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## Sales tax rates to increase in Ellensburg, Mattawa and Othello

**OLYMPIA** – Sept. XX, 2016 – Consumers in the cities of **Ellensburg, Mattawa and Othello** will pay a higher sales tax rate on purchases starting Saturday, Oct. 1 to help support transportation services in all three cities.

Shoppers in the city of **Ellensburg** will pay two-tenths of one percent more in sales and use tax to a total tax rate of 8.2 percent. The increased sales tax will be used to support a new transportation benefit district. This is the first time Ellensburg has raised its local sales tax rate since April 2008.

Consumers in **Mattawa** will now pay an 8.1 percent sales tax rate, an increase of two-tenths of one percent. The increased tax receipts will help pay for a new transportation benefit district. The last time Mattawa raised its local sales tax rate was in April 2006.

The sales and use tax rate in the city of **Othello** will increase two-tenths of one percent to a total tax rate of 7.9 percent. That increased tax will help support a new transportation benefit district. Othello last raised its local sales tax rate in April 2009.

Revenue provides a mobile app for iOS and Android users to find the right sales tax in any location around the state. Download the version from Revenue's website: http://dor.wa.gov/TaxRateMobile.

To receive advanced notice of local sales tax changes, visit http://dor.wa.gov/listserv and select "sales tax rate changes."

To read more about the rate changes, visit Revenue's local tax rate page.

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