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October 22, 2025

I, Ami Standridge, the duly elected and acting County Clerk of Montgomery County, Kansas, do hereby certify that the 2025 Tax Levy or Levies for Duck Creek Watershed of Montgomery County and Elk & Wilson Counties, control of which lies with Montgomery County, to be as follows:

General Operating	1.019	
Final Valuation: General	$	6,059,105.00

The above levy or levies is based on each $1000 of valuation.

Dated at Independence, Kansas this 22nd day of October 2025.

Ami Standridge

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Montgomery County Clerk

Montgomery County, Kansas SEAL COUNTY CLERK

County Clerk: Value Information

Duck Creek Watershed 2025

Valuation Information: November 2025

Final Assessed Valuations:

Duck Creek Watershed	Assessed Valuation
Real Estate	2,377,073
State Assessed	173,484
Severed Minerals	0
Personal Property (Excludes Watercraft)	317,654
Oil	15,461
Gas	310,221
Total Value	3,193,893
New Improvements	0

Date Provided: 10/6/25

Provided by: Ami Standridge
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

State of Kansas
Special District
2026

CERTIFICATE

To the Clerk of Montgomery County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Duck Creek Watershed Joint District #59
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	17-1330	5	104,490	6,177	1.019
Debt Service	10-113				
Totals		xxxxxxx	104,490	6,177	1.019
Budget Hearing Notice		6			
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice					
RNR Hearing Notice					
Neighborhood Revitalization					

Final County Assessed Valuation	County Clerk's Use Only
Montgomery County	3,193,893
Wilson County	2,773,1001
Elk County	92,1011
0	
0	
Nov 1, 2025 Total Assessed Valuation	6,059,105

Revenue Neutral Rate	1.020
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	NO

Assisted by:
Joseph M Bambick

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Fredonia KS 66736

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Montgomery County, Kansas SEAL COUNTY CLERK

Date Attested: October 1st, 2025

County Clerk

Governing Body

Duck Creek Watershed Joint District #59
Montgomery County

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	6,181	463	8	650	27	13
Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6,181	463	8	650	27	13

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 463

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 8

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 650

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 27

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 13

MVT Factor 0.07491

RVT Factor 0.00129

16/20M Factor 0.10516

Comm Veh Factor 0.00437

Watercraft Factor 0.00210

2026

Duck Creek Watershed Joint District #59
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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
	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:										
				0			0	0	0	0
Total G.O.										
Revenue Bonds:										
							0	0	0	0
				0						
Total Revenue										
Other:										
							0	0	0	0
				0						
Total Other				**0**			**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Total										

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
				Total	**0**	**0**	**0**

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

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FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget	Prior Year Actual for 2024	Current Year Estimate for 2025	Proposed Budget Year for 2026
General			
Unencumbered Cash Balance Jan 1	116,695	116,543	96,152
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	5,860	6,181	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	284	0	0
Motor Vehicle Tax	502	490	463
Recreational Vehicle Tax	8	4	8
16/20M Vehicle Tax	129	122	650
Commercial Vehicle Tax	27	28	27
Watercraft Tax	3	4	13
	0	0	0
In Lieu of Taxes (IRB)	1,850	1,000	1,000
Interest on Idle Funds	0	0	0
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate	0	0	0
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Receipts	**8,663**	**7,829**	**2,161**
Total Receipts	**125,358**	**124,372**	**98,313**
Resources Available:			
Expenditures:			
	100	100	100
Treasurer's Bond	327	350	365
Budget Preparation and Publication	7,652	15,000	38,500
Site Maintenance	0	3,250	13,000
Commodities	727	1,000	1,500
Insurance	9	20	25
Bank Charges	0	750	1,000
Dues	0	7,750	50,000
Capital Outlay			
	0	0	0
Cash Forward (2026 column)	0	0	0
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% Total Expenditures	**8,815**	**28,220**	**104,490**
Total Expenditures	116,543	96,152	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	100,140	102,165	104,490
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount:		Non-Appropriated Balance	0
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	104,490
		Tax Required	6,177
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	6,177

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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Duck Creek Watershed Joint District #59
Montgomery County
will meet on August 25, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at Vince Weber's residence, 5357 200 Rd, Fredonia KS for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied.
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						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*1.020*
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	8,815		28,220		104,490		
Total Tax Levied	6,181		6,181		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:	6,037,125		5,950,291		6,054,286		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1,

	2023	2024	2025
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988*

Officer

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Gary Voth
Officer

July 31, 2

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF KANSAS
Montgomery County, ss:
Tracy Cessna, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That she is the **General Manager** of the

Independence Daily Reporter

a daily newspaper printed in the state of Kansas, and published in and of general circulation in Montgomery County, Kansas, with a general paid circulation on a daily basis in Montgomery County, Kansas, and that said newspaper is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication.
Said newspaper is published daily at least weekly 50 times a year, has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county and state for a period of more than five years prior to the first publication of said notice; and has been admitted at the post office of Independence in said County as second class matter.
That the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said Newspaper **1 time(s) on July 31, 2025**

Tracy Cessna

Subscribed to and sworn before me on this **1st** day of **August, 2025.**
Printer's fee: **$189.60**

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Notary Public
My commission expires: **September 14, 2027**

ELIZABETH L. BALLEW
Notary Public - State of Kansas
My Appt. Expires

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exciting encounter," Sarah Perry, a conservationist with the organization, said in the release. "Before this project started, angelsharks hadn't been captured on film in Cardigan Bay since 2021."

"It was one of those amazing moments, we knew right away what we had recorded," Perry told McClatchy News via email. "We knew we had seen something special. Angelsharks are so distinctive even though they're rare, they're unmistakable."

"To capture (an angelshark) on film in