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To: Pierce County Cities and Towns
Junior Taxing Districts
Other Districts

From: Gary Robinson, Director of Finance

Subject: Property Tax Due Date Extension

Due to possible financial impacts on taxpayers caused by COVID-19, Pierce County's Assessor-Treasurer and Finance Department, with support from Executive Dammeier have extended the first half 2020 property tax deadline to June 1, 2020. This extension gives individual taxpayers temporary relief while making sure the County and its junior taxing districts can still meet our financial obligations.

To mitigate the impact on your district's cash flow needs, the property tax extension applies only to individual property taxpayers. Banks and mortgage servicers that pay property taxes on behalf of lenders are still required to meet the original April 30, 2020 deadline.

This action was taken pursuant to RCW 84.56.022(10) that provides during a state of emergency declared by the Governor under RCW 43.06.010(12), the County may grant an extension of the due date of any such taxes as the Treasurer deems proper. This action is consistent with similar actions taken by King and Snohomish Counties.

If you have any questions, please contact Wolfgang Opitz, Deputy Director at 253-798-7580 or Katie Betrozoff, Revenue and Investment Manager at 253-798-7459.