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Upcoming Events in Rio Dell

Event	<b>Spooktacular Luau! @ Rio Dell Visitor Center / Eagle Prairie Arts District Gallery</b>
Date	October 11, 2014 5:00pm-8:00pm
Event	<b>Town Hall on Measure U! @ Monument Middle School, Multipurpose Room – 95 Center Street</b>
Date	October 15, 2014 6:30pm-7:30pm

**City of Rio Dell Newsletter**

City of Rio Dell, 675 Wildwood Avenue, Rio Dell, CA. 95562

City Hall: (707) 764-3532

**City Council Meetings:** The City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The City encourages residents to attend the meetings.

**City Council Members:** Mayor Jack Thompson, Gordon Johnson, Melissa Marks, Frank Wilson and Julie Woodall.

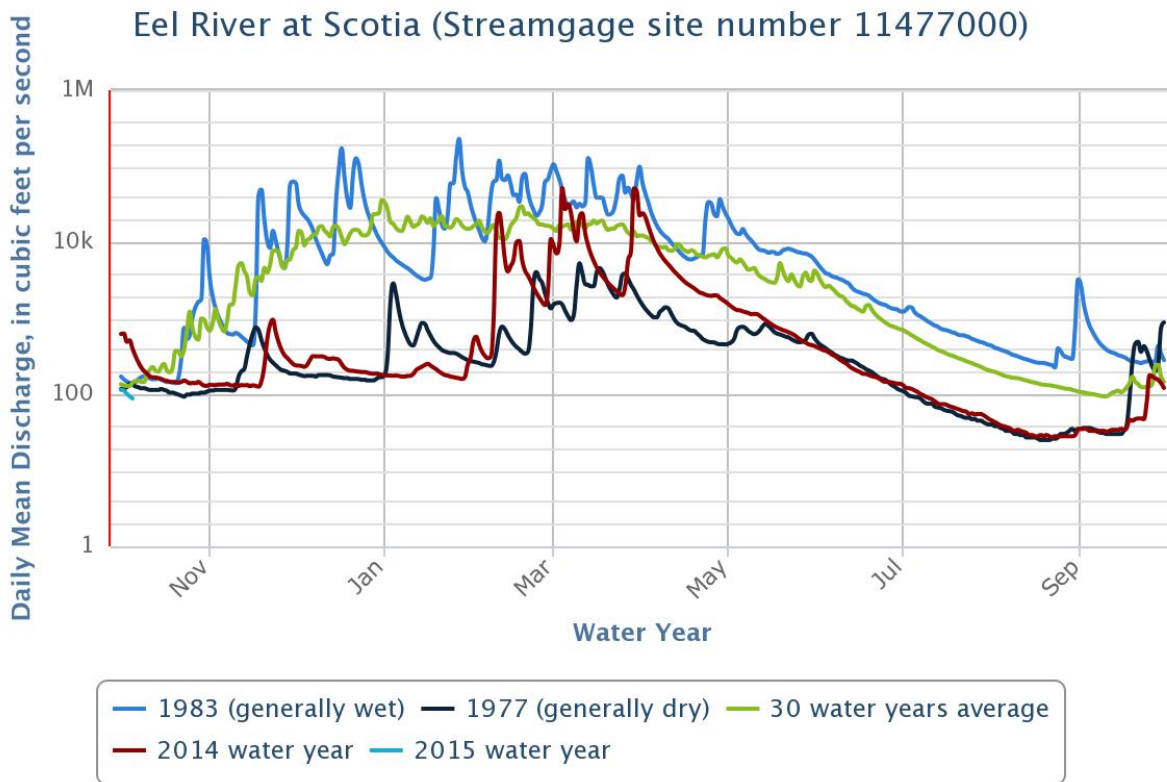
**Planning Commission Meetings:** The Planning Commission meets the fourth Thursday of each month. The Commission meets at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

