

**Press Release
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**Waldo County Commissioners
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WALDO COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROVES 2015 COUNTY BUDGET:

On Friday, December 12, 2014 the Waldo County Budget Committee met with the Waldo County Commissioners and approved a budget for \$4,994,798.00 for the 2015 Waldo County Budget and \$2,832,353.00 for the County Jail Budget.

The County budget submitted by the Commissioners was increased by the Budget Committee by \$20,975.00. The increase was in regards to the "Rip and Run" phone system which will greatly enhance the management and deployment of firefighters being activated for duty. This approved budget is \$253,000.00 under the LD 1 Tax Cap, or \$167,000.00 under the 2014 budget. The Jail portion of the budget, which is \$2,832,353.00, is a set price that remains the same every year.

The County Commissioners, using strong conservative fiscal management along with the use of reserve accounts have been able to produce in 2014 and 2015, budgets that both have been under the LD 1 Tax Cap.

For the last four years, the Budget Committee and Waldo County Commissioners have enjoyed a smooth working relationship that has allowed the budget process to be handled in an efficient and timely manner.