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## NCRD receives grants for construction upgrades

### Transient Lodging Tax, Ford Family Foundation and local donations bring total to \$115,700

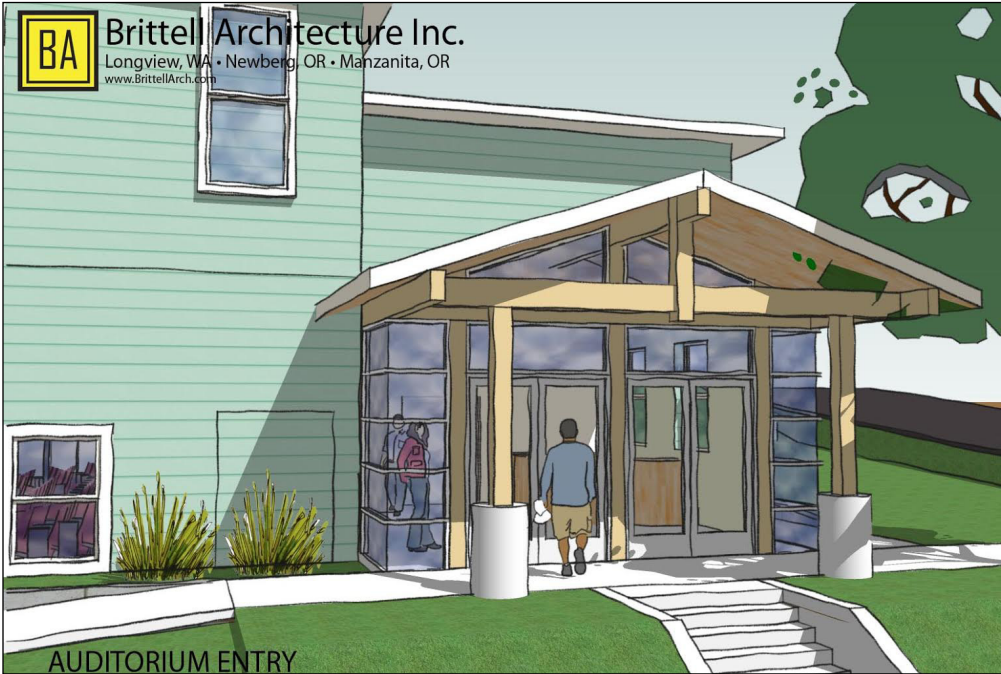
North County Recreation District (NCRD) has been awarded two grants totaling \$100,000. The grants will help fund the construction of ADA restrooms and a lobby for its Performing Arts Center. In addition to the grants, NCRD received \$15,700 in private donations for this project.

The Tillamook County TLT (Transient Lodging Tax) Community Grant program awarded \$75,000. The Ford Family Foundation awarded a grant for \$25,000, for a total in grants and donations of \$115,700. The ADA restrooms and lobby are needed to complete the restoration of the Performing Arts Center which has hosted many concerts, plays, fundraisers, an opera, an improv comedy troupe, and even a live radio broadcast on OPR. In the past several years numerous Grammy award winners or nominees have performed on the

stage, along with national and internationally known musicians. The ADA restrooms will make attendance far easier for persons with mobility challenges, and the lobby area will provide a space for gathering before performances or during intermissions.

The construction plans are completed and permits are in process. The project has been advertised and sealed bids are due August 6th. NCRD appreciates the support from all of the donors and grantors in making this project a reality.

The Ford Family Foundation was established in 1957 by Kenneth W. and Hallie E. Ford. Its mission is “successful citizens and vital rural communities” in Oregon and Siskiyou County, California. The Foundation is located is Roseburg, Oregon, with a Scholarship office in Eugene.



## ◆ IT'S FAIR TIME

### ★ Tillamook County Fair ★



★ Tillamook, Oregon ★ ★ August 5-8, 2020 ★

## TILLAMOOK COUNTY FAIR LETTING THE GOOD TIME GROW

Despite a global pandemic, the Tillamook County Fair Board along with Fair Grounds Manager Camy VonSeggern and staff are keeping the good times growing this year at the fair.