**Planning Commission Members:** Nick Angeloff, Billy Joe Long, Alice Millington, Jared Wilson and Bud Leonard.

## UPDATE ON THE DROUGHT SITUATION

Consistent with calls to reduce water use statewide, the City of Rio Dell declared a Stage 2 drought emergency on the evening of August 5, 2014. The city currently remains at this stage. The Stage 2 Drought emergency mainly restricts the outdoor use of water, limiting users to outdoor irrigation twice a week using the 'Odd-Even' method wherein homes with odd address numbers are asked to restrict outdoor watering to Wednesday and Friday while even numbered homes are asked to water outdoors only on Tuesday and Thursday. There is no current 50 gallon per person per day restriction. Stage 2 drought conditions are meant to restrict the wanton and deliberate waste of water, including gutter runoff from excessive or damaged lawn irrigation systems. As always we encourage homeowners to identify and correct leaks – even a small leak can be hundreds of gallons every month.

The possibility of the State issuing another water rights curtailment remains, however the State has distanced itself from applying curtailment to Rio Dell due to the fact that we are amongst the last users of water on Eel River system. As always, we will notify you as soon as possible if the State changes its position.



The graph above shows the Daily Mean Discharge past the Eagle Prairie Bridge in Cubic Feet Per Second (CFS). The teal colored line on the very far left of the graph indicates where we are for this water year (October 1 through September 30). Already the 2015 water year has started by breaking new records in terms of how low the flow is under the bridge, even with some recent rain.

**"Thank You Rio Dell for being one of the leading cities in California to conserve water during the drought!"**

# Quick Facts on 'Measure U'

## Election Date: November 4, 2014

### What is Measure U?

- Measure U is a Rio Dell local measure to maintain essential City services such as police services and road services.
- Measure U is a 1% increase to the Sales & Use Tax, or one cent for every \$1.00 spent on taxable transactions.
- Measure U will, by law, expire in five years.
- Prescription medication and food purchased as groceries are not subject to the tax.

### Why is Measure U on the ballot?

- Over the past 2 decades, Sacramento has centralized revenue into State coffers to fix California's chronic budget issues – leaving cities like Rio Dell with less and less local dollars to address local issues.
- Measure U provides guaranteed local revenue to enhance local control over our priorities, like police and road services. Sacramento will not be able to divert these revenues.
- The current FY 2014-15 budget is balanced by drawing down \$144,072 in City reserves. Revenue from Measure U will help eliminate this deficit, preventing reductions in service.

### How will Measure U affect city services?

- The City's ongoing operational deficit will be closed, protecting City services like police and road services from further reductions.
- Additional funds collected beyond those necessary to close the deficit will be invested in city services like public safety and transportation.

### What will happen if Measure U does not pass?

- The City's deficit will need to be corrected and without additional revenues, it is likely that a reduction in services will result.
- The City will be further away from 24/7 police coverage than it is now.

### What is the city going to do to make sure you don't come back and ask for an extension of Measure U in the future?

- The City considers Measure U as a temporary revenue increase that must be followed by expansion of the tax base - new businesses, jobs, development and housing must occur in the City over the next five years to help the community transition as the tax expires.
- Measure U will help the city focus on economic development, not on another downsizing and reduction in service.

### Who will pay for Measure U?

- The tax applies to tangible goods such as furniture, giftware, toys, antiques, clothing etc.
- The tax does not apply to prescription medication or food purchased as groceries.
- Residents, visitors & tourists will all pay this tax when shopping in Rio Dell. Thus, the tax burden is more evenly spread and not just placed upon property owners.
- The sales tax applies to transactions within Rio Dell.

