

FALL RIVER COUNTY PRIMARY COST COMPARISON - '22 VS '24

Notes:

2022 Supt Precinct Fees - \$160.00 flat fee
 Precinct Worker Fee - \$150.00 flat fee
 Training fee - \$25.00

2024 Supt Precinct Fee - \$200.00 flat fee
 Precinct Worker fee - \$175.00 flat fee
 Training fee - \$25.00 (precinct and hand count boards)

Election Precinct = Daytime board
 Hand Count Board = Separate boards to count
 3 Precincts' Boards worked the day and then stayed to count ballots
 All 9 Precincts' Boards processed absentee ballots during the day which employed 5 man boards
 There are additional people appointed, not included on the list, resolution bd, riders, etc.

Expenses	2022	Increase in board costs	2024
Precinct Board costs	\$ 4,890.00	\$2,860.00	\$7,750.00
Hand Count Board costs	\$ -	\$445.00	\$445.00
Training costs	\$ 800.00	\$469.00	\$1,269.00
Ballot Programming costs	\$ 6,065.91	-\$3,274.59	\$2,791.32
Incidentals (paper, etc.)	\$ 450.00	\$475.00	\$925.00
Totals	\$ 12,205.91	\$974.41	\$13,180.32

My recommendation would be to utilize the tabulator for the General Election. We will then either have a Recount or a Post Election Audit. In the Primary, we had a Recount, which was basically a hand count audit on a hand counted election. The results were close, but not exact except for one candidate. Legislation was passed for a Post Election Audit. We have not tested the results of a tabulator compared to a Post Election Audit which is essentially a hand count of a 100 ballots on certain precinct / races by a random drawing in the Primary, we had 4 races, with 16 candidates to count. This includes the Republican and Democrat ballots. In the General we will have at least 13 races, with 22 candidates/yes/no items to count. One final issue is finding enough workers. We need republicans and Democrats alike to fill each Board.



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FALL RIVER COUNTY
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Dear County Official:

I am pleased to notify you that on June 26, 2024, the Department of the Interior (Department) issued payments under the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program. The PILT program compensates eligible local jurisdictions for Federal lands administered by agencies within the Department and on behalf of the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Local governments may use the PILT payments for any governmental purpose, including emergency response, public schools, and roads. Since local governments cannot tax Federal lands, annual PILT payments help to defray the costs associated with maintaining important community services.

The Payments in Lieu of Taxes Act, 31 U.S.C. 6901–6907, as amended, authorized the program. The PILT Act prescribes the formula used to compute the annual payments based on annually adjusted per-acre and population variables. Prior-year Federal payments under certain revenue-sharing programs, as reported annually by States, are deducted in formulating the payment amounts. A provision in the PILT Act provides temporary compensation for recent additions to the National Park System and National Forest Wilderness Areas.

The President signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118–42) on March 9, 2024, providing full funding for the 2024 PILT program. More than 1,900 local jurisdictions received a total of \$621.2 million in PILT payments this year.

For 2024, your county is receiving a PILT payment of \$908,004. If you provided current bank routing and account numbers to our Interior Business Center or to the System of Awards Management (SAM), an electronic funds transfer was posted to your account on or about June 26, 2024. If you did not receive a payment or require further information, please refer to www.doi.gov/pilt. The website includes information on how to register in SAM to expedite receipt of future PILT payments. If you have any questions, please contact the PILT Program Manager, Ms. Dionna Kiernan, at DOI_PILT@ios.doi.gov or 202–341–2066.

Sincerely,

Deb Haaland