

Proposed Budget

Weston County Fire Protection District	
Budget Hearing Information	
PO Box 937	Location: Fire Hall 17 Fairgrounds RD Newcastle WY
Newcastle WY 82701	Date: 7/14/2025
(307) 746-2031	Time: 4:30 p.m.
Weston County	Budget Prepared by: Daniel Tysdal

S-A	BUDGET MESSAGE	W.S. 16-12-403 (c)
<p>With funding levels decreasing considerably due to property tax reductions, the financial policies of the Weston County Fire Protection District will remain conservative for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. These policies will continue to emphasize maintaining adequate reserves of cash for general operating between revenue gaps, maintaining reserves for catastrophic fire suppression and any other emergency that may arise, as well as maintaining a depreciation reserve for replacement of capital equipment. Due to an extended, severe fire season last year, many expenses increased substantially including Operating Supplies, Repairs & Maintenance and Suppression Expenses. Donation income as well as revenue received from sending equipment to national project fires was up significantly, which has helped to offset the increased expenditures from the difficult 2024 wildland fire season and 2025 projected decrease in property tax revenue. This fiscal year's efforts will continue to focus on maintaining and upgrading current equipment, facilities, and personnel to provide efficient and effective fire protection services. Our cautious and realistic budgeting approach will provide funding where needed and allow any unused amounts to be available as cash carry-over to supplement future budgets. Last year was the final year of the Fuels Mitigation Grant funding and therefore, no expenses have been budgeted for this fiscal year. An area with significant revenue and expense is in Project Fire Costs. As wildland fire activity increases throughout the nation this summer and in an attempt to generate revenue for the District, we expect to have firefighters dispatched to several out of county incidents. Both the anticipated revenue and expenditures, recorded in the R5.2 and E7.1, E15 and E12.3 categories, reflect those anticipated dispatches this season. Any associated expenses with these assignments are billed to the incident and our firefighters are paid with reimbursed funds. The Weston County Fire Protection District formally requests three full mills funding, as even if it exceeds budgeted figures, any additional amounts will be carried forward and allocated to future expenditures; thereby allowing the District to provide its constituents a high level of service and protection while remaining fiscally conservative. We would also like to acknowledge the invaluable service and commitment our volunteer firefighters provide to the District and to the citizens of Weston County.</p>		

S-B	RESERVE DESCRIPTION
<p>The Weston County Fire Protection District has a \$100,000.00 Depreciation Reserve for the replacement of capital equipment, a \$225,000.00 Cash Operating Reserve for general operating between revenue gaps, a \$150,000.00 Fire Suppression Reserve for catastrophic fire suppression as well as a \$150,000.00 Emergency Reserve for any other emergency that may arise, for a total of \$625,000.00 in reserves.</p>	

S-C		Does the district have regular office hours exceeding 20 hours per week?
Names of Board Members	Date of End of Term	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Rick Wehri	11/3/26	<p>If Yes, enter</p> <p>Address of office: 3166 West Main Street</p> <p>City, State, Zip: Newcastle WY 82701</p> <p>Phone Number: (307) 746-2031</p> <p>Hours Open: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>
Shane Sweet	11/7/28	
Phil Lipp	11/7/28	

Where are the minutes of your board meeting available for public review?

District Office 3166 West Main Street Newcastle WY 82701

How and where are the notices of meeting posted for the public?

Door Sign - District Office

Where are the public meetings held?