### What accountability comes with Measure U?

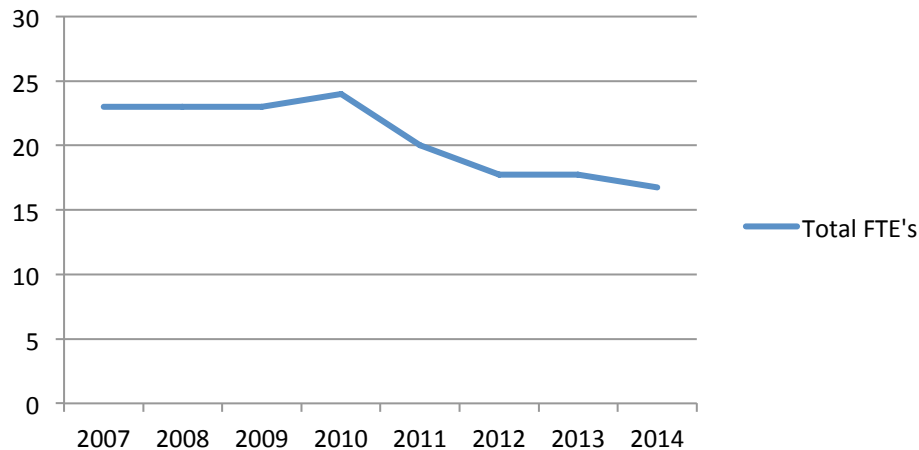
- Measure U revenue is subject to annual independent audits and community input via the city's budget process to ensure funds are spent efficiently, transparently, and responsibly.

## INFORMATION ON CITY SALES TAX MEASURE U

On Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. the Rio Dell City Council held a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers concerning the establishment, administration and dates for a temporary increase in the Transaction and Use (Sales) Tax of 1%. The proposal to place a 1% sales tax measure on the November 4 2014 ballot passed unanimously via Ordinance No. 326-2014 and Resolution 1232-2014.

The City Council took this action in light of a \$144,072 deficit with passage of the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 budget. The deficit is the result of multiple factors, including revenue decline and rising employment costs.

### **Rio Dell Total FTE's 2007 - 2014**



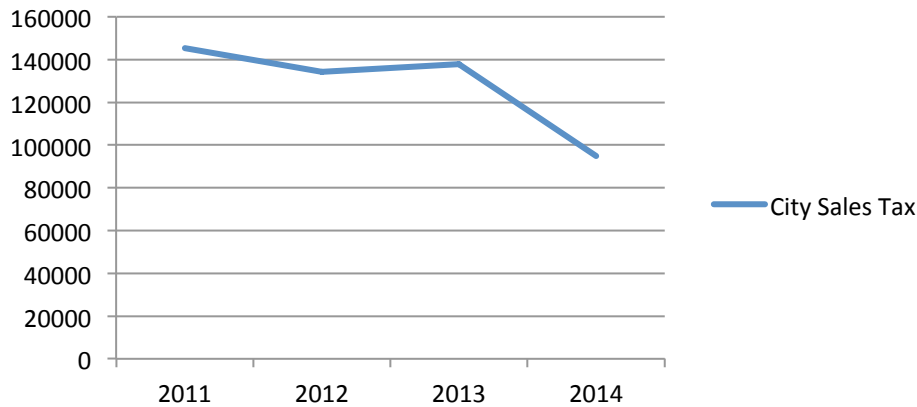
Over the course of the recession, Rio Dell has undergone major restructuring in order to contain general fund costs while trying to be competitive with neighboring agencies. One of the cost reduction measures has been to lower our number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions by 30%. The City has reduced from an all-time high of 24 employees in 2010 down to 16.75 for the current 2014-2015 fiscal year. This included reductions of 3 full time police officer positions as well as 3 full time public works employees. Today, the City Council and many members of the public believe the city has reached a baseline in terms of the minimum number of City staff available to provide current service levels. Further reductions in staffing levels will likely result in a major restructuring of city operations that will result in lower levels of service.

The current number of Police Officers in Rio Dell stands at 5 full time officers, including Chief Hill. Reduction in this level of staffing will only put the City further away from 24/7 police coverage, with its minimum staffing requirement of 6. It could also lead to the City contracting for law enforcement services from either the City of Fortuna or the Sheriff's Office. These are not desirable outcomes as they will lead to longer call response times and the compensation for services from a Deputy Sheriff or Fortuna Police Officer is higher than the related costs of a Rio Dell Police Officer.

