

FY2022 Fire Districts Requesting a Tax Rate Above Revenue Neutral

District	FY21 Tax Rate	FY22 Revenue Neutral	FY22 Request	FY22 Recommended Rate	Value of 1 cent	FY22 Requested Increase Over Revenue Neutral	FY20 Operations Ratio*	Budgetary Drivers
Barnardsville	20.00	17.61	20.00	20.00	\$ 46,085	\$ 108,190	1.15	New Station - currently looking for a property in NE area of district. Equipment purchases. Station maintenance (pavement repairs).
Broad River	16.00	15.06	16.00	16.00	\$ 20,699	\$ 19,155	1.27	New tanker and 1-2 engines in the next 2-4 years. 4% COLA in FY22, adding additional part-time staffing.
Enka-Candler	10.50	9.80	10.50	10.50	\$ 319,546	\$ 222,020	1.14	Getting to \$15 over 3 years - 3% COLA in FY22 - anticipating State retirement costs. Replacing Station 1 in the future to be more centrally located - currently looking for land. Building maintenance. Equipment replacement (Radios, hose roller, etc.)
Fairview	14.50	13.64	14.50	14.50	\$ 209,648	\$ 178,404	1.15	Looking for land for new station. Need large storage building for equipment. Apparatus/equipment replacement. Increases in salaries and benefits. Parking lot repairs. Roof repairs at main station.
French Broad	17.00	15.21	17.20	17.20	\$ 36,584	\$ 72,133	1.04	2% COLA and pay for certifications. Refurb one engine and replace one engine
Leicester	14.00	13.09	14.03	14.03	\$ 106,453	\$ 98,571	1.10	Building new station - mortgage comes online in FY22. Need new pumper and new ambulance. 3% increase in salaries
Reems Creek	15.00	13.08	15.07	15.07	\$ 106,481	\$ 211,033	1.23	Working towards \$15. Adding Battalion Chief on each shift. Looking for land for new station. Equipment replacement.
Riceville	14.50	12.78	14.60	14.60	\$ 91,521	\$ 165,545	1.23	Increase will go to salaries and benefits. Equipment replacement (Air-pack bottles, rescue rope, hoses, etc.). Ambulance replacement and a new Chief 11 vehicle.
Swannanoa	14.00	12.25	14.00	14.00	\$ 122,965	\$ 213,146	1.05	Salary increases. Repairs to two stations (leaking roofs, asphalt replacement). Equipment replacement (turnout gear, communication equipment). Need several truck replacements
Upper Hominy	16.50	15.24	16.56	16.56	\$ 54,859	\$ 71,455	0.86	New positions, 3% COLA
West Buncombe	14.00	12.67	13.50	13.50	\$ 174,048	\$ 142,834	1.16	Looking for land for new station, Purchasing mini-pumper, Equipment replacement, 6 new positions to man a ladder and rescue truck.
Woodfin	10.00	9.03	10.59	10.59	\$ 96,839	\$ 150,367	0.87	Station needs repairs (kitchen, new HVAC, repave parking lot) and upgrades (bathrooms, new insulation, air compressor). Equipment replacement. Replace medical response SUV. Increase salaries and benefits.

*Operations Ratio (total revenues/total expenses)

Used to analyze the financial dimension of service obligations, which determines whether or not annual revenues were sufficient to pay for annual operations.

1.0 or higher is good. This means revenues are at or exceeding expenses. Good to compare as a trend instead of against other departments