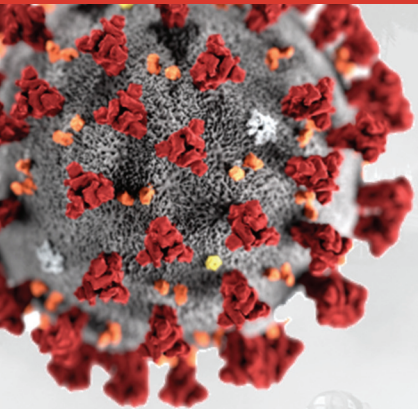


A Message From Your Fire Chief



We are communicating with you during an unprecedented time for our community, state and nation. COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus, has caused uncertainty for many people.

What I want you to know is that we are here to help. We have trained for situations just like this, and we will be ready to respond when you need us.

This mailer provides information about Measure 24-441. We have been communicating for the past year about the need for additional personnel, replacement apparatus and medical equipment. At this point, we expect that funding also will help pay some costs associated with our emergency response to COVID-19.

Thank you for your consideration.

– Fire Chief Kyle McMann

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Questions about what's on your ballot?

What's on my ballot?

Marion County Fire District #1 is asking voters to increase its operating levy to 99 cents on the May 2020 Primary Election ballot as measure number 24-441.

Why is my fire district asking for this?

Call volumes have increased 5.3% per year on average. Additionally, 55% of our calls are overlapping, which also strains our resources. Response times are increasing because we do not have enough personnel to respond. Often we have to rely on mutual aid from neighboring agencies, which takes longer to reach you in an emergency.

Our Strategic Plan calls for hiring additional personnel to respond to emergency calls. It also calls for setting money aside to replace apparatus and equipment. Paying cash for these items saves taxpayers money as opposed to borrowing money with interest. Less debt makes your fire district more secure financially.

How will the funding be used to improve service?

Our fire district plans to hire two additional firefighter/paramedics

to respond to increasing call volumes, replace emergency apparatus and medical equipment. A portion of the funding will be used to pay costs associated with COVID-19.

How much will it cost?

The levy increase from 71 to 99 cents would cost an additional \$28 per year for \$100,000 of assessed property value. See our chart below for your property's value:

Assessed Property Value	Annual Cost	Monthly Cost
\$100,000	\$28	\$2.33
\$200,000	\$56	\$4.67
\$300,000	\$84	\$7.00
\$400,000	\$112	\$9.33

Where can I find more information?

More information can be found on our website at www.mcfd1.com or our Facebook page (@MarionCountyFireDistrict1). Fire Chief Kyle McMann is also available to answer questions at (503) 588-6535 or kylem@mcfd1.com.