Similarly, our Public Works crew numbers only 4 employees who are charged with General Fund duties related to roads and public spaces. These tasks includes baseline roadway maintenance, response to hazardous spills, maintenance of the Wildwood Avenue landscaping improvements, Water & sewer system maintenance, and a myriad of other duties that affect the daily lives of our citizens.

In light of the massive impacts that further reductions would have on the City as a whole, on July 1, 2014 the City Council voted unanimously to place 'Measure U' on the ballot for the consideration of the citizens of Rio Dell.

## Rio Dell City Sales Tax Revenue FY 11-12 - FY 14-15



'Measure U' would raise approximately \$173,000 additional revenue on an annual basis. The sales tax would be paid by anyone engaging in a taxable sale within City limits including visitors – not just by local property owners or residents. 100% of these funds would go to City services, including the elimination of the City's operational deficit, police services and road services. 100% of these funds would remain free from takeover by the State. Measure 'U' would sunset after 5 years. During this 5-year period, the funds would allow the City to focus on economic development within the City – expanding the tax base so that the City can run balanced budgets after the tax expires. Without the funds, the City will likely need to engage in further staff reductions and service delivery reductions, limiting the Council's ability to focus on improving Rio Dell.

A significant amount of progress has been made over the last 10 years, even with the recession. Wildwood Avenue is now better than it has ever been. New developments like the Dollar General store are encouraging other investors to take a look at the city. Rio Dell needs to remain a safe city with basic infrastructure maintenance if we are going to further attract new business and new economic opportunity to the town.

### **WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

The City will be holding a Town Hall Meeting on October 15, 2014 at 6:30pm to 7:30pm to discuss Measure U.

***You are invited to attend!***

There will be a presentation on Measure U as well as a question and answer period. Please come to Monument Middle School's Multipurpose Room at 95 Center Street here in Rio Dell.

### **CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS**

The City Council is submitting to the voters the question of whether to approve an ordinance enacting a temporary sales tax within the City of Rio Dell to fund City services and facilities, such as improving police protection, repairing streets and potholes, and improving other general City services and facilities. The tax rate would be one percent (1.0%) of the retail sales price — or one cent for an item that costs one dollar. The tax would remain in effect for five years.

A “sales tax” is a combination of “sales and use tax” and “transactions and use tax.” Both are levied on the sale or use of tangible personal property sold at retail, with certain limited exceptions. Retailers collect the tax at the time of sale and remit the funds to the State Board of Equalization which administers the tax.

Currently, the tax on retail sales in Rio Dell is seven and one-half percent (7.50%) of the purchase price. This measure would authorize a 1.0% transactions and use (sales) tax, which would increase the total sales tax rate to 8.50%. The tax would automatically terminate five years after it becomes operative, unless extended by the voters.

The tax proceeds would be deposited into the City’s general fund and be available to support the full range of municipal services. Because this measure does not legally restrict the use of tax revenue to any specific purposes, it is classified as a “general tax,” not a “special tax.” The tax proceeds may be used for any valid municipal governmental purpose and cannot legally be taken away by the State. The tax proceeds would be subject to the same independent annual audit requirements as other general fund revenue. The audit report would be a matter of public record.

A “Yes” vote is a vote in favor of the tax. A “No” vote is a vote against the tax. This measure would be approved if it receives a simple majority of “Yes” votes.

s/ Russell S. Gans  
City Attorney for the City of Rio Dell

**FULL TEXT OF SALES TAX ‘MEASURE U’**

**ORDINANCE NO. 326-2014**  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIO DELL  
IMPOSING A TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE  
ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

WHEREAS, a locally-enacted revenue measure would protect and maintain Rio Dell services because the money is legally required to stay in our community and cannot be taken by the State, providing locally controlled funds for local services; and

WHEREAS, at its July 1, 2014 meeting, the City Council considered calling an election to seek voter approval of a proposed general transactions and use (sales) tax, as authorized by Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9; and

