

CANNON BEACH GAZETTE

Some frontline workers, others to be eligible for vaccine March 29

Zack Demars
For The Gazette

Oregon turned a corner in its efforts to vaccinate residents against the coronavirus Friday, setting a schedule for the eligibility for every adult in the state to receive a shot.

The announcement sets an ambitious timeline for vastly expanding the number of Oregonians who can get in line for a COVID-19 vaccine, with select populations becoming eligible by the end of March and the general public to become eligible by late July.

"Yes, you're hearing me correctly," said Oregon Governor Kate Brown at a news conference Friday. "Come summer, provided supplies from the federal government continue as planned, any Oregonian who wants the vaccine will be eligible to receive it."

Under the plan, on March 29 the state will open eligibility to the next slate of individuals in group 1B. Officials said that includes:

- Adults 45-64, with 1+ CDC-defined underlying health conditions with increased risk. (Conditions include cancer, chronic kidney disease, COPD, Down's syndrome, heart conditions, immunocompromised state, obesity defined by a BMI of 30 or above, pregnancy, sickle-cell disease and Type II diabetes.)
- A portion of frontline workers who are highly vulnerable, including migrant and seasonal farm workers; seafood, agricultural and food processing workers; and woodland firefighters.
- Families displaced by Sept. 2020 forest fires.
- People living in low-income and congregate senior housing.
- Individuals experiencing homelessness.

No later than May 1, the state will open eligibility to

- Adults 16-45 with 1+ CDC defined underlying health conditions with increased risk.
 - Other CDC-defined frontline workers, which the CDC defines as "necessary for the functioning of society," and who are at higher risk for contracting the virus because they can't work from home or often come in contact with others at work. Some examples include grocery store workers, members of the media, public transit operators and the U.S. Postal Service.
 - People who live in multi-generational households.
- No later than June 1, the state will open eligibility to the general population 45 or older, and no later than July 1, the state will open eligibility to anyone 16 and older.

A lengthy list of the characteristics and factors which define the state's eligibility groups is available on the state's vaccination website at covidvaccine.oregon.gov/

"For the first time since the pandemic started, we can provide a timeline that will tell every adult Oregonian a date before which he or she will be eligible to get vaccinated," said Oregon Health Authority Director Patrick Allen Friday. "This will bring into clearer view a time when we will be freed from the grip of the pandemic, and we can see our loved ones, celebrate holidays and return to some of our normal life again."

Friday's announcement came on the heels of a chaotic week for scheduling vaccine appointments, particularly in the state's high-population areas, which has pushed state officials to change how appointments are scheduled at major metro sites.



But according to Allen, the state is already ahead of its own timeline, giving health officials confidence in the ambitious next phases.

"We're speeding up our timelines, not backing off," Allen said.

So far, just over 7% of Oregonians have been fully vaccinated against the virus, with about twice that having

received at least a first dose. That includes about 46% of those over 80, Allen said, and about a quarter of those over 65 (the age group which will become fully eligible for doses starting March 1). Allen projects about three quarters of the state's seniors will be vaccinated by March 29, weeks ahead of the state's previous timeline.

CHAMBER AWARDS



Photos courtesy of Buddie Anderson



CANNON BEACH CHAMBER ANNOUNCES MEMBER AWARDS CEREMONY WINNERS

The Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce announced the list of award winners from the Virtual Member Awards Ceremony last Thursday, Feb. 18.

Cannon Beach Chamber Member Awards Ceremony winners for 2020:

Tom Drumheller Excellence in Leadership:
Rick Hudson (Emergency Manager City of Cannon Beach)

Volunteer Organization of the Year:
Cannon Beach Food Pantry

Volunteer of the Year:
Molly Edison (Food Pantry & Library Volunteer)

Outstanding Collaboration:
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Every year the chamber celebrates and recognizes the hard work and outstanding accomplishments of its members. This is the most important meeting of the year and it looked a little different this year because members couldn't meet in person for health and safety.

Being diversified in business key to success for mother and son owners

Kathleen Stinson
For The Gazette

While some other businesses have struggled during the COVID-19 pandemic, Christine Caseber and her son co-owner Avery Hanes have made a success of a local vendor-driven business that opened in July.

