

Fall River Estates Special Road District PO Box 4181 Bend, Oregon 97707

## How Do I Become a Board Member on the Fall River Special Road District?

Our Special Road District Board has three members. Board Member terms last three years and are staggered so that only one board member's position opens up every year. Each term begins on January first and ends on December thirty-first, three years later.

Vacancies on the Fall River Special Road District Board are filled by nominations by the current board, which are submitted to the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners for appointment.

If you are interested in becoming a Fall River Estates Special Road District Commissioner, and you own property within the district, you are welcome to fill out an application and submit it to the current board before the November SRD Board Meeting.

The board will review any and all applications they receive each year, and if necessary, conduct interviews with applicants. A decision will be made at the December SRD meeting.

## How long can an SRD board member serve?

• There is no time limit. A board member can continue to serve as long as the existing board approves her\his nomination.

If you are interested in serving on the Fall River Estates Special Road District Board please read the document "Fall River Special Road District Board Member Duties", and fill out and submit an application (both are attached)



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## Fall River Special Road District Board Member Duties

A board member of Fall River Special Road District serves on a three-member Board of Directors (Commissioners) responsible for conducting the affairs of the district in compliance with Oregon Revised Statutes. The Board of Directors has the legislative authority and power to establish policies and procedures that are in the best interest of the residents it serves.

The board ensures that the district achieves its mission in an ethical, transparent, accountable and prudent manner. Each board member is accountable for the functions described below, all of which are accomplished at board meetings and committee assignments through review of information, strategic planning, conversation and decision making.

Together, the board makes decisions and sets policy for the district. Individually, they do not have any power, but acting with their fellow board members they have an opportunity to have a positive impact on their community. The board's major responsibility is ensuring that the Fall River Community has good roads, maintained in good repair.

Board members also do the following:

- Attend the board meeting held each month (sometimes special meetings and executive sessions can be held to address specific issues)
- Review and adopt the annual budget
- Approve financial reports
- Follow prudent and frugal financial principles in order to build and preserve funds in such a way that the district has enough money in its reserves for large paving projects that occur every 5-7 years.
- Ensure that roads are kept reasonably clear and usable, in a timely manner, during winter conditions.
- Set goals and evaluate progress towards those goals
- Ask voters, if funds are needed, to approve bond measures and local option levies (this is something the FRESRD has been able to avoid in the past due to prudent financial practices, and wishes to avoid in the future)
- Delegate authority
- Connect with the community in a calm, friendly, and respectful manner.



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## Fall River Special Road District Board Member Application

Term: January 1, 20\_\_ through December 31, 20\_\_ (please fill in the years)

| Applicant Name:   |                              | Date     |
|---|------------------------------|----------|
| Address:  |                              | Zip Code |
| Phone Number:   | Email Address:               |          |
| Are you a resident of our district?   | Are you a registered voter?: |          |
| Why do you want to serve on the Fall Rive Special Road District Board?:                       |                              |          |
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| Describe past experiences or positions you have held that would assist you as a board member: |                              |          |
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| Outline strengths, abilities and talents that you would bring to the board:                   |                              |          |
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| **Attach additional sheets if needed**  |                              |          |
| If appointed, would you be able to serve the entire term?:                                    |                              |          |
| Please submit your application to:  |                              |          |
| Fall River SRD Board  |                              |          |
| PO Box 4181 Bend, OR 97   | 7707                         |          |

Application Deadline: 7:00 PM second Monday of November each year – in time for SRD monthly meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of November.