NOTICE OF 2016 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR

DEAF SMITH COUNTY

A tax rate of \$0.5300 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of DEAF SMITH COUNTY. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of DEAF SMITH COUNTY proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of covering increase cost of employee health care.

| • | PROPOSED TAX RATE | \$0.5300 per \$100 |
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| • | PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE | \$0.5100 per \$100 |
| • | EFFECTIVE TAX RATE | \$0.49662 per \$100 |
| • | ROLLBACK TAX RATE | \$0.542928 per \$100 |

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for DEAF SMITH COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2015 tax year and the 2016 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that DEAF SMITH COUNTY may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

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

property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Deaf Smith County Appraisal District - Chief Appraiser
Deaf Smith County Tax Assessor-Collector
140 E. 3rd Street, Hereford, TX 79045
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You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on proposed tax rate:

<u>First Hearing</u>: 08/22/2016 9:00 AM at 235 E. 3rd Street (Commission's Court Room), Hereford, TX 79045

Second Hearing: 09/12/2016 9:00 AM at 235 E. 3rd Street (Commission's Court Room), Hereford, TX 79045