Now they have three businesses: The Salmon River Smokehouse, which opened in July at 261 S Columbia Street in Seaside; the Artisan Market Place on Sandpiper Square at 172 North Hemlock St. #7 in Cannon Beach, which opened in December in Cannon Beach; and the Haystack Rock Cafe in the Village Centre at 231 N Hemlock St #217 in Cannon Beach, which will open in mid-March.

The Salmon River Smokehouse is "the main business location and a smokehouse and Artisan / Farmer's Market Place," Caseber said. "The Artisan Market Place is the retail

store for the Market vendor products" and the café will be a deli-style restaurant with a few tables.

She said the idea to start the business came about when they decided to find a larger place to smoke their salmon and found a location at a former subway store in Seaside. They thought about all the floor space they had that wasn't being used. As one of the farmers markets vendors themselves, they realized there was now a lack of space for them and their fellow vendors to sell products. The pandemic shut down markets for a while and created other sales-related restrictions.

She said they thought selling other vendor products along with their smoked salmon products would "make a nice concept," so they invited their vendor partners to share their market space.

Caseber and Avery sell smoked salmon, smoked salmon spread and a variety of smoked cheeses.



Inside look at NW Artisan Market Place in Sandpiper Square. Courtesy photo

Medical Reserve Corps awarded grant for pet owners during emergencies

Funds could provide pet shelter and supplies

Kathleen Stinson
For The Gazette

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) in Cannon Beach has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to help local and visiting pet owners care for their animals in the event of an emergency.

The city's emergency manager Rick Hudson stated in his staff report: "In a community assessment conducted in 2018, seven out of the ten neighborhoods reported having a family member with a mental or physical impairment that would make it difficult to evacuate. It is estimated that 742 dogs and 1,003 cats reside in the city.

"These animals will naturally be with or abandoned from their owners. This NACCHO grant is intended to provide specific equipment and a facility location to support a large number of domestic animals."

Bob Kroll, the coordinator of the Disaster Animal Response Team operating in the Northwest, is a retired veterinarian who lives in Cannon Beach.

The grant money will be used to "build on MRC's preparedness by adding pet shelter and supplies" in the event of an emergency, Kroll told The Gazette Monday.

He said it is known that some people refuse to evacuate unless arrangements have been made for their pets.

"It is also known pets provide incredible emotional support for people in times of stress," he said.

People talk about the possibility of a "Cascadia event, but there are lesser disasters, which are more likely to happen, like windstorms, wildfires, and tornadoes like the one that hit Manzanita..." for which people could need help caring for their pets, he said.

The group plans to use the money to purchase an Army surplus MASH-type tent to use as a shelter space and enough supplies for about 100 animals – a small percentage of the local population – the number estimated to need DART's care.

They also plan to use some of the grant money to purchase a large shipping container for the supplies to be stored on higher ground, he said.

Although the DART volunteers will be helping their own families evacuate at the initial onset of a disaster, they will return in subsequent days to look for animals that became lost or were left behind, he said.

He emphasized the importance of getting pets microchipped or provided with some other form of identification. Pet owners should keep a photo of their animals to help volunteers find their pets.

Everyone should keep a "go bag" that includes enough food and water for themselves and a pet to survive for three days, he said. Pet prescriptions should be in the bag as well.

DART trains people about how to care for their pets in the event of an emergency, he said.

To become a DART volunteer, contact CB-DART@ci.cannon-beach.or.us.

The city council will vote on Tuesday whether to include the grant money in its budget, earmarked for this specific purpose.

Crepe Neptune celebrates 10 years of delicious crepes March 12

Hilary Dorsey
For The Gazette

Celebrate 10 years of Crepe Neptune by stopping by the French eatery and grabbing a delicious crepe on March 12. Owners Yuri and Maya Vidal opened in Cannon Beach 10 years ago after serving crepes at various farmers markets on the coast and Portland areas.

