

Big Sky Resort Area District
(406) 995-3234
PO Box 160661
Big Sky, MT 59716
www.ResortTax.org
info@resorttax.org



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT:

Danny Bierschwale, Big Sky Resort Area District, daniel@resorttax.org

Big Sky Business Registration Deadline Approaches

Big Sky, Montana, December 8th, 2021 – The deadline is approaching for all businesses operating in Big Sky to register. The legally required action is outlined in Section 9 of Big Sky Resort Area District (District) [Ordinance No. 98-01-ORD, as amended, and adopted on October 12th, 2021](#). The annual registration is required of all businesses operating within the District, regardless of where offices are headquartered or if the business collects Resort Tax. Registrations support the District’s mission to fairly collect tax for strategic investments to ensure the well-being of the Big Sky Community.

“Business compliance is critical for the success of our community. We work diligently to ensure fairness when holding businesses accountable as the stewards of collecting these public funds. The District is proactive with enforcement to ensure our business community operates within the constraints of this local law. In scenarios where a business is out of compliance, we utilize every opportunity to work with the owners to get them on the right path. In egregious circumstances, we take legal action – although this is the last resort,” **said Kristin Drain, Finance and Compliance Manager.**

In 2021 over 700 businesses completed the business registration process. The primary purpose of the annual registration is to ensure business acknowledgment of the taxability Ordinance (98-01). An anecdotal community benefit is the aggregate data collected. This information helps the community to understand economic conditions within Big Sky to support decision-making for large scale issues like the housing crisis. To complete registration, visit www.resorttax.org and click on the Payments & Registration link in the top right corner of the website.

“It’s a common myth around town that businesses ‘pay’ Resort Tax. Our business community does a superb job helping to facilitate collections, generally with a true spirit of collaboration and stewardship of the funds. On behalf of the District, we want to say Happy Holidays and THANK YOU to all of the collectors,” **said Daniel Bierschwale, Executive Director.**

Business registrations must be completed by December 31st, 2021 and are annually required. For more information on registration and collections visit www.resorttax.org/collections.

###