With many fairs around the state being canceled, the board and staff who oversee the entire operations at the fair grounds and plan for the annual Tillamook County Fair, came up with innovative ways to keep the local fair alive this year. It may not be the same fair you are used to experiencing each and every year, but with some out-of-the-box thinking and planning, the fair will go on according to VonSeggern.

The 2020 Tillamook County Fair will offer local kids and their animals a chance to shine with 4-H/FFA exhibits and the Junior Livestock Auction (JLAC). VonSeggern said, “The fair board has been working hard to ensure that the youth in

our county have a chance to participate in traditional 4-H/FFA events and the Junior Livestock Auction this year. We have a well-designed plan for youth fair participation that meets all of the Governor’s guidelines for public health safety.”

The 4-H/FFA and JLAC activities will be open to 4-H members and their families only this year, to control the number of people in the 4-H zone. Please see the attached 4-H/FFA schedule of events.

#### Calling on open class exhibitors

The fair will host open class exhibits in the Main Building and the skating rink Aug. 7-8. Open class exhibits include flowers and plants, quilts and textile arts, photography and art, culinary, crafts & hobbies and land products. “The community is invited to enter their open class exhibits this year. Please visit the website to register online. We’re excited to see the things people have grown and created this year!”

“We are pleased to be able to invite the public to come to the fair Aug. 7-8 and celebrate the amazing creativity on display by folks in Tillamook County,” said VonSeggern. “We can safely host 100 people in the buildings at one time; per the Governor’s guidelines, face coverings while indoors and social

distancing are required.”

The public will be admitted in groups of 50 in 45- minute time slots. Please go online to TillamookFair.com and click on the “Ticket” to register for your time. Walk-ins are welcome, but people may have to wait for an available time slot.

Fairgoers will also enjoy fun exhibits such as Pig n Ford cars, classic cars, old time tractors, large farm equipment, Brad’s World of Reptiles, Long Horn cattle, dairy and beef, sheep and goats and some traditional fair food.

There is no charge for parking or entry, but donations are gladly accepted. “The 2020 fair is our gift to the community,” said VonSeggern. “We need an opportunity to come together in a safe and responsible way and celebrate the heritage and people of our community. Please join us and “Let the Good Times Grow” at the Tillamook County Fair 2020.”

Go online at Tillamook-Fair.com for more information.

**Fair Schedule**  
**Tuesday August 4:** 4H/FFA Animal Weigh In

**Wednesday, August 5:** 4H/FFA Swine - Conformation Classes: Breeding, 4H/FFA Market, Lightweight/Heavyweight Classes

Swine – Showmanship: FFA Advance, FFA Novice, 4H Senior, 4H Intermediate, 4H Junior

Dog Classes: Showmanship, followed by Obedience, Agility  
JLAC: Swine Auction Show

**Thursday, August 6:** 4H/FFA

• Sheep - Conformation Classes: Breeding, Lightweight, Heavy Weight Classes

• Sheep – Showmanship: FFA Advance, FFA Novice, 4H Senior, 4H Intermediate, 4H Junior

• Goats – Conformation Classes: Breeding, Lightweight, Heavy Weight Classes

• Goats – Showmanship: FFA Advance, FFA Novice, 4H Senior, 4H Intermediate, 4H Junior

• Small Animals : Rabbit/Cavy Showmanship & Conformation

• Small Animals: Poultry Showmanship & Conformation

JLAC: Sheep/Goats/Poultry/Rabbit Auction Show

#### The Fair is open to the public

• Friday August 7, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

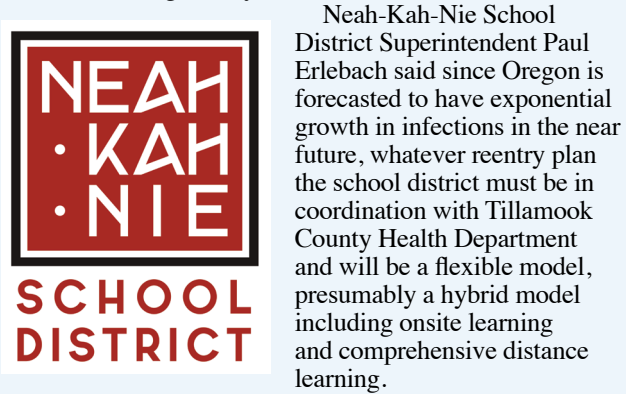
• Saturday August 8, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