The crepes are made right in front of the customer in a grab and go fashion, similar to the crepe stands in Paris. The crepes are made by

pouring a thin liquid batter onto a griddle. The batter is spread evenly over the griddle and distributed with an offset spatula. Crepe Neptune makes crepes very similar to how they are made in France, using the same type of griddle and tools.

Crepes offered at the shop include savory and sweet in 18 different varieties.

"We offer eight different savory crepes," Yuri said. "Our most popular one is our smoked salmon one, which is wild smoked salmon, cream cheese, green onions, mustard

dill sauce and spinach."

For sweet options, favorites include several with Nutella and strawberries, a lemon curd options with strawberries and whipped cream, and Tilly – cheese-cake, strawberries, Nutella and whipped cream. Yuri said the Tilly is very popular. Each of the crepes has their own following.

Crepe Neptune also offers buckwheat, gluten free and dairy free options, while still using eggs in the batter of course.

In the last two years,



Crepe Neptune has added bubble tea to their menu. They also offer a milk tea and ice-blended tea.

"I've been working in the restaurant business for many years," Yuri said of the restaurant's beginning. "My wife worked retail."

Yuri and Maya started making crepes for the Manzanita, Tillamook and Astoria farmer markets and expanded to Portland and Beaverton markets. Yuri said they were doing six markets a week at a time before they opened Crepe Neptune in Cannon Beach.

"Crepes are healthy and affordable and delicious," Yuri said.

During pre-COVID-19 years, the restaurant had a lot of international visitors, especially from Europe. Yuri said every region in the world has its own version of the crepe and people are excited to try theirs.

"When you've been serving people for 10 years, there's so many people out



Photos courtesy of Yuri Vidal

there that we wish we could thank," Yuri said.

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Where to get vaccinated in Clatsop County announced

Kathleen Stinson
For The Gazette

It has been challenging getting the COVID-19 vaccine distributed in Clatsop County.

Cannon Beach's emergency manager Rick Hudson said one of the challenges is the system is technology-driven and some people don't have the internet. Also, some older people are afraid to leave their homes or even talk to their neighbors about how to get vaccinated.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has gone so far as to hold venues on some street corners with their tents to talk to people about how they can schedule their vaccinations, Hudson said.

"A significant number of people are getting left behind," he said about the technology-driven process. Last night the CERT team was at a business and heard about an elderly gentleman who wanted to get vaccinated, who they were able to help.

At first Clatsop County only received 100 doses a

week, he said. The county has 40,000 people. "Last week we were up to 1,000 a week."

The following information is from the Cannon Beach 3/2/21 SIT report: The locations that the vaccines are taking place are:

- The OLD Seaside High School – 1901 N Holiday Dr, Seaside. (Second doses Monday 2-4) (Initial doses Tuesday 2-4)
- Clatsop County Fairgrounds Astoria – 93003 Wal-luski Loop, Astoria (Second doses Wednesday 2-4) (Initial doses Thursday 2-4)

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At the library

Virtual election planned for May

Joseph Bernt
Library Volunteer

The success of the library and its services for patrons, whether North Coast residents or vacationing visitors, depends on support from members of the Cannon Beach Library.

In normal years, members gather for brunch at regular monthly meetings and, in May, elect officers and members to the Library Board of Directors.

This year, which clearly qualified as abnormal, does not allow for large in-person meetings. So, the Library Board has decided to conduct the annual election by mail among those library members who have paid their annual dues.

Membership renewal forms, along with return envelopes, were sent to library members on March 1 and should be returned as soon as possible. Those who did not receive a renewal form, or have a friend interested in becoming a member, should email Jen Dixon in the library office at info@cannonbeachlibrary.org or call her at 503-436-1391 to check on membership status or request a renewal form. For 2021-22, annual dues remain \$10 per member.

Only library members who have renewed their annual dues for 2021-22 may partici-

pate in the election of officers and members of the Library Board of Directors. Ballots will be sent in early April to be returned to the library by May 7.

Library events to remember in March include the following:

Kiirsten Flynn, internship coordinator and boat driver in the field at Cascadia Research Collective in Olympia, Washington, will discuss "Insights into Large Whale Entanglements" via Facebook Live, for the World of Haystack Rock Lecture Series, Wednesday, March 10, at 7 p.m.

