioner

Mark Wunsch, Commissioner

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Alexa Gassner, County Counsel

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

MADRAS AQUATIC CENTER AND RECREATION DISTRICT

Beginning at the intersection of the middle of the channel of the Deschutes River and the North boundary line of Jefferson County, Oregon in Section 5, Township 9 South Range 14 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence Westerly along the north boundary of Jefferson County to the summit of the Cascade Range;

Thence southerly along summit of the Cascade Range to the intersection with Jefferson Creek in Section 4 Township 11 South Range 8 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence easterly down Jefferson Creek to its junction with the Metolius River in Section 35 Township 11 South Range 9 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence down the middle of the channel of Metolius River to its junction with the old channel of the Deschutes River in Section 22 Township 11 South Range 12 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence Southerly along the center channel of the Deschutes River to its intersection with the East-West center line of Section 3, Township 12 South, Range 12 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East through the centers of Sections 3, 2, and 1, in the Township 12 South, Range 12 East of the Willamette Meridian and through the center of Section 6 to the center of Section 5 in Township 12 South, Range 13 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1/2 mile to the 1/4 Section corner on the South side of said Section 5;

Thence East 2.5 miles to the Southeast corner of Section 3, Township 12 South, Range 13 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 1 mile to the Northeast corner of Section 3, Township 12 South, Range 13 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East on the South Boundary of Sections 35 and 36 in Township 11 South, Range 13 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence along the South line of Section 3 1, Township 11 South, Range 14 East of the Willamette Meridian to Willow Creek;

Thence South along Willow Creek to the East line of Township 12 South, Range 14 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South to the Southwest corner of Section 31, Township 12 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 8 miles to the Southeast corner of Section 32, Township 12 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 6 miles to the Northeast corner of Section 5, Township 12 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 3 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 36, Township 11 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 11 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 12, Township 10 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 2 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 3, said Township 10 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 2 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 3 miles to the Southeast corner of Section 25, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 4 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 2 miles to the Northeast corner of Section 8, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 2 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 16, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 1 mile to the Southeast corner of Section 16, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 1 mile to the Northeast corner of Section 16, Township 9 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 6 miles to the Northeast corner of Section 16, Township 9 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 2 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 3, Township 9 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East approximately 15.5 miles along the Northern County Line, to the point where said line intersects the John Day River;

Thence, following the John Day River in a Northerly direction to its intersection with the North line of Section 16, Township 8 South, Range 19 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West approximately 2.5 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 7, Township 8 South, Range 19 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 1 mile to the Northwest corner of Section 7, Township 8 South, Range 19 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 1/2 mile to the middle of Section 12, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1/2 mile to the center of Section 12, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 1/2 mile to the middle of the West Section Line 12, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1/2 mile to the Southeast corner of Section 11, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 4 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 8, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1 mile to the Southeast corner of Section 18, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 1 mile to the Southwest corner of section 18, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1 mile to the Southeast corner of Section 24, Township 8 South, Range 18 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 1 mile to the Southwest corner of Section 24, Township 8 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 3 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 12, Township 8 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 2 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 3 miles to the Northeast corner of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 1 mile to the Northwest corner of Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence North 2 miles to the Northeast corner of Section 17, Township 7 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 2 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 18, Township 7 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1 mile to the Southwest corner of Section 18, Township 7 South, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 4 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 21, Township 7 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

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Thence South 1 mile to the Southwest corner of Section 21, Township 7 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 4 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 26, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 1 mile to the Southwest corner of Section 26 Township 7 South Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence East 1 mile to the Southeast corner of Section 26, Township 7 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 5 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 24, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West 5 miles to the Northwest corner of Section 30, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence South 2 miles to the Southwest corner of Section 31, Township 8 South, Range 15 East of the Willamette Meridian;

Thence West along the North county line to point of beginning.

