Summit County

Taryn Power
COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER
208 E. Lincoln Ave.
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GENERAL ELECTION

The Election within Summit County will be conducted as a Mail Ballot Election on November 3, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

This is a Composite of All Ballot Issues for this Election. Please Refer to Your Official Ballot for a Listing of Ballot Issues on Which You Are Entitled to Vote.

TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES/TO INCREASE DEBT/ON A CITIZEN PETITION/ON A REFERRED MEASURE

THIS IS NOT A BALLOT

THIS PAMPHLET CONTAINS SUMMARY STATEMENTS FOR BALLOT PROPOSITIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF COLORADO CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE X, SECTION 20.

"A 'YES/FOR' VOTE ON ANY BALLOT ISSUE IS A VOTE IN FAVOR OF CHANGING CURRENT LAW OR EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES, AND A 'NO/AGAINST' VOTE ON ANY BALLOT ISSUE IS A VOTE AGAINST CHANGING CURRENT LAW OR EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCE."

SUMMIT COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

OFFICE HOURS 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
PO Box 1538
208 E. Lincoln Avenue
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Phone (970) 453-3479

www.summitcountyco.gov/vote

BALLOTS MAY BE RETURNED TO THE ELECTION OFFICE BY MAIL OR DROPPED OFF AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Early In-Person Voting & Ballot Replacement
South Branch Library
103 S. Harris Street, Breckenridge
8:30 am – 4:30 pm M-F, October 19 – November 2
8:00 am – 12:00 pm Saturday, October 31

Ballot Replacement
Old County Courthouse
208 E. Lincoln Avenue, Breckenridge
8:30 am – 4:30 pm M-F, September 21 – November 2
7:00 am – 7:00 pm Tuesday, November 3 Election Day

Election Day In-Person Voting & Ballot Replacement
Summit County Community & Senior Center
83 Nancy's Place, Frisco
7:00 am – 7:00 pm Tuesday, November 3 Election Day

Silverthorne Pavilion
400 Blue River Parkway, Silverthorne
7:00 am – 7:00 pm Tuesday, November 3 Election Day

South Branch Library
103 S. Harris Street, Breckenridge
7:00 am – 7:00 pm Tuesday, November 3 Election Day

ADA accessible voting machines are available at any VSPC listed above.

24-Hour Secure Ballot Drop Box Locations:
Friday, October 2 to Tuesday, November 3 at 7:00 PM

Dillon Town Hall
275 Lake Dillon Drive
Dillon

Old County Courthouse
208 E. Lincoln Avenue
Breckenridge

Frisco Town Hall
1 Main Street
Frisco

County Commons
37 Peak One Drive
Frisco

Silverthorne Town Hall
601 Center Circle
Silverthorne

THE 2026 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION.

All eligible, registered voters will receive a ballot in the mail.

Mail Ballots will be sent to each "Active" voter in Summit County. We will begin mailing absentee ballots out the week of October 5, 2026. If you do not receive a ballot, please call the Summit County Election Office at 970-453-3479. The ballots are due back in the elections office by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

Mail Ballots may be returned by hand delivery to any of the above listed 24-Hour Secure Drop Boxes, the Clerk & Recorder's Office during business hours, or at the Early Voter Service and Polling Center during business hours prior to and on Election Day.

Mail ballots may be returned at any of the Summit County Voter Service and Polling Centers on Election Day during voting hours (no later than 7:00 pm).

GENERAL INFORMATION

This voter information pamphlet contains referenda and/or initiatives appearing on your 2026 General Election Ballot.

THE MAILING AND CONTENT OF THIS NOTICE IS MANDATED BY AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 (THE TABOR AMENDMENT) OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION.

The political subdivision providing this voter information notice does not warrant the accuracy or truth of any statement made in the summaries, nor is it responsible for errors in spelling, grammar, or punctuation of submitted statements.

RECEIPT OF THIS VOTER'S INFORMATION PAMPHLET DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT EVERY RESIDENT OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. YOU MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ON ALL ISSUES PRESENTED.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONCERNING VOTING PROCEDURES, BALLOT DROP LOCATIONS, OR YOUR ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE, REFER INITIALLY TO THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS NOTICE. FURTHER DETAILS MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING YOUR LOCAL ELECTION OFFICE LISTED BELOW.