Wanda Meyer-Price will lead members of Cannon Beach Reads in a Zoom discussion of "People of the Book" by Geraldine Brooks, Wednesday, March 17, at 7 p.m.

Two weeks ago, I promised readers a fuller review of "Bag Man: The Wild Crimes, Audacious Cover-up & Spectacular Downfall of a Brazen Crook in the White House." In their return to a fifty-year-old political scandal, Rachael Maddow and Michael Yarvitz reprise the rise of Richard Nixon and little-known Spiro "Ted" Agnew to the White House in 1968.

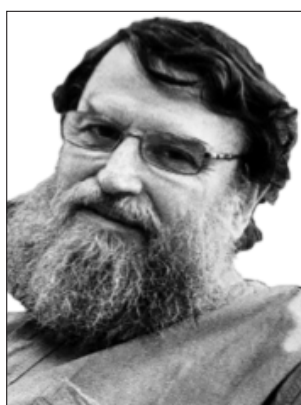
This largely now forgotten scandal involved Agnew's shakedown of government contractors for bribes and kickbacks. Agnew perpetu-

ated this hustle first from his position as Baltimore County Executive from 1962, then as Governor of Maryland from 1967 and finally continued from his White House office as Vice President from 1969 and into his second term in 1973.

In October, before the 1972 election, George Beall, U.S. Attorney for the District of Maryland, opened an investigation into rumors of corruption in the awarding of building and paving contracts in Baltimore County. From a prominent Republican family, Beall was appointed by President Nixon in 1970.

Beall assigned the investigation to three young assistant district attorneys in his Baltimore office—Tim Baker, Ron Liebman and Barney Skolnik, at 32 the oldest of the three. A month later, within a single hour, IRS agents hand delivered subpoenas for records to 26 engineering and architectural firms across the county on January 4, 1973.

Not until after Agnew challenged Attorney General Richard Kleindienst about the purpose of the Baltimore County investigation did



Joseph Bernt

Beall's young prosecutors remember that Nixon's vice president once was in charge of the county.

After all, the statute of limitations had expired, and what politician holds the second highest office in the land while operating a bribery and kickback scheme? Elliot Richardson, Nixon's newly appointed U. S. Attorney General, was not so quick to dismiss the possibility that Agnew might have participated in the kickback scheme.

How would the public, already fixated on the Watergate scandal, respond to the prospect of President Nixon being removed from office only to be replaced by Vice President Agnew, quite possibly himself a small-time grifter?

Seeing how close Nixon was to impeachment, Richardson made removing Agnew from the line of succession a priority, especially once the young assistant attorneys general showed Richardson their evidence of the vice president's involvement.

Wishing, however, was not likely to overcome Agnew's intransigence, his denials, his demands and so forth.

After extensive negotiations, Richardson cut a deal. Agnew would plead "no contest" to one count of tax evasion, and receive a \$10,000 fine and three years of unsupervised probation.

"History doesn't repeat itself, but it often rhymes," Mark Twain once famously wrote.

Clearly Maddow and Yarvitz heard history rhyming in the Trump White House when they examined historical records of Vice President Spiro Agnew's use of derogatory epithets and ethnic slurs, rhetoric that made Agnew more popular with conservative Republicans than was President Richard Nixon in 1968.

And suggestions of profiting from tax evasion and the intermingling of the family business with government contracts during the Trump administration only further amplified the financial rhymes that led to Agnew's conviction nearly 50 years earlier.

It is this rhyming history on which "Bag Man" concentrates with negligible reference to or comparison with the character and style of a convicted former vice president and this nation's only twice-impeached president.

The twenty new titles added to the library in February, conspicuously without references to electoral politics, suggest that the tsunami

of books about the Trump administration is receding.

Seven new fictional works include: "The Paris Library" by Janet Charles, "Waiting for the Night Song" by Julie Carrick Dalton, "Girl A" by Abigail Dean, "Relentless" by Mark Greaney, "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah, "The Wife Upstairs" by Rachel Hawkins and "Bloodline" by Jess Lourey.