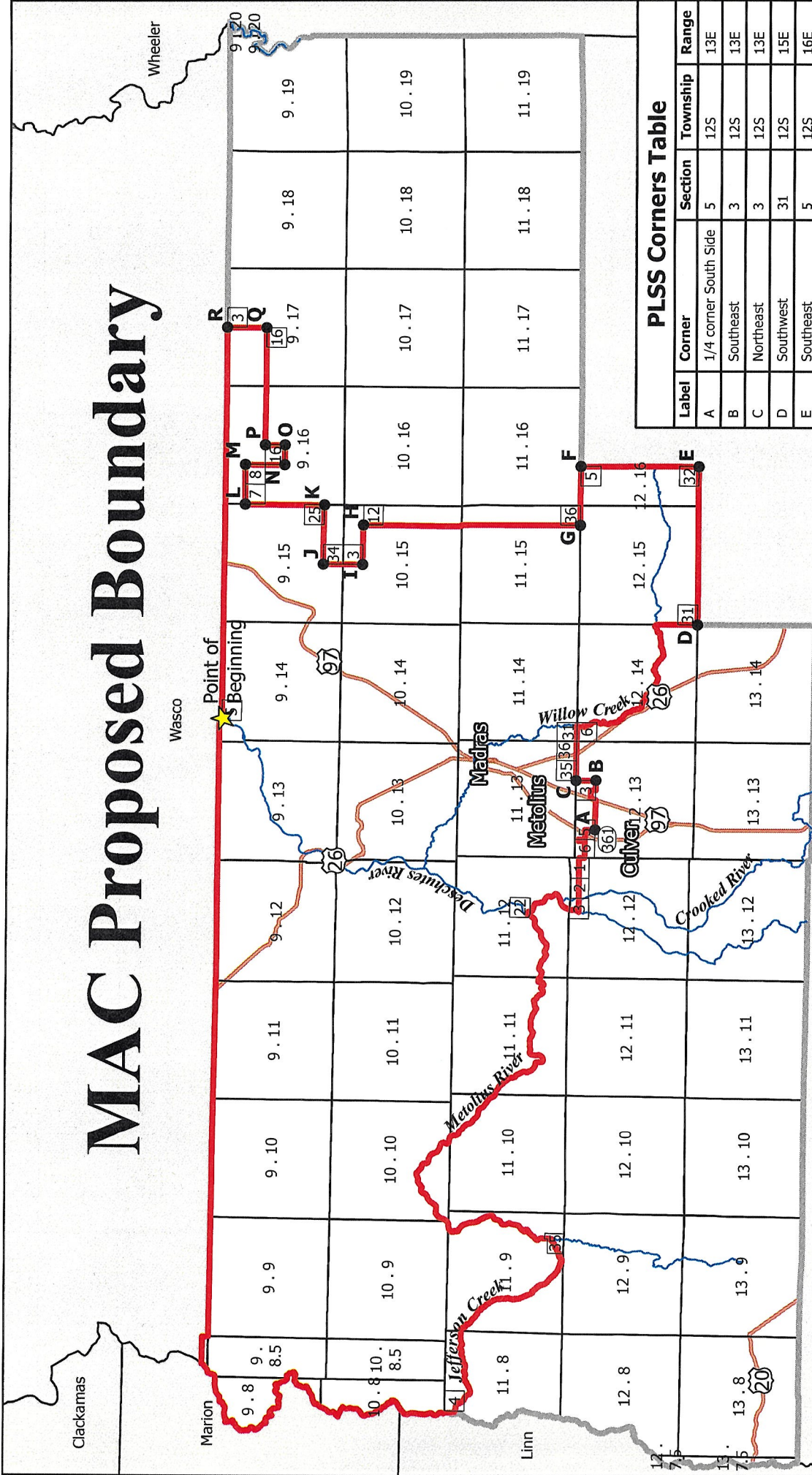
Excepting therefrom the South $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 3, Township 12 South, Range 13 East, W.M., lying East of the Easterly right of way of The Dalles-California Highway, (U.S. 97).

Also Excepting the following described property:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 6, Township 12 South, Range 13 East of the Willamette Meridian; thence Westerly along the South boundary of the said Northeast quarter to the intersection thereof, with the centerline of North Unit Irrigation District irrigation lateral M-43; thence Northerly along the centerline of said lateral M-43 to the intersection thereof with the centerline of North Unit Irrigation District lateral M-43-12; thence northeasterly along centerline of said lateral M-43-12 to the intersection thereof with the East boundary of said Section 6; thence Southerly along the East boundary of said Section 6 to the point of beginning.

Also excepting therefrom that portion lying within Wasco County.

MAC Proposed Boundary



Legend

- MAC Proposed Boundary
- ★ Point of Beginning
- PLSS Corners
- Highways
- Rivers
- Township and Range
- Sections

PLSS Corners Table

Label	Corner	Section	Township	Range
A	1/4 corner South Side	5	12S	13E
B	Southeast	3	12S	13E
C	Northwest	3	12S	13E
D	Southwest	31	12S	15E
E	Southeast	5	12S	16E
F	Northwest	5	12S	16E
G	Southwest	36	11S	15E
H	Northwest	12	10S	15E
I	Southwest	3	10S	15E
J	Northwest	34	9S	15E
K	Southeast	25	9S	15E
L	Northwest	7	9S	16E
M	Northwest	8	9S	16E
N	Southwest	16	9S	16E
O	Southeast	16	9S	16E
P	Northwest	16	9S	16E
Q	Northwest	16	9S	17E
R	Northwest	3	9S	17E

Deschutes



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Request for Ballot Title

Preparation or Publication of Notice

SEL 805

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OAR 165-014-0005

No later than the **81st day before an election**, a governing body that has referred a measure must prepare and file with the local elections official the text of the referral for ballot title preparation or the ballot title for publication of notice of receipt of ballot title. This form may be used to file the text of the referral and request the elections official begin the ballot title drafting process or file a ballot title and request the elections official publish notice of receipt of ballot title.

Filing Information	
Election Date	Authorized Official
Contact Phone	Email Address
Referral Information	
Title, Number or other Identifier	
This Filing is For	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drafting of Ballot Title Attach referral text.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Publication of Notice Ballot title below.
Ballot Title Additional requirements may apply	
<p>Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure. Formation of the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District</p>	
<p>Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure. Shall the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District be formed with a permanent tax rate of \$1.24/\$1000 beginning FY 24-25?</p>	
<p>Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.</p> <p>A "yes" vote forms the Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation District ("New District"), effective July 1, 2024, and establishes a permanent tax rate of \$1.24 per \$1,000 of assessed value.</p> <p>The district will provide the same or similar recreation services currently provided by the Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District ("MACRD"). The New District's boundaries are identical to those of the existing MACRD.</p> <p>If formed, the New District will assume all of the MACRD's operations, assets, contractual agreements, obligations, liabilities, and debts as outlined in the MACRD dissolution plan.</p> <p>This measure will take effect only if Measure # _____ dissolving the MACRD is also approved by the voters.</p>	
<p><i>By signing this document:</i> → I hereby state that I am authorized by the county or city governing body, or district elections authority to submit this Request for Ballot Title – Preparation or Publication of Notice.</p>	

Signature

Date Signed