• General parking is available in our west lot. Enter the parking area off of Marolf Loop, by TBCC.

## School districts explore options for upcoming school year

Hilary Dorsey  
Staff Writer

School districts in Tillamook County prepare for the upcoming school year, relying on ever-changing guidance. Ready Schools, Safe Learners, developed under the direction of Gov. Kate Brown, and in collaboration with Oregon Health Authority, provides a framework for schools for the 2020-2021 school year that ensures the health and safety of students, staff and families. The guidance allows schools to implement three instructional models: onsite, distance learning or a hybrid of the two.



“The priorities for the school district are to create a safe environment for students and staff, address the social emotional needs of students, and meet students’ academic goals,” Erlebach said.

Neah-Kah-Nie School District, and Neah-Kah-Nie High School, Neah-Kah-Nie Middle School, Nehalem Elementary, Garibaldi Grade School, and Neah-Kah-Nie Preschool, will develop reentry plans for 2020-2021, following the Oregon Department of Education’s Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance, Erlebach said. The tentative plan the district developed one month ago is not the current plan and will not be the plan in September.

“The target constantly changes,” Erlebach said. School administrators and others will meet during the week of Aug. 3 to complete the Operational Blueprint for School Reentry plans. Neah-Kah-Nie School District also depends on how the community controls the coronavirus, Erlebach added.

“We all need to follow the three W’s – wear a mask, wash your hands, and watch your distance,” Erlebach said.

Nestucca Valley School District’s team has spent the summer working to develop a Pre-K-12 instructional offering that can be implemented in a physical classroom, as well as through a distance model.

“We will communicate regularly, as the state and county issue continued guidance about what our practices must look like,” a community letter wrote on June 6. “We will stay vigilant in monitoring what the latest guidance is concerning student athletics and activities, while driving to create opportunity for our kids to begin to engage in those activities again.”

“Everything is ever-changing,” Tillamook School District Superintendent Curt Shelley said.

As of now, there is currently an option for students K-grade 6 in the Tillamook School District to return to school every day Monday through Friday. For middle and high schools, students would be on an AB schedule, meaning the students would be split into two groups. The two groups would go to school on different days. One week, a group would attend school two days a week, and the next week would attend three days a week.

The junior and high school do not have the capacity for all students to attend school at the same time, Shelley said. For the AB schedule, class sizes are cut in half. For the first three hours of the school day, one group will be in the same classroom for homeroom, math, language arts and then swap. Students would be seeing their homeroom teacher





# Tillamook County Horse Fair displays showmanship

This year's Tillamook County 4-H Horse Fair is in the books.

With more than 6 million members, 4-H is the largest out-of-school youth program in the United States. Oregon State University 4-H Youth Development Program has connected thousands of local youth to engaging hands-on learning opportunities and supportive adult partnerships.

4-H empowers young people with hands-on learning experiences to help them grow and thrive. By creating a safe and welcoming environment, young people develop the skills needed to make a positive impact on the world around them.

If you are interested in learning more about the Tillamook County 4-H Program, contact Dakota Lager at the OSU Extension Service, Tillamook County Office Dakota.lager@oregonstate.edu or 503-842-3433.