Eight new mysteries have been added: "Tropic of Stupid" by Tim Dorsey, "An Extravagant Death" by Charles Finch, "The Survivors" by Jane Harper, "The Unwilling" by John Hart, "Missing and Endangered" by J. A. Vance, "Blood Grove" by Walter Mosley, "The Shadow Box" by Luanne Rice and "A Fatal Lie" by Charles Todd.

Five new works of nonfiction added are: "The Devil You Know: A Black Power Manifesto" by Charles M. Blow; "How to Avoid a Climate Disaster: The Solutions We Have and the Breakthroughs We Need" by Bill Gates; "The Daughters of Kobani: A Story of Rebellion, Courage and Justice" by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon; "Made in China: A Prisoner, an SOS Letter and the Hidden Cost of America's Cheap Goods" by Amelia Pang and "Land: How the Hunger for Ownership Shaped the Modern World" by Simon Winchester.

Food pantry becomes own nonprofit

Early in 2009, a group of Cannon Beach citizens gathered in the Cannon Beach Community Church Sanctuary to begin organizing the Cannon Beach Food Pantry. Cannon Beach Food Pantry began feeding people in April 2009 under the non-profit "Cannon Beach Food Systems." It was first located in the Cannon Beach Bible Church. In January 2014, Cannon Beach Community Church became the legal non-profit sponsor for CBFP. The all-volunteer pantry moved in January 2015 to its current location in the old library building at the former Cannon Beach Elementary School. For the past decade, Cannon Beach Community Church and Cannon Beach Food Pantry worked together to further the Pantry's mission

to "feed the hungry in a kind and compassionate manner". During this time, Cannon Beach Community Church has supported the Food Pantry with gifts of food and funding, along with volunteer support and has also served as the Cannon Beach Food Pantry extension, offering Food Pantry assistance to hungry persons passing through town on non-Pantry days of operation.

Now, after 11 years the Food Pantry is an integral part of the fabric of Cannon Beach. With the blessings of the Cannon Beach Community Church, the Cannon Beach Community Food Pantry is excited to announce it has become its own fully independent 501c3. All funds donated to the Pantry are for food and essentials for

the community. Therefore, the Pantry will work to raise funds through grants and donations of food, funds and volunteers. Cannon Beach Community Church will continue to support the Food Pantry as its own independent 501c3, sending volunteers, donations of food and financial support to the Cannon Beach Community Food Pantry. Community Church expresses its gratitude for the tireless effort of community volunteers who help the Cannon Beach Food Pantry provide such excellent care for hungry people in our area.

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Emergency SNAP allotments continue in March

Oregon has been approved to issue Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) emergency allotments for the month of March 2021. These emergency allotments will be available on:

- March 10 for current SNAP recipients
- March 30 for new SNAP recipients after March 10

Emergency allotments raise each household's regularly monthly SNAP allotment to the maximum allowable amount based on household size. Per the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), SNAP households already receiving the maximum allowable allotment

based on household size are not eligible to receive the emergency allotment.

SNAP recipients do not have to take any action to receive these supplemental benefits, as they will be issued directly on their EBT cards. Total benefits will be different based on each household's regular monthly allotment for the month of February.

The maximum monthly SNAP benefit amounts by household size and more information about emergency allotments are available at <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/ASSISTANCE/FOOD-BENEFITS/Pages/About-SNAP.aspx>.

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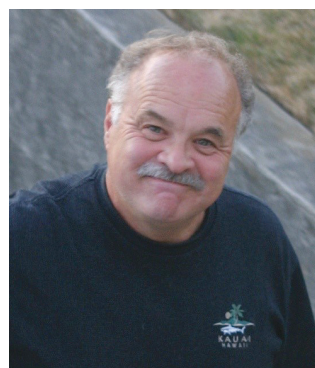
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Obituary

Harold Van Winkle



the clean room at Fairchild. His love was construction, though.