Fire Hall 17 Fairgrounds Road Newcastle WY 82701

PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

OVERVIEW		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
S-1	Total Budgeted Expenditures	\$745,119	\$885,636	\$2,320,854	\$2,320,854
S-2	Total Principal to Pay on Debt	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-3	Total Change to Restricted Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-4	Total General Fund and Forecasted Revenues Available	\$1,881,848	\$1,928,934	\$2,320,854	\$2,320,854
S-5	Amount requested from County Commissioners	\$527,799	\$518,873	\$481,570	\$481,570
S-6	Additional Funding Needed :			\$0	\$0
	Projected Surplus:			\$0	\$0
REVENUE SUMMARY		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
S-7	Operating Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-8	Tax levy (From the County Treasurer)	\$474,524	\$464,551	\$432,010	\$432,010
S-9	Government Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-10	Grants	\$117,457	\$55,040	\$131,258	\$131,258
S-11	Other County Support (Not from Co. Treas.)	\$53,276	\$54,322	\$49,560	\$49,560
S-12	Miscellaneous	\$196,433	\$314,862	\$664,705	\$664,705
S-13	Other Forecasted Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-14	Total Revenue	\$841,689	\$888,775	\$1,277,533	\$1,277,533
FY 7/1/25-6/30/26		Weston County Fire Protection District			
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
S-15	Capital Outlay	\$138,517	\$95,981	\$220,000	\$220,000
S-16	Interest and Fees On Debt	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-17	Administration	\$84,705	\$86,345	\$128,060	\$128,060
S-18	Operations	\$403,337	\$586,523	\$1,732,419	\$1,732,419
S-19	Indirect Costs	\$118,561	\$116,787	\$240,375	\$240,375
S-20R	Expenditures paid by Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-20	Total Expenditures	\$745,119	\$885,636	\$2,320,854	\$2,320,854
DEBT SUMMARY		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
S-21	Principal Paid on Debt	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CASH AND INVESTMENTS		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
S-22	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS	\$1,040,159	\$1,040,159	\$1,043,321	\$1,043,321
Summary of Reserve Funds					
S-23	Beginning Balance in Reserve Accounts				
S-24	a. Sinking and Debt Service Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-25	b. Reserves	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
S-26	c. Bond Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Reserves (a+b+c)	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
S-27	Amount to be added				
S-28	a. Sinking and Debt Service Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-29	b. Reserves	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-30	c. Bond Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total to be added (a+b+c)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-31	Subtotal	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
S-32	Less Total to be spent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
S-33	TOTAL RESERVES AT END OF FISCAL YEAR	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000

End of Summary

Date adopted by Special District _____

Budget Officer / District Official (if not same as "Submitted by") _____

DISTRICT ADDRESS: PO Box 937
Newcastle WY 82701

PREPARED BY: Daniel Tysdal

DISTRICT PHONE: (307) 746-2031

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PROPERTY TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

		DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
R-1	Property Taxes and Assessments Received					
R-1.1	Tax Levy (From the County Treasurer)					
R-1.2	Other County Support (see note on the right)					
		4001	\$474,524	\$464,551	\$432,010	\$432,010
		4005	\$53,276	\$54,322	\$49,560	\$49,560

FORECASTED REVENUE

		DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
R-2	Revenues from Other Governments					
R-2.1	State Aid	4211				
R-2.2	Additional County Aid (non-treasurer)	4237				
R-2.3	City (or Town) Aid	4237				
R-2.4	Other (Specify)	4237				
R-2.5	Total Government Support		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
R-3	Operating Revenues					
R-3.1	Customer Charges	4300				
R-3.2	Sales of Goods or Services	4300				
R-3.3	Other Assessments	4503				
R-3.4	Total Operating Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
R-4	Grants					
R-4.1	Direct Federal Grants	4201				
R-4.2	Federal Grants thru State Agencies	4201	\$117,457	\$55,040	\$131,258	\$131,258
R-4.3	Grants from State Agencies	4211	\$0	\$0	\$0	
R-4.4	Total Grants		\$117,457	\$55,040	\$131,258	\$131,258
R-5	Miscellaneous Revenue					
R-5.1	Interest	4501	\$55,893	\$61,640	\$55,000	\$55,000
R-5.2	Other: Specify <u>Other</u>	4500	\$140,540	\$253,222	\$609,705	\$609,705
R-5.3	Other: Additional _____					
R-5.4	Total Miscellaneous		\$196,433	\$314,862	\$664,705	\$664,705
R-5.5	Total Forecasted Revenue		\$313,890	\$369,902	\$795,963	\$795,963
R-6	Other Forecasted Revenue					
R-6.1	a. Other past due as estimated by Co. Treas.	4004				
R-6.2	b. Other forecasted revenue (specify):					
R-6.3	_____	4500				
R-6.4	_____	4500				
R-6.5	_____					
R-6.6	Total Other Forecasted Revenue (a+b)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET

	DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
E-1 Capital Outlay					
E-1.1 Real Property	6201	\$0	\$0	\$0	
E-1.2 Vehicles	6210				
E-1.3 Office Equipment	6211	\$1,181	\$1,172	\$15,000	\$15,000
E-1.4 Other (Specify)					
E-1.5 Fire Equipment	6200	\$134,744	\$94,809	\$190,000	\$190,000
E-1.6 Shop Equipment	6200	\$2,593	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
E-1.7					
E-1.8 TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$138,517	\$95,981	\$220,000	\$220,000

ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

	DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
E-2 Personnel Services					
E-2.1 Administrator	7002				
E-2.2 Secretary	7003	\$0	\$0	\$0	
E-2.3 Clerical	7004				
E-2.4 Other (Specify)					
E-2.5 Admin/Warden/Deputy	7005	\$75,920	\$77,480	\$79,560	\$79,560
E-2.6	7005				
E-2.7					
E-3 Board Expenses					
E-3.1 Travel	7011	\$0	\$0	\$0	
E-3.2 Mileage	7012	\$675	\$578	\$2,000	\$2,000
E-3.3 Other (Specify)					
E-3.4	7013				
E-3.5	7013				
E-3.6					
E-4 Contractual Services					
E-4.1 Legal	7021	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
E-4.2 Accounting/Auditing	7022	\$1,925	\$2,100	\$10,000	\$10,000
E-4.3 Other (Specify)					
E-4.4 Cleaning Services	7023	\$1,800	\$1,650	\$5,000	\$5,000
E-4.5	7023				
E-4.6					
E-5 Other Administrative Expenses					
E-5.1 Office Supplies	7031	\$691	\$1,075	\$9,000	\$9,000
E-5.2 Office equipment, rent & repair	7032	\$226	\$236	\$3,000	\$3,000
E-5.3 Education	7033				
E-5.4 Registrations	7034				
E-5.5 Other (Specify)					
E-5.6 Postage/Del & Advertise	7035	\$1,014	\$1,419	\$4,500	\$4,500
E-5.7 Donation Drive Expenses	7035	\$2,454	\$1,807	\$5,000	\$5,000
E-5.8					
E-6 TOTAL ADMINISTRATION		\$84,705	\$86,345	\$128,060	\$128,060

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OPERATIONS BUDGET

E-7 Personnel Services

E-7.1 Wages--Operations

E-7.2 Service Contracts

E-7.3 Other (Specify)

E-7.4

E-7.5

E-7.6

E-8 Travel

E-8.1 Mileage

E-8.2 Other (Specify)

E-8.3 Meals/Rooms/Schools

E-8.4

E-8.5

E-9 Operating supplies (List)

E-9.1 Operating Supplies

E-9.2 Repairs & Maintenance

E-9.3 Suppression Food/Drink

E-9.4

E-9.5

E-10 Program Services (List)

E-10.1 Dispatch Expenses

E-10.2 Coop Fees

E-10.3 Fed Grants & Match

E-10.4 Suppression Eq/Services

E-10.5

E-11 Contractual Arrangements (List)

E-11.1

E-11.2

E-11.3

E-11.4

E-11.5

E-12 Other operations (Specify)

E-12.1 Utilities

E-12.2 Emergency Relief

E-12.3 Other

E-12.4

E-12.5

E-13 TOTAL OPERATIONS

DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
7202	\$98,132	\$127,927	\$516,180	\$516,180
7203				
7204				
7204				
7211	\$1,054	\$1,301	\$5,000	\$5,000
7212	\$4,002	\$4,920	\$17,500	\$17,500
7212				
7220	\$32,606	\$86,763	\$223,000	\$223,000
7220	\$94,314	\$133,956	\$392,000	\$392,000
7220	\$1,739	\$25,146	\$55,000	\$55,000
7220				
7230	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
7230	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7230	\$132,227	\$151,529	\$70,000	\$70,000
7230	\$0	\$9,475	\$225,000	\$225,000
7400				
7400				
7400				
7400				
7450	\$22,509	\$25,872	\$77,000	\$77,000
7450	\$0	\$0	\$5,239	\$5,239
7450	\$16,754	\$19,634	\$143,500	\$143,500
7450				
	\$403,337	\$586,523	\$1,732,419	\$1,732,419