**Horse Fair results**  
**Class & Division/Ribbon**  
**4-H Showmanship – Jr. Division**  
Reese Hopkes CH  
Blair Hallock RC  
Annalise Moran B  
Bella Wolk B  
Sandra Hall R

**4-H Showmanship – Int. Division**  
Matthew Averill CH  
Sarah Vieten RC  
Brynn Blaser R  
Madeline Prince R

**4-H Showmanship – Sr. Division**  
Cassie Wehage CH  
Anja Garcia RC  
Chloe Rieger R  
Olivia Olson R

**4-H Walk Trot – Jr. Division**  
Sandra Hall R

**4-H Western Equitation – Jr. Division**  
Reese Hopkes CH  
Blair Hallock RC  
Annalise Moran B  
Bella Wolk R

**4-H Western Equitation – Int. Division**  
Matthew Averill CH  
Sarah Vieten RC  
Brynn Blaser B  
Madeline Prince R

**4-H Western Equitation – Sr. Division**  
Cassie Wehage CH  
Anja Garcia R  
Chloe Rieger R  
Olivia Olson R



The 2020 Tillamook County 4-H Horse Fair was held July 10 at the Tillamook County Fairgrounds. Courtesy photo

**4-H English Equitation – Jr. Division**  
Reese Hopkes R

**4-H English Equitation – Int. Division**  
Matthew Averill R  
Sarah Vieten R

**4-H English Equitation – Sr. Division**  
Cassie Wehage CH

**4-H Trail – Jr. Division**  
Reese Hopkes CH  
Annalise Moran RC  
Bella Wolk R  
Blair Hallock R

**4-H Trail – Int. Division**  
Sarah Vieten CH  
Brynn Blaser R  
Madeline Prince R  
Matthew Averill W

**4-H Trail – Sr. Division**

Cassie Wehage CH  
Anja Garcia R

**4-H In-Hand Trail – Int. Division**  
Sarah Vieten R

**4-H Ground Training – Int. Division**  
Sarah Vieten R

**4-H Ground Training – Sr. Division**

Cassie Wehage R

*Junior division is for ages 9-11, Intermediate division is ages 12-14 and Senior division is ages 15-19. Ribbons are CH = Champion, RC = Reserve Champion, B = Blue (excellent quality), R = Red (good quality), W = White (fair quality).*

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## Tillamook County at 24 confirmed COVID-19 cases

### Leadership discusses limited testing

**Hilary Dorsey**

headlightreporter@countrymedia.net

Tillamook County Leadership discussed limited testing, current COVID-19 cases and updates in a community update meeting Friday, July 24. As of July 24, the county has 24 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases.

“Testing supplies continue to be an issue because of supply chain and we’re not unique,” Adventist Health Tillamook President Eric Swanson said. “That is still a nationwide issue.”

Tillamook County Community Health Centers Administrator Marlene Putman said the county is at 24 positive cases. There have been no deaths or workplace outbreaks from COVID-19 in Tillamook County.

“As we know, masks, face shields and face coverings are currently required statewide for indoor public places,” Putman said. “In addition, face coverings are required in outdoor spaces when physical distancing is not possible.”

Children ages five and older are now required to wear face coverings.

Putman said the center is continuing to test, but primarily for those who are symptomatic.

“With our limited supplies, we’re all doing that testing,” Putman said. “If people would like to do testing, they should know there are costs associated with the lab. Through our clinic, you can have a conversation with staff about whether some of those fees can be waived.”

Oregon and Tillamook County health care professionals are seeing patients in person and virtually. All clinics will provide patients with a mask.

“Dental offices are also open,” Putman said. “Don’t put off a preventative treatment, if possible, in order to prevent a more serious condition down the road, for both your dental and medical and behavioral health care.”

Rinehart Clinic is following the same protocols as the health department. They are seeing patients in clinics safely and continue to screen patients and staff.

## Schools

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every day but in a different capacity.

“This is a moving target at this time,” Shelley said.

The virus will have an impact on what happens with the upcoming school year, Shelley added. The number one goal of the school district is safety; to keep students safe both at school and at home.

The school district is also interviewing candidates for a virtual instruction coordinator. This would provide an online option for families who are not comfortable with their kids coming back to school in the fall.

For grades K-8, there will be cold lunches served in the classroom. The district is still planning out the details for lunch for grades 9-12.