ELECTIONS WITHIN SUMMIT COUNTY WILL BE CONDUCTED BY MAIL BALLOT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FROM 7 AM - 7 PM.

THE MAIL BALLOT DROP OFF LOCATIONS AND WALK IN VOTING LOCATIONS ARE ALSO OPEN DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS THROUGH MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026.

ATTEST: THE FOREGOING BALLOT ISSUE NOTICE IS COMPLETE AS SUBMITTED BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.

Taryn Power
Summit County Clerk & Recorder

FROM:
SUMMIT COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER
PO BOX 1538
BRECKENRIDGE, CO 80424
Telephone: (970) 453-3479

TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION
ON A REFERRED MEASURE

SUMMIT COUNTY, COLORADO

Election Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL
TARYN POWER, COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER
208 LINCOLN AVE., PO BOX 1538
BRECKENRIDGE, CO 80424

REFERRED MEASURE 1A

WITHOUT RAISING ANY ADDITIONAL TAXES AND TO CONTINUE FUNDING FOR:

- WILDFIRE PREVENTION;
- MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR SUMMIT COUNTY YOUTH AND ADULTS;
- AFFORDABLE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND LEARNING FOR SUMMIT COUNTY FAMILIES AND WORKERS;
- IMPROVING PUBLIC BUILDINGS/COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND EXTENDING THEIR USEFUL LIFE; AND
- SUSTAINING RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION PROGRAMS,

SHALL SUMMIT COUNTY BE AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT AND EXPEND REVENUES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY SUMMIT COUNTY VOTERS IN 2018 BY SUMMIT COUNTY REFERRED MEASURE 1A BY THE ONGOING EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING FOUR AND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSANDTHS MILL LEVY PROPERTY TAX COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2028, AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, WITHOUT LIMITATION OR CONDITION UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW, WITH ALL EXPENDITURES MADE IN CONSIDERATION OF INDEPENDENT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUBJECT TO ANNUAL INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDIT?

YES/FOR NO/AGAINST

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 1A:

In 2018, voters approved a temporary mill levy to address the community's most critical challenges. Summit County Referred Measure 1A, known as Strong Future, supports wildfire prevention and mitigation; mental health and suicide prevention; waste diversion; early childhood education; and the improvement of community spaces. These benefits and protections can be provided by extending the existing mill levy without any increased tax rate or additional taxes beyond existing levels, with all spending subject to local oversight and annual audits.

Since its adoption, Strong Future has delivered the following:

- Approximately $1 million invested annually in wildfire mitigation.
- Over $15 million invested in early childhood tuition assistance, serving 1,400+ families.
- Over $4 million invested in teacher retention and training.
- 4,400+ Building Hope mental health scholarships awarded and 34,000+ hours of therapy delivered.
- 20+ mental health and suicide prevention programs, supporting 13 local organizations.
- Two new recycling centers and expanded composting services.
- Community facility improvements, including library expansions, emergency services and search-and-rescue buildings, the Wildflower Nature School, and shooting range upgrades.

These programs improve the safety, sustainability and health of our community, causing a positive ripple effect through the County.

Independent research found that 78% of Summit County voters support Strong Future once they understand what it pays for, and 63% approve of the County's current services.

Wildfire is our greatest hazard risk. Strong Future supported mitigation projects on over 840 acres of forest; subsidized free curbside chipping for residents; and provided grants to homeowners, businesses, and HOAs to perform wildfire mitigation.

Strong Future funds created several mental health and suicide prevention programs at local organizations including Building Hope Summit County, a nonprofit advancing access to mental health care, and SMART, a nationally-recognized program offering on-site, compassionate deescalation of mental health crises.

Summit County values sustainability and waste diversion to reduce reliance on raw materials, cut carbon emissions and preserve the environment. Residents now have more opportunities to recycle more items and compost food waste at no cost. These programs led to an increase of 33% in diversion of recycling and compost from the landfill, maximizing its useful life.

