

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.421531 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of BREWSTER COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	<u>\$0.421531</u>	per	\$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	<u>\$0.369200</u>	per	\$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	<u>\$0.421531</u>	per	\$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for BREWSTER COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that BREWSTER 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 BREWSTER COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2021, 9:30 A.M. at the BREWSTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 201 W. AVE. E, ALPINE, TEXAS. The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, BREWSTER 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 BREWSTER COUNTY at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

FOR the proposal: ELEAZAR CANO, BREWSTER COUNTY JUDGE; JIM WESTERMANN, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1;
SARA COLANDO, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2; RUBEN ORTEGA, COMMISSIONER PCT 3;
MIKE PALLANEZ, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

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 BREWSTER COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by BREWSTER COUNTY this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.389601	\$0.421531	Increase of \$0.03193
Average homestead taxable value	\$126,364	\$136,679	Increase of 8.16%
Tax on average homestead	\$492.32	\$576.14	Increase of \$83.82
Total tax levy on all properties	\$3,632,580	\$4,258,396	Increase of \$625,816

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for BREWSTER COUNTY at 432-837-2214 or taxassessorcollector@brewstercotad.org or visit www.brewstercountytx.com for more information.