

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.4625 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Wood County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.4625 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.4319 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.4807 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2025 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Wood County from the same properties in both the 2024 tax year and the 2025 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Wood County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Wood County is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2025 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 4, 2025 AT 9 AM at Wood County Courthouse, 2nd Floor, Commissioner's Courtroom, Quitman, Tx 75783.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Wood County is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Commissioners Court of Wood County at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal: Justin Bowring-Commissioner Pct1 Jerry Gaskill-Commissioner Pct 2
Mike Simmons-Commissioner Pct 3 Russell Acker-Commissioner Pct 4
Kevin White- Wood County Judge

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not
voting:

ABSENT:

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax

rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Wood County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Wood County this year.

	2024	2025	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.4625	\$0.4625	increase of 0.0000 per \$100, or 0.00%
Average homestead taxable value	\$153,444	\$168,068	increase of 9.53%
Tax on average homestead	\$709.68	\$777.31	increase of 67.63, or 9.53%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$19,190,590	\$20,799,107	increase of 1,608,517, or 8.38%

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures

The Wood County spent \$387,297 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in criminal or civil proceedings in accordance with the schedule of fees adopted under Article 26.05, Code of Criminal Procedure and to fund the operations of a public defender’s office under Article 26.044, Code of Criminal Procedure, less the amount of any state grants received. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year’s indigent defense compensation expenditures is \$65,442. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.0003/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Wood County at 903-763-2261 or aluman@mywoodcounty.com, or visit mywoodcounty.com for more information.