

Eagle Valley RTA sales tax to begin on Jan. 1

EAGLE—Beginning January 1, 2023, businesses in several towns and parts of unincorporated Eagle County will need to start collecting a 0.50 percent sales tax for the newly created Eagle Valley Regional Transportation Authority.

The sales tax needs to be collected by businesses in areas where the RTA was approved by voters. These include:

- Unincorporated Eagle County, except the Roaring Fork Valley portion of the county
- Town of Avon
- Town of Eagle
- Town of Minturn
- Town of Red Cliff
- Town of Vail
- Beaver Creek Metropolitan District

Businesses in the Town of Gypsum will not be required to collect the new RTA sales tax

The RTA sales tax will be administered by the Colorado Department of Revenue in the same manner as the state sales tax already collected by local businesses. The RTA will follow all of the State of Colorado's exemptions, including on food for domestic consumption and gas and electric for residential use. A list of exemptions can be found at <https://tax.colorado.gov/DR1002>, which is updated at the end of December and the end of June each year. Additional information about state-collected sales tax can be found at <https://tax.colorado.gov/>.

The RTA's board met on December 16 for its first meeting. The RTA board will meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 12:30 to 2 o'clock at Avon Town Hall. The meetings are open to the public. The next meetings will be Wednesday, January 11, and February 8, 2023.

For more information about the RTA, please visit EagleValleyRTA.org. The site will include information, agenda and announcements for board meetings, updates on the RTA's service goals, and other information as the RTA begins to take shape.