### **CENTRAL PLATTE NRD**

# PUBLIC HEARING TO SET PROPERTY TAX REQUEST Fiscal Year 2025/2026 September 4, 2025

**ATTENDANCE:** Board members present were:

Lon Bohn

Keith Ostermeier

Ed Stoltenberg

Tom Downey

**Doug Reeves** 

John Stoltenberg

Brian Keiser

Marvion Reichert

Deb VanMatre

Amy Kyes

Mick Reynolds

Kevin Werner

Jerry Milner

Jay Richeson

Mike Wilkens

Barry Obermiller

Staff present: Lyndon Vogt – General Manager, Jesse Mintken – Assistant Manager, Kelly Cole – Administrative Assistant, Marcia Lee – Information/Education Specialist and Brody Vorderstrasse – Communications Assistant

Others present: Nolan Little - Tri-Basin NRD Assistant Manager

**OPEN HEARING:** Chairman Deb VanMatre opened the public hearing at 1:45 pm. She stated that this public hearing is an open meeting of the Central Platte Natural Resources District. The NRD abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is displayed on the South wall of this room, as required by State Law. He said the purpose of the hearing was to receive support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final Fiscal 2025/2026 budget tax request at a different amount than last year's request.

Chairman VanMatre said notices of the hearing were published in the Grand Island Independent, Kearney Hub, Central City Republican Nonpareil, Lexington Clipper Herald and Gothenburg Leader. The hearing notice was entered into the record (See attached Grand Island Independent notice).

**REVIEW:** Manager, Lyndon Vogt reviewed the proposed "Resolution Setting the Property Tax Request". If approved the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 property tax request would be \$5,347,834.31 and would require a levy of 0.021738 based on the district's valuation of \$24,601,392,788. A copy of the proposed resolution had been provided to the directors prior to the public hearing.

**CALL FOR TESTIMONEY:** Chairman VanMatre then asked if anyone in attendance wanted to present testimony on the proposed property tax request or resolution. There was none.

**CLOSE:** Chairman VanMatre closed the hearing at 1:50pm.

See September 4, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes for action taken.

# AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Grand Island Independent 422 West 1s St, Grand Island, NE 68801 (308) 382-1000

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Anjana Bhadoriya

Agent



## **VERIFICATION**

State of Florida County of Orange

Signed or attested before me on this: 08/26/2025

Notary Public

Notarized remotely online using communication technology via Proof.

#### Levy Hearing Notice NOTICE OF SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST – FISCAL 2025/2026 Central Platte Natural Resources District

Public notice is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statutes 77-1601.02, that the governing body of the Central Plate Natural Resources District will meet on September 4, 2025, at 1:45 p.m. for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request. The hearing will be at the headquarters office at 215 Kaufman Avenue, Grand Island, Nebraska.

2024/2025 Taxable Valuation: \$22,391,731,570.00
2025/2026 Taxable Valuation: \$24,601,392,788.00
Valuation Percentage Increase from 2024/2025 to 2025/2026: 9.87%
2024/2025 Tax Request: \$5,349,324.17 Property Tax Rate: 0.023890
2024/2025 Tax Request based on 2025/2026 Valuation: 0.021744
Proposed 2025/2026 Tax Request: \$5,347,834.31 Property Tax Rate: 0.021738
Property Tax Rate Decrease from 2024/2025 to 2025/2026: 0.03%
Total Operating Budget Decrease from 2024/2025 to 2025/2026: 8.40%
Unused Budget Authority Created for Next Year: \$2,174,303.91
August 26, 2025