When his first marriage ended he went to Cannon Beach to heal and met his second wife, Cathy. Two years later they were married, choosing to stay in Cannon Beach and open Cannon Beach Construction. He felt honored to build steps to the beach that could withstand the battering of ocean storms, bridges, picnic tables, and paths for the city in addition to remodeling coastal homes. Cathy's son, Matt Verley, joined the business two years later, forming a partnership until Harold's stroke five years ago. He is greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Cathy, children, Kara and Shandan, step-sons, Matt and Travis Verley, and eight amazing grandchildren – Luke, Vince, Trace, Wes, Zach, Jude, Jade, and Drake; brothers Dave & Peggy Van Winkle and Jim and Jane Van Winkle and friends who feel an era has ended with his passing. Memorials may be sent to Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center or Compassion International.

To leave condolences, visit www.macyandson.com.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Harold Van Winkle left this world for a place of freedom February 24, 2021 in the arms of his loving wife.

Harold was all about life – he loved it, he lived it to his fullest. In his youth he climbed Mt Rainier. He rode a glissade from the top of Mt St Helens. He hiked, biked, and played chess with anyone he could talk into joining him. He traveled. Graduation from Puyallup High was followed by his first marriage, two years in the Navy Reserves, and two children he adored, Kara and Shandan. After a few college classes, he decided he'd rather be doing life and began Van Winkle Construction. When construction proved variable due to the economy he also added candle-making to his skill set, then fabricating discs in

Salmonberry Trail seeks funding from ODOT as they enter construction phase

Hilary Dorsey
For The Gazette

Progress is being made for the Salmonberry Trail, with plans for the river and canyon segments in the process of completion. The River Segment extends from the community of Mohler to the confluence of the Nehalem and Salmonberry Rivers. The Canyon Segment extends from the confluence of the Nehalem and Salmonberry Rivers through the Salmonberry Canyon to a Washington County/Tillamook County boundary four miles west of the community of Timber. The river and canyon segments total 34 miles.

"Once we do that, it's kind of a landmark moment because we get into the construction phase," Executive Director Jon-Paul Bowles said of the plans for the river and canyon segments.

There are four segments on the trail: The Coast, a 26 mile section from the city of Wheeler on the north to Tillamook on the south; Nehalem River, which spans 17 miles, from the confluence of the Salmonberry and Nehalem Rivers to the city of Wheeler; Salmonberry River, a 16 mile section through the Salmonberry River canyon; and The Valley, a 25-mile segment that starts in Banks and rises 1,600 feet in elevation to its summit at Cochran, west of Timber.

The Valley planning began in 2019. Executive Director Jon-Paul Bowles said it would take funding to build the trail, especially along Hwy 101 on the coast. The Salmonberry Trail is putting together project teams to pursue funding.

Bowles has been involved in the Salmonberry Trail for 8-9 months and knows the history of the area well. The rail line was washed out in the late 1990s by a 100-Year Flood. In 2007, there was another 100-Year Flood. There was significant investment in reviving the trail.

In 2012, Oregon State Forester Doug Decker launched the effort to build the Salmonberry Trail. He is now the vice



An engineer working where the rail line passes through the Tillamook State Forest. Photos provided by Jon-Paul Bowles

chair of the Salmonberry Trail Foundation. The trail is projected to be around 87 miles.

Bowles said if the foundation can put an operations agreement in place, there are sections of the trail that could be open to the public sooner than later. Volunteers would need to go out to these areas for maintenance.

"There's a really beautiful stretch at the confluence of the Nehalem and Salmonberry Rivers," Bowles said. "We could start doing soft surface trail there when we have funding and an agreement there for maintenance."

There will need to be plans in place for maintenance, such as volunteers picking up any litter on the trails.

The risk of flooding influenced the design concept of the trail dramatically, Bowles said. The challenging canyon area will be a narrower trail. It will not be ADA accessible. If a trail is washed out, it will be rehabbed in early spring or summer.

Regarding the issue of homelessness, Bowles said he does not think it will be an issue along Hwy 101, as many people will be using the trail in this area, and will likely push

out homelessness. Operations and maintenance will also be in place before the trail is open.

Bowles said Tillamook County is rich with outdoor recreational opportunities; however, there is not a lot of access to trails.

"It will attract a ton of visitors that will most benefit Tillamook County," Bowles said of the trail. "These are going to be people who are probably without a car, they're going to be purchasing their food, supplies and entertainment in the county."