WHEREAS, at that meeting, the City Council concluded that all of the information presented indicated that, to obtain the revenue necessary to maintain and preserve service levels, the City Council should call an election to ask the voters of the City to approve a 5 year local transactions and use (sales) tax, the revenue from which could be used to support general municipal services; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the foregoing, the City Council determined that it was appropriate to place a measure regarding a general transactions and use (sales) tax before the voters at the November 4, 2014 general election; and

WHEREAS, the tax, if approved, would be imposed on the sale of tangible personal property and the storage, use, or other consumption of such property. The tax rate would be one percent (1%) (one cent for each dollar) of the sales price of the personal property. The tax revenue would be collected by the State Board of Equalization and remitted to the City. The tax would be in effect for 5 years, and would then expire automatically, unless extended by the voters. The tax shall be approved if the measure receives at least a simple majority of affirmative votes.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIO DELL ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE. The Rio Dell Municipal Code is hereby amended to add a new Chapter 3.11, and shall read as follows:

CHAPTER 3.11  
LOCAL TRANSACTIONS AND USE (SALES) TAX

Section 3.11.01. TITLE. This ordinance shall be known as the City of Rio Dell Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance. The City of Rio Dell hereinafter shall be called "City." This ordinance shall be applicable in the incorporated territory of the City.

Section 3.11. 02. OPERATIVE DATE. "Operative Date" means the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 110 days after the adoption of this ordinance, the date of such adoption being as set forth below.

Section 3.11.03. PURPOSE. This ordinance is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

A. To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Section 7285.9 of Part 1.7 of Division 2 which authorizes the City to adopt this tax ordinance which shall be operative if a simple majority (50% plus 1) of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.

B. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

C. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefore that can be administered and collected by the State Board of Equalization in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the State Board of Equalization in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.

D. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3.11.04. CONTRACT WITH STATE. Prior to the operative date, the City shall contract with the State Board of Equalization to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this transactions and use tax ordinance; provided, that if the City shall not have contracted with the State Board of Equalization prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

Section 3.11.05. TRANSACTIONS TAX RATE. For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the incorporated territory of the City at the rate of 1% of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date of this ordinance.

Section 3.11.06. PLACE OF SALE. For the purposes of this ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the State or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the State Board of Equalization.

Section 3.11.07. USE TAX RATE. An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the City of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of 1% of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

Section 3.11.08. ADOPTION OF PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 (commencing with Section 6001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

Section 3.11.09. LIMITATIONS ON ADOPTION OF STATE LAW AND COLLECTION OF USE TAXES. In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

A. Wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of this City shall be substituted therefore. However, the substitution shall not be made when:

1. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, State Board of Control, State Board of Equalization, State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California;

2. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this City or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the State Board of Equalization, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this Ordinance.

3. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:



a. Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the State under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or;

b. Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.

4. In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

B. The word "City" shall be substituted for the word "State" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this State" in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

Section 3.11.10. PERMIT NOT REQUIRED. If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional transactor's permit shall not be required by this ordinance.

Section 3.11.11. EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS.

A. There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.

B. There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax the gross receipts from:

1. Sales of tangible personal property, other than fuel or petroleum products, to operators of aircraft to be used or consumed principally outside the county in which the sale is made and directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property under the authority of the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government.

2. Sales of property to be used outside the City which is shipped to a point outside the City, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point. For the purposes of this paragraph, delivery to a point outside the City shall be satisfied:

a. With respect to vehicles (other than commercial vehicles) subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, and undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code by registration to an out-of-City address and by a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, stating that such address is, in fact, his or her principal place of residence; and

b. With respect to commercial vehicles, by registration to a place of business out-of-City and declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, that the vehicle will be operated from that address.

3. The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

4. A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property, for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

C. There are exempted from the use tax imposed by this ordinance, the storage, use or other consumption in this City of tangible personal property:

1. The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use tax ordinance.

2. Other than fuel or petroleum products purchased by operators of aircraft and used or consumed by such operators directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property for hire or compensation under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government. This exemption is in addition to the exemptions provided in Sections 6366 and 6366.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code of the State of California.

