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Voters must redistribute mileage allotments in a fair and equitable manner.

Our property taxes fund 13 public agencies that support vital infrastructure and quality of life amenities. We, as taxpayers, must prioritize and redistribute our dollars properly in order to maintain affordability.

Before we approve the next tax renewal, we need to ask: is the cost worth the benefit, can the agency maintain good service for less, or can our tax dollars provide greater cost benefit elsewhere, i.e. storm surge flood protection that currently has no mileage funding?

2024 Mileages Tax District 37 (Eden Isles)		
Public Agency	Mileage	%
School Board	58.34*	44.78
Fire Dist	32.41**	24.88
Law Enforcement	10.31	7.91
Slidell Hospital	6.75	5.18
Library	5.35	4.11
Mosquito Dist	3.1	2.38
Alimony (Parish Maint.)	2.89	2.22
Juv. Center	2.49	1.91
Assessment District	2.31	1.77
Coroner	1.94	1.49
Council on Aging	1.69	1.3
Drainage	1.69	1.3
Animal Shelter	1	0.87
Total	130.27	

*The combination of all 7 school board mileages

** In addition to a \$39 Parcel Fee

Just two agencies (School Board & Fire Dist.) receive 69.66% of our property taxes leaving only 30.34% to fund all other public agencies.

It is absurd to spend 70% of our taxes on just two agencies! Are these two agencies good stewards of our money? Do they really need all that money to provide good services? I believe the time has come to vote against “THEIR” tax renewals and force them to reduce their spending to a level that is reasonable and affordable.