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## Understanding your Notice of Proposed Property Taxes

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### The Enclosed TRIM Notice Is for Information Only

Florida law requires the property appraiser to prepare and mail all property owners a Notice of Proposed Property Taxes, more commonly known as a **TRIM** notice (**TR**uth **I**n **M**illage notice). The TRIM is intended to inform citizens of proposed 2022 taxes by taxing authorities in Wakulla County.

The property appraiser is responsible for reporting property values and administering property tax exemptions. While property value is a component of the tax amount due, the property appraiser has no role in establishing property tax rates or garbage and fire assessments. The taxing authorities are responsible for establishing budgets and setting tax rates. The tax collector mails tax bills and collects all taxes. This separation of duties is mandated in the framework of Florida's form of government.

Wakulla County's taxing authorities consist of the Board of County Commissioners, School Board members, and the Northwest Florida Water Management District. If you own property in St. Marks, the St. Marks Commissioners have additional taxing authority. Final millage rates (property taxes) are voted on in September. I encourage you to call, email, and attend scheduled public meetings to influence final tax rate decisions by our commissioners and school board members. If you need an email or phone number, please give my office a call.

As a reminder, the property values you see on your TRIM notice and tax bill are based on your property's market value as of January 1, 2022. If you disagree with the assessed value of your property, please let me or my staff know—we are here to serve you! State law gives us 25 days from when we mailed this TRIM to correct errors you may point out in our assessments. Our goal is **Honest and Impartial Property Assessments**.

**OFFICE HOURS:** We are available to assist you in person from 8:30am through 5:00pm, Monday – Friday. If you have a question about your property assessments, personal exemptions, or classifications, please contact our office at 850-926-0500, and speak to a member of our staff or me.

Please visit our upgraded website at [www.MyWakullaPA.com](http://www.MyWakullaPA.com) or follow us on Facebook for updates and information.

We are here to serve you and consider it a privilege to do so.

Sincerely,