The county has also has growing issues with crowding and the trail would help disperse that in different areas.

The Salmonberry Trail and the Oregon Coast Scenic Railroad (OCSR) have come together to explore solutions for the trail, Bowles said. He said he is encouraged by those conversations and in order for the trail to be successful, it requires a joint effort.

Bowles' role in the Salmonberry Trail is tracking where and when state and federal funding is available. There is not pressure on Tillamook County taxpayers to pay for the trail. The trail would act as an additional resource in the

county.

The Salmonberry Trail recently submitted two proposals for the Oregon Department of Transportation's Community Paths Program. The program will fund grants for project development, construction, reconstruction, major resurfacing or other improvements of multiuse paths that improve access and safety for people walking and bicycling. OCSR was a partner at the table, offering knowledge of the infrastructure. ODOT will announce grant awards this summer.

"I hope we win the funding," Bowles said. "But if we don't, I think we're proven we can work together and take a bite of this thing at a time."

Bowles said the public's concerns have been heard and will continue to be heard through the process of building the trail. Sections of the trail will be prioritized based on funding available. Bowles' goal with the foundation is to be part of the community and serve the people of Tillamook County.

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ShakeAlert earthquake early warning system comes to Oregon

What if you could get a notice of earthquake shaking before it's felt at your location? The technology exists, is already in place along most of the West Coast and operational for key infrastructure systems such as automatic water valve shutoffs and starting back-up generators.

ShakeAlert®, an earthquake early warning system powered by the U.S. Geological Survey, uses science and technology to detect significant earthquakes quickly so alerts can reach people before shaking arrives. These seconds of advance warning allow people and systems to take actions to protect life and property from destructive shaking.

In Oregon, ShakeAlert-powered alert delivery to wireless devices such as cell phones via the Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) System, mobile apps and other technologies will begin as of 10 a.m. on March 11. No specific action is needed for WEA alerts and for cell phones using the Android operating system. The mobile app, QuakeAlertUSA, is currently available in Oregon.

March 11 coincides with the 10th anniversary of the M 9.1 Great Tohoku, Japan earthquake, which killed thousands and leveled cities. The Tohoku tsunami inundated coastal communities in Oregon, causing millions of dollars in damages. Like Japan, a subduction zone lies off the coast of Oregon, capable

of generating M 9.0 earthquakes. "This amazing technology could provide valuable seconds or tens of seconds on the front of an earthquake, not only mitigating lives lost by giving people a chance to seek shelter but also helping to drive a more efficient response," said Andrew Phelps, director of the Oregon Office of Emergency Management. "The ability for first responders to take protective actions for themselves and their equipment means more resources to help Oregonians once the shaking stops."

How it works

According to Robert de Groot, USGS ShakeAlert coordinator for Communication, Education, Outreach and Technical Engagement, ShakeAlert is an infrastructure of seismic sensors within a regional network that is part of the Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS), the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network (PNSN) and the California Integrated Seismic Network (CISN). A network of seismic sensors across California, Oregon and Washington are constantly measuring ground motion. They send this ground motion data to a USGS managed ShakeAlert processing center in Seattle; Pasadena, Calif.; or Menlo Park, Calif.

"When a sensor detects shaking, fast working algorithms and a state-of-the-art network may potentially give you seconds of warning before



that seismic wave arrives to your location," said Robert.

Algorithms take just a few seconds to do calculations and issue a ShakeAlert Message containing information about the estimated magnitude and area of shaking of the earthquake. The message is made available to ShakeAlert distribution partners such as utilities, hospitals, transportation systems, schools, emergency management agencies, etc., producing and delivering alerts, thus enabling people to take protective actions, such as drop/cover/hold on. In addition, ShakeAlert protects people and vital infrastructure by triggering automated actions such as closing water valves, starting back-up generators and issuing public announcements. For a ShakeAlert Message to be issued by the USGS, at least four seismic sensors need to detect the same ground motion.

What to do
When an alert is received, over a mobile device or from another communications channel, drop, cover and hold on.

