## NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

## A General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 in Columbus County to vote in the following contests:

| US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 07           | COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT 6        |
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| NC STATE SENATE DISTRICT 13                       | COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT 7        |
| NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 016          | COLUMBUS COUNTY CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT                  |
| NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 046          | COLUMBUS COUNTY SHERIFF                                  |
| DISTRICT ATTORNEY DISTRICT 15                     | COLUMBUS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR |
| NC SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE SEAT 1         | COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 2    |
| NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 1                  | COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 3    |
| NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 2                  | COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 4    |
| NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 3                  | WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION AT-LARGE      |
| NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 13 SEAT 1        | WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 1    |
| COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT 1 | WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 2    |

#### The following Referenda will also be on the Ballot for the Tuesday, November 6, 2018 General Election in Columbus County:

#### PROTECT RIGHT TO HUNT AND FISH

Constitutional amendment protecting the right of the people to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife.

AGAINST

### STRENGTHENING VICTIMS RIGHTS

Constitutional amendment to strengthen protection for victims of crime; to establish certain absolute basic rights for victims; and to ensure the enforcement of these rights.

FOR

AGAINST

#### **MAXIMUM INCOME TAX RATE OF 7.0%**

Constitutional amendment to reduce the income tax rate in North Carolina to a maximum allowable rate of seven percent (7%).

> FOR **AGAINST**

#### REQUIRE PHOTO ID TO VOTE

Constitutional amendment to require voters to provide photo identification before voting in person.

AGAINST

#### NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL MERIT COMMISSION

Constitutional amendment to change the process for filling judicial vacancies that occur between judicial elections from a process in which the Governor has sole appointment power to a process in which the people of the State nominate individuals to fill vacancies by way of a commission comprised of appointees made by the judicial, executive, and legislative branches charged with making recommendations to the legislature as to which nominees are deemed qualified; then the legislature will recommend at least two nominees to the Governor via legislative action not subject to gubernatorial veto; and the Governor will appoint judges from among these nominees.

> FOR AGAINST

# BIPARTISAN BOARD OF ETHICS AND ELECT

Constitutional amendment to establish an eight-member Bipartisan Board of Ethics and Elections Enforcement in the Constitution to administer ethics and elections law.

FOR

AGAINST

# TOWN OF TABOR CITY MIXED BEVERAGE ELECTION

(NOTE YOU MUST RESIDE IN TOWN LIMITS TO VOTE ON THIS REFERENDUM)

To permit the sale of mixed beverages in hotels, restaurants, private clubs, community theatres and convention centers.

FOR **AGAINST** 

# COLUMBUS COUNTY LOCAL SALES AND USE

Local sales and use tax at the rate of one-quarter percent (0.25%) in addition to all other State and local sales and use taxes.

FOR AGAINST

One-stop early voting will be held at the Columbus County Board of Elections office and at additional One-stop early voting sites. The Columbus County Board of Elections located at 2322 James B. White Hwy n., Whiteville NC and will be open weekdays from Wednesday, October 17, 2018 through Friday November 2, 2018 from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and 8:00- 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 3, 2018. Additional One Stop Early Voting site locations and schedules are as follows.

| Additional One-stop Early Voting Site  | <u>Dates of Operation</u>  | <u>Time</u>                       |
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| Woodmen of The World #130<br>8119 Andrew Jackson Hwy. SW, Cerro Gordo, NC<br>28430 | Weekdays -Wednesday, Oct 17, 2018 thru Friday Nov 2, 2018 Saturday- November 3, 2018 | 7:00 am-7:00 pm<br>8:00am-1:00 pm |
| East Columbus –Ransom Event center<br>2596 General Howe Hwy, Riegelwood, NC 27456  | Weekdays -Wednesday, Oct 17, 2018 thru Friday Nov 2, 2018 Saturday- November 3, 2018 | 7:00 am-7:00 pm<br>8:00am-1:00 pm |
| Tabor City Courthouse<br>110 W Fourth St. Tabor City, NC 27463                     | Weekdays -Wednesday, Oct 17, 2018 thru Friday Nov 2, 2018 Saturday- November 3, 2018 | 7:00 am-7:00 pm<br>8:00am-1:00 pm |