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INDIRECT COSTS BUDGET

	DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
E-14 Insurance					
E-14.1 Liability	7502	\$973	\$912	\$8,000	\$8,000
E-14.2 Buildings and vehicles	7503	\$14,814	\$15,695	\$25,000	\$25,000
E-14.3 Equipment	7504				
E-14.4 Other (Specify)					
E-14.5 Fire Suppression Dues	7505	\$8,501	\$8,307	\$15,000	\$15,000
E-14.6 Fidelity Bonds	7505	\$300	\$300	\$2,000	\$2,000
E-14.7					
E-15 Indirect payroll costs:					
E-15.1 FICA (Social Security) taxes	7511	\$13,315	\$15,715	\$45,900	\$45,900
E-15.2 Workers Compensation	7512	\$15,978	\$18,580	\$46,900	\$46,900
E-15.3 Unemployment Taxes	7513	\$0	\$0	\$18,000	\$18,000
E-15.4 Retirement	7514	\$27,223	\$27,755	\$39,900	\$39,900
E-15.5 Health Insurance	7515	\$30,053	\$23,234	\$29,700	\$29,700
E-15.6 Other (Specify)					
E-15.7 Volunteer FF Pension	7516	\$7,350	\$6,169	\$9,675	\$9,675
E-15.8 Volunteer FF Mutual Aid	7516	\$53	\$120	\$300	\$300
E-15.9					
E-17 TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS		\$118,561	\$116,787	\$240,375	\$240,375

DEBT SERVICE BUDGET

	DOA Chart of Accounts	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Estimated	2025-2026 Proposed	Pending Approval
D-1 Debt Service					
D-1.1 Principal	6401				
D-1.2 Interest	6410				
D-1.3 Fees	6420				
D-2 TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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GENERAL FUNDS

		End of Year	Beginning	Beginning	
		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Pending
		Actual	Estimated	Proposed	Approval
DOA Chart					
of Accounts					
C-1	Balances at Beginning of Fiscal Year				
C-1.1	General Fund Checking	1010	\$199,456	\$199,456	\$112,426
C-1.2	Savings and Investments	1040	\$269,312	\$269,312	\$313,435
C-1.3	General Fund CD Balance	1050	\$509,908	\$509,908	\$528,082
C-1.4	All Other Funds	1020	\$61,483	\$61,483	\$89,378
C-1.5	Reserves (From Below)		\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
C-1.6	Total Estimated Cash and Investments on Hand		\$1,665,159	\$1,665,159	\$1,668,321
C-2	General Fund Reductions:				
C-2.1	a. Unpaid bills at FYE	2010			
C-2.2	b. Reserves		\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
C-2.3	Total Deductions (a+b)		\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
C-2.4	Estimated Non-Restricted Funds Available		\$1,040,159	\$1,043,321	\$1,043,321

DOA Chart
of Accounts**SINKING & DEBT SERVICE FUNDS**

1070

		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Pending
		Actual	Estimated	Proposed	Approval
C-3					
C-3.1	Beginning Balance in Reserve Account (end of previous year)		\$0	\$0	
C-3.2	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-3.3	Amount to be added to the reserve				
C-3.4	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-3.5	SUB-TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C-3.6	Identify the amount and project to be spent				
C-3.7	a.				
C-3.8	b.				
C-3.9	c.				
C-3.10	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-3.11	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY (a+b+c)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C-3.12	Balance to be retained	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

RESERVES

1090

		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Pending
		Actual	Estimated	Proposed	Approval
C-4					
C-4.1	Beginning Balance in Reserve Account (end of previous year)	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
C-4.2	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes: Reaffirmed 7/11/2018				
C-4.3	Amount to be added to the reserve				
C-4.4	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-4.5	SUB-TOTAL	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000
C-4.6	Identify the amount and project to be spent				
C-4.7	a.				
C-4.8	b.				
C-4.9	c.				
C-4.10	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-4.11	TOTAL OTHER RESERVE OUTLAY (a+b+c)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C-4.12	Balance to be retained	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000	\$625,000

BOND FUNDS

1060

		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Pending
		Actual	Estimated	Proposed	Approval
C-5					
C-5.1	Beginning Balance in Reserve Account (end of previous year)		\$0	\$0	
C-5.2	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-5.3	Amount to be added to the reserve				
C-5.4	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-5.5	SUB-TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C-5.6	Identify the amount and project to be spent				
C-5.7	Date of Reserve Approval in Minutes:				
C-5.8	Balance to be retained	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
C-5.9	TOTAL TO BE SPENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0