- **DROP** where you are, onto your hands and knees – this position protects you from being knocked down and allows you to stay low and crawl to shelter if nearby. If no shelter nearby, crawl next to an interior wall (away from windows).
- **COVER** your head and neck with one arm and hand; if a sturdy table or desk is nearby, crawl under it and hold on with one hand. If there is no table or desk near you, maintain a crawling position to protect your vital organs and be ready to move if necessary.
- **HOLD ON** until shaking stops.

Why ShakeAlert?

Oregon is one of the most earthquake-prone areas in the continental United States. Over the years, Oregon has had a series of earthquakes, large and small.

The Cascadia Subduction Zone is a 600-mile long fault that runs from northern California up to British Columbia and is about 70-100 miles off the Pacific coast shoreline. Oregon has the potential for an M 9.0+ earthquake caused by the Cascadia Subduction Zone and a resulting tsunami of up to 100 feet in height that will impact the coastal area. There have been 41 earthquakes in the last 10,000 years

along this fault, occurring as few as 190 years or as much as 1200 years apart. The last M 9.0 (estimated) earthquake that occurred in this fault was Jan. 26, 1700.

Earthquakes strike suddenly, without warning and at any time of the year. Any and all preventative or warning resources can help to mitigate loss of lives, severe injury and devastating infrastructure damage.

"The last 12 months have been extraordinary, especially for us here in Oregon," said Phelps. "One of the biggest takeaways from our experiences with catastrophic floods, battling a global pandemic, historic deadly and devastating wildfires, and the most recent severe winter storm is that there are things we can do as individuals, families and communities to reduce our risk and lessen the impact of these disasters. Avoiding floodwaters, wearing a mask, heeding evacuation warnings, creating defensible space and preparing for the worst make us less vulnerable. So, too, does earthquake early warning."

The ShakeAlert system is developed by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and a coalition of West Coast universities and state partners, including the University of Oregon, Oregon Office of Emergency Management, and the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

Governor issues statement about students in Oregon returning to class

"Eight weeks ago, I directed the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority to put more schools on track to return students to in-person instruction, with a focus on our youngest learners. Since then, thanks to the incredible work of our superintendents, school board members, educators, parents, and community members, Oregon has more than doubled the number of students learning in-person, to 116,749.

"Starting next month, even more school districts across Oregon will begin returning elementary students to the classroom for hybrid instruction—including our second largest school district, Sa-

lem-Keizer, with over 17,000 elementary students. By the end of April, most elementary students in Oregon will be learning in classrooms again.

"I am thrilled to see so many of Oregon's school districts and teachers working hard to help return our children to the most effective learning environment: in-person, personalized education. Now, middle and high school students must get the same chance, so that all students have the opportunity to benefit from in-person instruction, regardless of the community in which they live. It has been almost a year since most Oregon students have set foot in a classroom, and they are suffering. The social, emo-



tional, mental, physical, and academic impacts of distance learning on our students have been well-documented. And, much has changed since last March.

"Oregon is committing robust state and federal resources for our schools—including our supplies of Abbott BinaxNOW rapid tests for on-site testing—to

get students back into classrooms. We are utilizing \$500 million in federal relief to implement safety standards and buy personal protective equipment for staff and students. All educators who want a vaccine will soon be fully vaccinated.

"The science is clear: with proper health and safety protocols in place, there is very little risk of COVID-19 transmission in schools. As districts implement the more than 160 health and safety protocols outlined in Oregon's Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance, we can reopen our school buildings in a way that protects students, staff, and our communities.

"When I made my announcement in December, many thought in-person elementary was far beyond reach. At the height of our

winter surge, COVID-19 case counts were high and hospital capacity was threatened. Since then, thanks to the smart choices of Oregonians, our case rates, hospitalizations, and deaths from COVID-19 have steadily declined, and even our largest school districts, including in the tri-county area, today meet or exceed Oregon's advisory school metrics for hybrid in-person instruction.

"Our students only grow up once. We cannot let the school year end with the class of 2021 never having set foot in Oregon high schools. I know that some have had their doubts. But we can do this, by continuing to work together. It is within our power to provide every Oregon student the opportunity for in-person instruction this school year."

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