Public spaces allow people to engage in civic, communal activities, and are places where they can make connections. These facilities support vital public health and emergency services, including those for our first responders, enhancing overall community welfare. Improvements must be made to public buildings facilities to extend their life, protect past public investments, and improve accessibility.

Investment in early childhood education has provided essential tuition assistance for local families; led to increased wages for teachers; fostered and retained an educated and reliable workforce; and created new slots for early childhood care throughout the community. These programs enable local working families to afford quality, safe early childhood care and learning for their children and allow local businesses to keep quality workers.

Without continued support via Referred Measure 1A, the community stands to lose the progress made by Strong Future-funded programs that have contributed to a healthier, more stable and even more vibrant community.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 1A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

SUMMIT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

Election Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL
LISA WEBSTER,
150 SCHOOL RD., PO BOX 7, FRISCO, CO 80443
Telephone: (314) 503-3128

BALLOT ISSUE 4A

SHALL SUMMIT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 TAXES BE INCREASED $5.9 MILLION FOR TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2027 AND IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS MAY BE COLLECTED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER; WITH FUNDS TO BE USED FOR PURPOSES SUCH AS:

1. ATTRACTING AND RETAINING HIGH-QUALITY TEACHERS AND STAFF THROUGH COMPETITIVE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS;

2. STRENGTHENING PK-12 PROGRAMS AND INCREASING STUDENTS' OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLEGE CREDITS, CAREER AND TECHNICAL INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS, AND HANDS-ON LEARNING EXPERIENCES ALIGNED TO WORKFORCE AND POSTSECONDARY PATHWAYS;

3. STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC OUTCOMES AND REDUCING ACHIEVEMENT GAPS;

FROM THE IMPOSITION OF A MILL LEVY IMPOSED AT A RATE, WHEN COMBINED WITH PRIOR VOTER APPROVED MILL LEVY OVERRIDE QUESTIONS, WILL GENERATE REVENUES UP TO THE LIMIT ESTABLISHED FOR THE DISTRICT BY SECTION 22-54-108(3)(B)(VI), C.R.S.; SUCH ADDITIONAL REVENUES TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND AND USED FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES AS PROVIDED HEREIN AND AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE DISTRICT VOTERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-54-108(V), C.R.S.; AND SHALL THE REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND ANY OTHER LAW?

YES/FOR NO/AGAINST

Total District Fiscal Year Spending

Fiscal Year	
2026-2027 (estimated)	$55,726,954
2025-2026 (actual)	$53,984,011
2024-2025 (actual)	$52,460,810
2023-2024 (actual)	$47,467,225
2022-2023 (actual)	$41,929,988

Overall percentage change from 2022-2023 to 2026-2027: 32.9 %
Overall dollar change from 2022-2023 to 2026-2027: $ 13,796,966

Proposed Tax Increase

District Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increase):

Ballot Issue 4A: $5,900,000

District Estimate of 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Spending Without the Proposed Tax Increase: $ 55,726,954

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 4A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 4A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE DEBT ON A REFERRED MEASURE

WEST GRAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 1-JT.

Election Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL
LACEY PAEGLOW,
715 KINSEY AVE., PO BOX 515
KREMMLING, CO 80459

BALLOT ISSUE 5A

WITHOUT IMPOSING ANY NEW TAX, SHALL WEST GRAND SCHOOL DISTRICT DEBT BE INCREASED UP TO $13.3 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO $24.97 MILLION (PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST), WITH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBT TO BE USED TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO DISTRICT FACILITIES, INCLUDING:

- RENOVATION OF JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL TO FOCUS ON HEALTH, SAFETY, ACCESSIBILITY AND SECURITY UPGRADES AND IMPROVEMENTS;
- PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A STATE GRANT IN AN APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF $10 MILLION (THE RECEIPT OF WHICH IS CONTINGENT UPON THE DISTRICT'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE THE MATCHING AMOUNT AND WHICH GRANT DOES NOT NEED TO BE REPAID);

AND SHALL THE TAXES AUTHORIZED AT THE 2006 ELECTION BE EXTENDED AND USED TO PAY THIS DEBT IN ADDITION TO THE 2006 DEBT; AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE BUT ONLY IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY REFUNDING DEBT (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SAME); AND MAY SUCH DEBT BE EVIDENCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE, FOR A PRICE ABOVE OR BELOW THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW; AND SHALL THE REVENUES FROM SUCH DEBT AND TAXES AND ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS THEREON BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND ANY OTHER LAW?

