

# **Property Tax News**

Tillamook County
Assessment & Taxation

201 Laurel Avenue Tillamook, Oregon

## Paying Your 2008/09 Property Taxes

### **Paying on Time**

BY MAIL

In an ongoing effort to reduce costs and streamline procedures, Tillamook County utilizes a lockbox payment center for processing property tax payments received by mail. Property owners, who wish to pay on or before Nov 17th by mail, may send payment to the lockbox address (please use the enclosed WHITE return envelope). Payments processed by the lockbox facility will be electronically processed and posted to PROP-ERTY TAX accounts each day.

#### IN PERSON

As always, payments may be made in person at the Tillamook County Courthouse located at 201 Laurel Avenue in Tillamook. Our office is located on the main floor at the north end of the building. We accept cash, checks, and money orders in the office (no debit or

credit cards at this time).

#### ONLINE

We also have an online e-payment service available on our website. Payment may be made online by check (\$3.00 flat fee) or with Visa or MasterCard (fee of 2.35% applies). The service is offered through US Bank and is very easy to utilize. (Instructions are available on the website at

### **Late Payments**

Late payments, or payments without a coupon, should be mailed directly to Tillamook County Assessment & Taxation, 201 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook, OR 97141. Interest accrues, on the delinquent portion, on the 16th of each month. Please call for the correct amount before making late payments. Payment may still be made in person at our office located on the main floor, at the north end

of the Tillamook County Courthouse, or online with our e-payment service.

Payment instructions and appeal rights for the Board of Property Tax Appeals are located on the reverse side of your TAX STATE-MENT. Further information may be obtained from website: www.co.tillamook.or.us, or by calling us at 503-842-3400 or toll free, 800-488-8280 extension 4002. You will need your account information to find your account on the website. If you do not have your account information, you may call our office between 8:00a.m. and 5:00p.m., Monday through Friday for assis-



### **CONTACT US**

Phone: 503-842-3400 or 800-488-8280 x4002 Fax: 503-842-3448

Monday through Friday 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

### **Address Changes**

If your **mailing** address has changed, mark the address change box on the front of your payment coupon and indicate the new address on the reverse side.

## Green or Yellow?

What color is your property tax statement? A green statement is a tax bill that you, as a property owner, are responsible for paying. A yellow statement is your copy of a tax bill that either your mortgage company has requested to pay or an indication that your property taxes are deferred through the Department of Revenue under the Senior Deferral program. The requester's name is located in the information box on the left side of your property tax statement. If this request is in error, you may make your payment to: TAX COL-LECTOR, Assessment & Taxation, 201 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook OR 97141.

# The deadline for payment of the 2008/09 property

### **November 17, 2008**

(The 15th falls on a weekend.)

Please have all payments postmarked, submitted for online payment, or in our office by this date to receive any applicable discount. (See other side for additional 2008/09 payment options and due dates.)

## Pay your property taxes online!

Visit our website at www.co.tillamook.or.us and click on the "Pay Property Taxes" button on the main page. Pay by check (\$3.00 flat fee) or credit card (fee of 2.35% applies).





# 3% Discount

Pay early to ensure you receive your 3% (or optional 2%) discount. (Postmarks accepted.)





### **Rural Fire Patrol Rate Change**

If your property is located in a Department of Forestry fire protected area, you will notice an increase in the rate for Fire Patrol on your property tax statement. This increase is due to legislation, increased district budgets (due to successive difficult fire seasons), and to repay a short-term loan to the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund.

For additional information, please contact the local Ore-

gon Department of Forestry office: 503-842-2545 or visit the Oregon State website at www.oregon.gov/odf/offices.shtml.

You may also pick up informational pamphlets at our office: Tillamook County Assessment and Taxation, 201 Laurel Ave., Tillamook, Oregon, available to the public from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.



### QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY VALUE?

If you have a question or concern regarding your property value, contact the Assessor's Office at 503-842-3400 or toll free: 800-488-8280 x4002.

You may appeal your property's value for the 2008-09 tax year with the Board of Property Tax Appeals. Appeals must be filed NO LATER THAN December 31, 2008. Please refer to the back of your property tax statement for more information or call the County Clerk at 503-842-3402.

# PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL

The Oregon Property Tax Deferral program for dis-

abled and senior citizens is available for qualifying individuals. If you will be 62 or older by April 15, 2009, or



are under 62 and are receiving Federal Social Security Disability you may qualify. (Income restrictions apply.)

If approved for the program, the State of Oregon pays your property taxes and charges simple interest at 6%. Payments and interest are deferred and payable upon any change in ownership of the property.

For further information, or an application, please contact our office and ask about the deferral program.

## Are You Eligible for the Veteran's Exemption?

Veterans who are 40% or more disabled (and surviving spouses who have not remarried) may be entitled to a reduction in property taxes. One-time application required—the filing deadline for new applicants is April 1, 2009.

For more information, or to apply



for the 2009/10 tax year, please contact the Assessor's Office at 503-842-3400 and ask about the veteran's exemption.







The 15th falls on a weekend for both the November and February due dates. The adjusted deadlines are as follows: Full amount (3% discount), two-thirds amount (2% discount), and first installment: November 17, 2008; second installment: February 17, 2009; third installment: May 15, 2009. (Postmarks accepted for due date.)

## 2008/09 Property Tax Increases and Decreases

DISTRICT	2008 TOTAL	2007 TOTAL	% DECREASE	% INCREASE	NET CHANGE (PER 1000 AV)
CITY OF BAY CITY	3.2023	2.6381		21.3866	0.5642
CITY OF MANZANITA	0.4233	0.9031	53.1281		0.4798
FAIRVIEW WATER DIST	0.1246	0.1498	16.8224		0.0252
NEHALEM RFD	0.0064	0.4746	98.6515		0.4682
NETARTS-OCEANSIDE SD BOND	0.8685	0.9699	10.4547		0.1014
PACIFIC CITY JW-SA BOND	1.7507	2.2587	22.4908		0.5080
TWIN ROCKS SAN BOND	0.0000	0.2319	100.0000		0.2319
TWIN ROCKS WD	0.3689	0.4158	11.2795		0.0469
WATS-BARVIEW WD BOND	0.2840	0.3280	13.4146		0.0440
WILSONRIVER WD	0.4692	0.5995	21.7348		0.1303

Check out our website for property tax and assessment information, news, and links to important information for property tax payers.