Election Day Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

| PCT  | POLLING PLACE NAME   | ADDRESS                      | CITY STATE ZIP           |
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| P01A | BOGUE-HALLSBORO FIRE DEPT                                  | 753 HALLSBORO RD S           | HALLSBORO, NC 28442      |
| P02B | BOLTON - BOLTON FIRE DEPT                                  | 225 9TH ST                   | BOLTON, NC 28423         |
| P03  | BUG HILL 1 - PIREWAY(NAKINA) FIRE SUBSTATION               | 18032 SEVEN CREEKS HWY       | TABOR CITY, NC 28463     |
| P04  | BUG HILL 2 - OLD ZION WESLEYAN CHURCH                      | 10172 SWAMP FOX HWY E        | TABOR CITY, NC 28463     |
| P05  | BUG HILL 3 - NAKINA BUG HILL SENIOR CENTER                 | 11300 SEVEN CREEKS HWY       | NAKINA, NC 28455         |
| P06  | CERRO GORDO- CERRO GORDO COMMUNITY CENTER                  | 178 CHURCH ST                | CERRO GORDO, NC<br>28430 |
| P07  | CHADBOURN-CHADBOURN MUNICIPAL ANNEX                        | 208 E 1ST AVE                | CHADBOURN, NC 28431      |
| P08  | CHERRY GROVE - CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTER                 | 9833 SWAMP FOX HWY W         | CERRO GORDO, NC<br>28430 |
| P09  | FAIR BLUFF-UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL         | 1030 MAIN ST                 | FAIR BLUFF, NC 28439     |
| P10  | EAST LEES - OLD DOCK COMMUNITY BLDG                        | 12820 NEW BRITTON HWY E      | NAKINA, NC 28455         |
| P11  | NORTH LEES - PLEASANT PLAINS CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL        | 61 PLEASANT PLAINS CHURCH RD | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P12  | SOUTH LEES - MACEDONIA FREEWILL BAPTIST CH FELLOWSHIP HALL | 216 CRUSOE ISLAND RD         | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P13  | WEST LEES – VFW POST 6066                                  | 4604 ERVIN T RICHARDSON RD   | NAKINA, NC 28455         |
| P14  | RANSOM-RANSOM EVENT CENTER *                               | 2696 GENERAL HOWE HWY        | RIEGELWOOD, NC 28456     |
| P15  | TATUM - WOW LODGE 1088                                     | 6847 HAYNES LENNON HWY       | EVERGREEN, NC 28438      |
| P16B | WACCAMAW - LAKE WACCAMAW FIRE DEPT                         | 203 FLEMMINGTON DR           | LAKE WACCAMAW, NC 28450  |
| P17  | WELCHES CREEK - WELCHES CREEK FIRE DEPT                    | 45 MILLE-CHRISTINE RD        | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P18  | WESTERN PRONG-MT CALVARY FB CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL         | 68 MT CALVARY RD             | CLARKTON, NC 28433       |
| P19  | WHITEVILLE 1-WHITEVILLE RESCUE UNIT BUILDING               | 106 FLOWERS PRIDGEN DR       | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P20A | WHITEVILLE 2 - VINELAND STATION DEPOT                      | 701 E MAIN ST                | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P21  | NORTH WHITEVILLE - NORTH WHITEVILLE FIRE DEPT              | 747 PEACOCK RD               | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P22A | SOUTH WHITEVILLE - ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL    | 5384 JAMES B WHITE HWY S     | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P23  | WEST WHITEVILLE - AMERICAN LEGION POST 137                 | 76 LEGION DR                 | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P24  | WILLIAMS 1- ROSELAND FIRE DEPT                             | 9527 CLARENDON-CHADBOURN RD  | CHADBOURN, NC 28431      |
| P25B | WILLIAMS 2 - LEBANON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH               | 9237 JAMES B WHITE HWY S     | WHITEVILLE, NC 28472     |
| P26B | SOUTH WILLIAMS-TABOR CITY COURTHOUSE                       | 110 W FOURTH ST              | TABOR CITY, NC 28463     |

The Provisional Vote Count will take place on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. and Canvass will be held in the Columbus County Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 16, 2018.

Absentee voting by mail is available. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website, at the county board of elections office and where one-stop early voting is offered), and must be received in the Columbus County Board of Elections office or any one-stop early voting site by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30, 2018. Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by two qualified persons or a notary public. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Columbus County Board of Elections by 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be considered timely if they are received within three business days and postmarked on or before Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a qualified person of their choice. If the voter lives in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility may arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multi-partisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and serve as witnesses.

All persons who are registered to vote with the Columbus County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are **not** already registered to vote in the county must register by Friday, October 12, 2018 to be eligible to vote in this election. **Voters who are not registered in Columbus County by the deadline** may register and vote <u>during one stop early voting only</u>, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who wish to change party affiliation or who have changed, name or address must do so by the registration deadline. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

Buffer Zones: At the Precincts on Election Day and at the One-stop voting site, buffer zones will be clearly marked off with yellow caution tape (50 ft. from the main entrance of voting place entrance). Only individuals arriving for purpose of voting or an individual filing a challenge may enter this area. There shall be no campaigning or Electioneering inside the buffer zone area nor should anyone impede a voter's access into this area. Precinct officials will designate an area on the premises where campaigning and electioneering will be allowed.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multi-partisan Assistance Team visit to a facility, or other election matters may call the Columbus Board of Elections Office at (910)640-6609.

Harold Tipps, Chairman Columbus County Board of Elections