State of Kansas
Special District

CERTIFICATE

2026

To the Clerk of Harvey County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Sand Creek Watershed District # 68
certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;
(2) after the Budget Hearing this budget was duly approved and adopted
as the maximum expenditures for the various funds for the year 2026; and
(3) the Amount(s) of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax are within statutory limitations for the 2026 Budget.

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Fund	**K.S.A.**				
General	24-1219	5	810,752	61,433	0.272
Debt Service	10-113	6			
		7			
		7			
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Totals		xxxxxxxxxxx	810,752	61,433	0.272
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Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate					

Revenue Neutral Rate	0.256
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	**YES**

Final Assessed Valuation:	County Clerk's Use Only
Harvey County	225,573,144
Marion County	2,578,486
0	
0	
0	
Total Assessed Valuation	228,151,630
	November 1, 2025 Valuation

TIF
11,795,998
223,777,146
226,355,632

Assisted by:
Rick Piepho, County Clerk
Carolyn Brock
Address:
612 SW Terrace Ave
Topeka, KS 66611

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Attest: 9-5, 2025

County Clerk

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Allocation of MV, RV, 16/20M, Commercial Vehicle, and Watercraft Tax Estimates

2025 Budgeted Funds	Tax Levy Amount in 2025 Budget	Allocation for Year 2026				
		MVT	RVT	16/20M Veh	Comm Veh	Watercraft
General	57,958	6,488	92	26	257	33
Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	57,958	6,488	92	26	257	33

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 6,488

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 92

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 26

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 257

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 33

MVT Factor 0.11194

RVT Factor 0.00159

16/20M Factor 0.00045

Comm Veh Factor 0.00443

Watercraft Factor 0.00057

2026

Sand Creek Watershed District # 68
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Schedule of Transfers

Expenditure Fund Transferred From:	Receipt Fund Transferred To:	Actual Amount for 2024	Current Amount for 2025	Proposed Amount for 2026	Transfers Authorized by Statute
None					
	Totals	0	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	0	0	0	

*Note: Adjustments are required only if the transfer is being made in 2025 and/or 2026 from a non-budgeted fund.

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STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Type of Debt	Date of Issue	Interest Rate %	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding Jan 1,2025	Date Due		Amount Due 2025		Amount Due 2026	
					Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal
General Obligation:										
Total G.O.				0			0	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds:										
Total Revenue				0			0	0	0	0
Other:										
Total Other				0			0	0	0	0
Total				**0**			**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONAL LEASE-PURCHASE AND CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION*

Items Purchased	Contract Date	Term of Contract (Months)	Interest Rate %	Total Amount Financed (Beginning Principal)	Principal Balance On Jan 1,2025	Payments Due 2025	Payments Due 2026
None							
				Total	**0**	**0**	**. 0**

*If you are merely leasing/renting with no intent to purchase, do not list--such transactions are not lease-purchases.

FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **General**	Prior Year Actual for 2024	Current Year Estimate for 2025	Proposed Budget Year for 2026
Unencumbered Cash Balance Jan 1	639,709	699,502	742,400
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	49,727	57,958	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	920		
Motor Vehicle Tax	5,319	5,533	6,488
Recreational Vehicle Tax	74	83	92
16/20M Vehicle Tax	22	24	26
Commercial Vehicle Tax	215	246	257
Watercraft Tax		34	33
Adjustments Taxes Co vs Audit	-1,202		0
Rental Excise Sales Tax	17	22	23
Marion County Distributions	925	XXXXX	XXXX
Donations			
Beg Cash Adjustment -Audit	3,275		
Interest on Idle Funds	19,363		
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous	66		
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Receipts			
Total Receipts	**78,721**	**63,900**	**6,919**
Resources Available:	**718,430**	**763,402**	**749,319**
Expenditures:			
Salaries & Wages		8,000	8,000
Employee Benfits			
Contract Labor	4,738	5,000	30,000
Meeting Expenses/Mileage	830	2,000	2,000
Office Expenses	1,341	2,000	4,400
Dues			
Insurance	3,972	2	3,000
Professional Fees	5,189	3,500	16,000
Watershed Cost Sharing		500	1,500
Equipment		0	150,000
Maintenance Expenses	2,724	0	332,000
Construction		0	147,000
Structure Maintenance Reserve		0	116,852
Memorial Expenses	134		
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% Total Expenditures			
Total Expenditures	**18,928**	**21,002**	**810,752**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	699,502	742,400	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount:	708,000	713,752	810,752
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	810,752
		Tax Required	61,433
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	61,433

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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Harvey County

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Harvey County (home county) Marion County

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*Revenue Neutral Rate***							*0.256*
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	18,928		21,002		810,752		
Total Tax Levied	51,479		57,958		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:	195,195,410		217,575,944		228,443,408		

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

***Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988*

William Hamm

Sand Creek Watershed District # 68

COMBINED NOTICE OF HEARINGS - REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE & BUDGET

2026

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Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent

THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAND CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT # 68, HEREBY NOTIFIES THE HARVEY COUNTY CLERK OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

X Yes, we intend to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and our proposed mill levy rate is 0.269. The date of our hearing is September 4, 2025 at 7:00pm and will be held at NRCS Service Center, 1405 S Spencer Rd, Newton, Kansas.

* Copy of "Notice of Hearing" from budget must be attached to the form when submitted to the County Clerk(s)

_____ No, we do not plan to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and will submit our budget to the County Clerk on or before October 1, 2025.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on June 20, 2025.

(Seal)

Clerk or Officer of Governing Body THOMAS.

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I, Joey Young, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that I am the Publisher of Harvey County Now, a publication that is a "legal newspaper" as that phrase is defined for the city of Newton, for the County of Harvey, in the state of Kansas, that this affidavit is Page 1 of 2 with the full text of the sworn-to notice set forth on the pages that follow, and that the attachment hereto contains the correct copy of what was published in said legal newspaper in consecutive issues on the following dates:

PUBLICATION DATES:
Jul. 31, 2025

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Notice Name: SCWS - 2025 RNR & Budget Hearing

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS
COUNTY OF HARVEY

Signed or attested before me on this

1st day of Aug., A.D. 2025.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10-17-2027

Lindsey Young
Notary Public,
State of Kansas
My appointment expires 10/17/2027

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William Hamm
Treasurer

SAND CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT # 68

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE SAND CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT # 68, KANSAS TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the Sand Creek Watershed District # 68 was calculated as 0.256 mills by the Harvey County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Sand Creek Watershed District # 68 will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on 9/4/2025 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Sand Creek Watershed District # 68, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SAND CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT # 68:

The Sand Creek Watershed District # 68 shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 0.256 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 4 day of Sept, 2025 (month), 2025 and SIGNED by the Governing Body.

_____, Member

_____, Member

_____, Member

_____, Member

Roll Call Vote

Governing Body Members (please print)	Yes	No	No Vote
Tom Cowan	✓		
John Clark	✓		
William R. Hamm	✓		
Larry Schmidt	✓		
Total			

Attested: _____ Treas.