

Eagle's DRAFT Approach – August 21, 2020

\*\*\*\*\*Has not been formally approved or adopted by Eagle BOCC yet \*\*\*\*\*

This is in very draft form, and will change to the TABOR format (all caps, e.g.) But we are using bullet points to list some services that could be curtailed due to revenue shortfalls. This was the approach that was successful for Colorado Mountain College (on their second attempt).

## **EAGLE COUNTY**

Without raising the mill levy for the 2021 tax collection year, shall the elected Board of County Commissioners for Eagle County have the authority to adjust the County's mill levy rate thereafter as needed for the sole purpose of maintaining revenues that may otherwise be lost as a result of State imposed reductions in the ratio of assessed property tax valuations so that the actual tax revenues generated by the County's mill levies are the same as the revenues that would have been generated had the State not imposed such reductions, in order to allow the County to sustain existing levels of services such as:

- Emergency and law enforcement response to wildland fires and other natural disasters;
- Public health response to emergencies and behavioral health issues in our community;
- Necessary road repair and maintenance;
- Open spaces and natural resource preservation;
- Emergency Assistance to our local workers and residents;;

so long as annual public reports are provided on County expenditures, and shall the revenues generated by any such mill levy increase be collected, retained and spent notwithstanding any limits provided by law?

We are working with 3 local towns (Vail, Avon and Eagle) and the Fire District to craft similar questions - or questions with at least the same title - so we can have a coordinated marketing campaign. We'll make the call on whether or not to proceed on September 1.