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PRESS RELEASE

**Skamania County Announces Special Candidate Filing Period for Proposed
Underwood Parks and Recreation District**

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The Skamania County Auditor's Office announced a special 3-day filing period for commissioners of the proposed Underwood Parks and Recreation District No. 1 from August 23rd to August 25th. The special 3-day filing will be for five commissioner positions in the proposed district. Candidates must live within the proposed boundaries of the district, and filings will be accepted in the Auditor's office or via mail only during these dates; online filing will not be available.

The proposed Underwood Parks and Recreation District was the result of a petition drive by citizens of Underwood. After the Auditor's Office verified the sufficiency of the petition, on June 21st the Skamania County Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution calling on a proposition for the proposed district to be submitted to voters in the 2016 General Election. There will be a second proposition on the ballot proposing to impose a levy on property within the proposed district to fund operation and maintenance costs.

"These two ballot propositions are the result of a grass-roots type effort within the Underwood community to address what they see as a missing component", said Skamania County Auditor Robert Waymire. "We look forward to putting these propositions on the November ballot, which will allow voters within the district an opportunity to voice their opinions."

A complete list of offices open for filing during the 3-day period is available at the Auditor's Office located at 240 NW Vancouver Ave, Room 27, in Stevenson, or online at www.skamaniacounty.org/elections. For more information, voters and potential candidates can call the Elections Department at (509) 427-3730, email elections@co.skamania.wa.us, or visit www.skamaniacounty.org/elections.

