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A public hospital district serving south Okanogan County, north Douglas County & the Methow Valley

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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Patient care improvements in Radiology, Surgery, Acute Care, and registration
- Updated infrastructure that supports patient care – HVAC, medical gas, generators, and electrical systems
- Updated electronic medical record (EMR) offering MyChart access to patients
- The bond would eliminate the need for the annual renewal levy for ER operations



One entrance for every service

Three Rivers currently has three public entrances: the emergency room, the clinic, and outpatient admissions/billing. A two-story addition connecting the hospital to the clinic next door would result in a single main entrance to access everything.



More space for modern imaging

Technology has outgrown the infrastructure of our radiology department, especially the CT room. The new addition would provide appropriate space to handle upgraded equipment, and improve patient privacy with the addition of changing rooms.



A more efficient surgery department

While our surgery team is skilled, they often find themselves hindered by spaces that were not built to accommodate 21st century health care equipment and technology.

Over the years, the Department of Health has updated its code requirements for operating rooms. As a result, Three Rivers' two operating rooms are about half the size they should be and don't include all the built-in infrastructure required, such as more outlets.

The modernization proposal expands the ORs, brings them up to code, and enables the team to streamline workflows so surgeries go even more smoothly.



If the bond passes, Three Rivers will create a new main entrance for all hospital and clinic services; attach a two-bay ambulance entrance to the ER; add a decontamination room; and move the helipad from the ground to the roof, opening up space for patient parking closer to the entrance.

Why modernization is needed

Three Rivers Hospital is a community-owned hospital in an aging building. Over the past several years, the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the condition of the hospital, listened to public feedback, and considered what will be needed to provide care here for years to come.

Some of the hospital's basic systems are decades old. Electrical, heating and cooling, generators, and medical gas systems were built for a different era of healthcare and, in some areas, do not provide the capacity or built-in features needed for today's equipment and patient care.

The same is true of some of our patient care spaces. Our operating rooms are much smaller than current standards call for and do not have enough built-in electrical outlets and other infrastructure. Our CT room cannot support the weight of the newest CT equipment. Patient rooms and other clinical areas need additional medical gas connections and other improvements to support modern care.

These are not problems that can be solved simply by replacing a piece of equipment or making a small repair. In many cases, the building itself limits what can be done.

The proposed modernization project addresses these issues while also improving areas where patients receive care. Plans include expanded operating rooms; expanded Radiology space; and remodeled Acute Care rooms, including private bathrooms with showers in eight patient rooms.

As the elected Board of Commissioners, our responsibility is to look beyond today's needs and consider what is required to keep our hospital functioning for the years ahead.

- Three Rivers Hospital Board of Commissioners

Understanding the Cost

- Ballot Measure Request: $48 million
- Cost for property owners: 73 cents per $1,000 of assessed value
  - Example: A $300,000 home could pay about $219 per year, or $18.25 per month
- Funded through: community investment, grants, hospital resources
- Rescinding ER renewal levy of $1.46 million per year if the bond passes

Estimated Project Timeline

January 2027-August 2028: Planning and design process	August 2028: Construction begins	Dec. 2029: Complete construction & move in

Stay Informed

- More renderings and pictures
- Information about the ballot measure
- A property tax calculator for customized estimates
- Frequently asked questions
- Videos and statements from TRH staff
- Upcoming community meetings

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