YES/FOR NO/AGAINST

Total District Fiscal Year Spending

Fiscal Year	
2026-2027 (estimated)	$9,642,406
2025-2026 (unaudited actual)	$9,443,056
2024-2025 (actual)	$9,587,596
2023-2024 (actual)	$8,914,564
2022-2023 (actual)	$8,216,235

Overall percentage change from 2022-2023 to 2026-2027: 17.35%
Overall dollar change from 2022-2023 to 2026-2027: $1,426,171

Information on District's Proposed Debt

BALLOT ISSUE 5A:

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds:	Not to exceed $13,300,000
Maximum Annual District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed $998,500
Total District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed $24,970,000

Information on District's Current Debt[1]

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt:	$825,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	$835,313
Remaining Total Repayment Cost:	$835,313

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 5A:

VOTE YES ON 5A TO SECURE WGSD'S FUTURE WITHOUT INCREASING TAXES.

The West Grand Junior/Senior High School building was constructed in 1976. Original 50-year-old infrastructure needs replaced to bring the building up to code and school safety standards.

The bond WGSD voters approved in 2006 to construct the elementary school will be paid off this year. 5A asks voters to EXTEND that debt, WITHOUT INCREASING A TAX PREVIOUSLY APPROVED, to help fund critical repairs needed for the Junior/Senior High School to continue serving our community.

WGSD has been awarded a $10 million Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) grant. WGSD does not receive the grant funds if 5A does not pass. The no tax-increase bond funds will be used as required matching funds for the infrastructure project.

This is an opportunity to replace aging infrastructure and make necessary ADA and safety improvements for 60 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR, and extend the school's life for another 20-30 years. Without the bond extension and BEST grant, these projects will not be completed (WGSD's annual capital budget is a fraction of the total project cost), and WGSD's future becomes uncertain.

YES will:

CONSTRUCT SECURE FRONT ENTRANCE AND ENHANCED CONTROL SYSTEMS. The main entrance met 1970s security requirements with one exterior door that locks. Schools are now required to meet higher safety standards: Two sets of locking doors with a window to the office in between for visitors to check in BEFORE entering the school. 5A would fund remodeling the entrance, adjacent classroom and front offices to meet this standard.

INSTALL A FULL FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM. The only part of the building that currently has a sprinkler system is the woodshop. The remaining spaces have fire alarms but not sprinklers. 5A would fund a modern fire suppression system throughout the school.

REPLACE FAILING PLUMBING AND FIXTURES TO MEET ADA REQUIREMENTS. The boys locker room has several inoperable toilets, drinking fountains and other fixtures. These are not the result of deferred maintenance, but rather a requirement that - in order to repair the plumbing infrastructure - asbestos mitigation needs to be performed. ALL of the plumbing needs brought up to building code. 5A would fund overhauling the plumbing and installing ADA compliant fixtures in locker rooms, bathrooms and other spaces.

INSTALL AN ELEVATOR FOR ADA AND EMERGENCY ACCESS TO THE GYM FLOOR. Our gymnasium is the crown jewel of our facility where sporting events, graduation and community functions are held. It can only be accessed by stairs. It is not ADA compliant, nor can first responders transport a patient from the gym floor safely and effectively. 5A would fund installing an elevator in place of one of the four stairwells.

REPLACE ORIGINAL MECHANICAL, PLUMBING AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. Updating this infrastructure requires asbestos abatement. 5A would fund the systems updates, and the asbestos abatement needed to perform these projects, along with the fire suppression system and locker room repairs.

Invest in our community and help preserve our heritage for generations to come. Vote YES on 5A.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 5A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

1 Excluded from debt are enterprise and annual appropriation obligations.