3. If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

4. If the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, the tangible personal property arises under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

5. For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, storage, use, or other consumption, or possession of, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

6. Except as provided in subparagraph (7), a retailer engaged in business in the City shall not be required to collect use tax from the purchaser of tangible personal property, unless the retailer ships or delivers the property into the City or participates within the City in making the sale of the property, including, but not limited to, soliciting or receiving the order, either directly or indirectly, at a place of business of the retailer in the City or through any representative, agent, canvasser, solicitor, subsidiary, or person in the City under the authority of the retailer.

7. "A retailer engaged in business in the City" shall also include any retailer of any of the following: vehicles subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, or undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code. That retailer shall

be required to collect use tax from any purchaser who registers or licenses the vehicle, vessel, or aircraft at an address in the City.

D. Any person subject to use tax under this ordinance may credit against that tax any transactions tax or reimbursement for transactions tax paid to a district imposing, or retailer liable for a transactions tax pursuant to Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code with respect to the sale to the person of the property the storage, use or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax.

Section 3.11.12. AMENDMENTS. All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use taxes and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and all amendments to Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall automatically become a part of this ordinance, provided however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this ordinance.

Section 3.11.13. ENJOINING COLLECTION FORBIDDEN. No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the State or the City, or against any officer of the State or the City, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

Section 3.11.14. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3.11.15. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance relates to the levying and collecting of the City transactions and use taxes and shall take effect immediately.

Section 3.11.16. TERMINATION DATE. The authority to levy the tax imposed by this ordinance shall expire on the fifth anniversary of the last day of the calendar quarter following the “operative date”.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Rio Dell, State of California, on July 1, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:	Thompson, Johnson, Marks, Wilson and Woodall
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None



### Volunteer Driver Program

The Volunteer Center of the Redwoods has a Volunteer Driver Program that provides rides for those who are age 50 and older to and from health care appointments. Passengers must reside in the areas of Rio Dell north to Trinidad. Call the Volunteer Driver Program at least one (1) week ahead of time for a low cost ride pending volunteer availability. To volunteer or book a ride, call (707) 442-3763, ext. 306 or toll free at 1-800-408-4636.

## **Help Us Make Sure Rio Dell Remains Pedestrian Friendly**

Please make sure to check on the vegetation that may be encroaching on public right-of-ways like sidewalks or streets. It is up to each property owner to make sure that yard vegetation is kept trimmed back from impeding upon pedestrian facilities. This includes making sure folks have both enough width and height to safely pass. Take a moment to assess your property and what you can do to help ease pedestrian travel by trimming and removing overgrown vegetation.



## **Misuse of Publicly Available Recycling Containers**

Eel River Disposal and the City of Rio Dell provide a recycling container in back of City Hall free of charge for residents with recyclable materials. The container is picked up once a week and its contents are recycled through the City's contract with Eel River Disposal. Over the course of this summer we have seen a growing trend of people misusing this service. Materials that are not recyclable are being placed into the recycling container, creating a lack of space for users who have recyclable materials. Sometimes this garbage is not even placed inside the container, but instead it is strewn around the container, making the removal and emptying of the container unnecessarily time consuming and potentially dangerous. Some of the inappropriate dumping's has included material such as mattresses, batteries, furniture, used oil, diapers, clothing and styrofoam.



### **Not Acceptable to Recycle**

- ◆ Auto/Mirror or Tinted Glass
- ◆ Blueprints / Overhead Transparencies
- ◆ Carpeting
- ◆ Clothing
- ◆ Hazardous Waste or Containers
- ◆ Crystal / Glassware / Dinnerware
- ◆ Disposable Diapers
- ◆ Light Bulbs or Fluorescent Tubes
- ◆ Metal or Steel Objects: Nails, Wires, Etc.
- ◆ Paper Towels, Napkins or Facial Tissue
- ◆ Shrink-Wrap
- ◆ Pyrex or other Ovenware
- ◆ Styrofoam
- ◆ Wax Coated Cardboard
- ◆ Hypodermic Needles

Remember, it's important to: Rinse food from containers and remove lids. Break down all large items to maximize space. And, to not place items in front of the recycling container, blocking access.