



Special Election – Proposition No. 1
Submitted by the City of DuPont
REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Ballot Title: Shall the City of DuPont be reauthorized to impose regular property tax levies of fifty-cents (\$.50) or less per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation for six consecutive years to continue to provide and improve Emergency Medical Services beginning in 2006?

Explanatory Statement: The City of DuPont maintains a fire department to protect its citizens against fire and to provide emergency medical services. To maintain the current level of service and to better provide emergency services, the City needs to operate and maintain emergency medical aid vehicles as well as the facilities staffed by trained firefighters/emergency medical technicians. To provide adequate revenue to pay for these costs, the City of DuPont is requesting a renewal of a regular property tax levy that expires in 2005. This renewal levy is proposed for a period of six years with collection beginning in 2006 and would provide for a general assessment of fifty cents per one thousand of assessed value within the City of DuPont, specifically for EMS services. The funds raised by the renewal levy shall be used only for the provision of emergency medical services, including personnel and training costs, costs of equipment, supplies, vehicles and facilities necessary for the provision of emergency medical services.

Statement For:

Statement Against:

Please vote "Yes" to continue the E.M.S. levy in DuPont.

The proposed E.M.S. levy continues the existing E.M.S. levy which expires this year. The purpose of the E.M.S. levy is to fund the staffing, training, and equipment necessary to provide Emergency Medical Services by the DuPont Fire Department.

Demand for E.M.S. services in DuPont has increased along with the phenomenal growth in both residential and commercial development.

Renewal of the maximum cap rate of \$0.50 per \$1000.00 of assessed property value for the next six years will continue the E.M.S. services. Failure of the levy may negatively impact the fire departments "ISO" rating which is the standard used to establish homeowners and commercial insurance premiums.

A "Yes" vote on the levy will help maintain the low cost of fire insurance while maintaining the highest emergency medical response for our citizens.

For more information, please visit www.continuedupontems.org

Committee Members Include: Steven D. Shaffer

No statement was submitted against this issue.

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