Shelley said the district will also keep kids in cohorts on the school buses. The buses will deliver to the same addresses each time and students will be in assigned seats so those students could be contact traced if need be.

Shelley appreciates the parents’ willingness with being flexible and educating their kids. He hopes the community will give grace to the school district. School district staff worked hard to provide access to students and offer opportunities during distance learning.

Nestucca Valley School District Superintendent Misty Wharton wrote in a letter on

June 30 that the opening of schools in the fall is an all-consuming task that she and the leadership team are studying very closely. As a district, they have not generated any formal plans yet, as things may change between now and September.

“It will take all of us to make any system we develop work,” Wharton wrote. “I am confident that we can do this as a community.”

Nestucca Valley School District will provide an update to the community the week of July 20, including updates concerning athletics and activities, internet accessibility, opening of schools in the fall and more.

Send comments to: headlightreporter@countrymedia.net

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## Letters & Columns

# Mayor provides state of the pandemic in Manzanita

**Mayor Mike Scott**  
City of Manzanita

As your mayor and on behalf of the city council, I want to express my thanks and appreciation to everyone in the community who has done their part in big ways and small to help us deal with this truly unprecedented situation.

Nearly four months into the COVID-19 pandemic, we want to review with the community where we are and what the city has planned in the days ahead.

First, a look back at the last several months.

Gov. Kate Brown put Oregon under a stay at home order effective Monday, March 23. That weekend the weather was beautiful, and we were overwhelmed with visitors who were ignoring the governor's order.

By 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 22, we declared a

State of Emergency. All city employees reported to work and boarded up and closed all city facilities and we asked visitors to return to their homes. The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners were informed as to what we were doing. The commissioners followed suit with a countywide lockdown that afternoon.

For the next 70 days we operated under a State of Emergency with most businesses closed, including motels and short-term rentals.

We ended the first State of Emergency on May 29 and reopened motels and short-term rentals at 50 percent capacity. We are now back to 100 percent capacity.

With the reoccurrence of the virus and with cases continuing to increase, we initiated our second State of Emergency and led the way with a mandatory mask order on June 24. This was soon

followed by a statewide mask order.

### Manzanita's response

As the public health emergency continues, we are holding weekly leadership conferences with department heads and city councilors. These 10 a.m. Friday calls are conducted via Zoom and members of the public are welcome and encouraged to join us. Simple easy to follow instructions are provided on the city's website under the COVID-19 tab.

Additionally, in order to keep our community connected and up to date about the pandemic and our response, we have produced more than 60 community videos that are posted at the city's website under the tab "Mayor's Videos."

Members of the city council have been fully involved in our response and our planning for the future. They

each have been assigned an area of responsibly during this pandemic.

- Council President Linda Kozlowski has taken the lead on emergency response due to her long involvement with the Emergency Volunteer Corps of Nehalem Bay.

- City Councilor Steve Nuttall has the leadership for our short-term rental work-group and the short-term rental and transient lodging community.

- City Councilor Thomas Aschenbrener has the lead on issues related to food security and charitable donations.

- City Councilor Hans Tonjes is providing leadership to coordinate between the city and our business community.

### The future

It is all too obvious that the future is far from clear. The long-term effects for our community are uncertain. Many of the questions all

of us are asking to remain impossible to answer.

Will food supplies become scarce, will schools be able to open, will we enter an even worse economic downturn, will the virus mutate into something even more serious, when will a vaccine or other treatment be available?

We have to expect the COVID-19 situation to get worse this fall before it gets better. We may well have to dig in through the end of this year to protect our neighbors and ourselves as we wait for a vaccine.

Still, there are a number of things we can do.

- We will continue to stay engaged with community and state leaders and keep everyone informed.

- We will soon announce the establishment and membership of a Manzanita public health and safety advisory committee comprised of local citizens with knowledge and

experience in public health, health care, public safety and public communications. We will ask this committee to provide the city and the community with the latest and most accurate scientific information.

- We will stay calm and continue to support each other, our local merchants and non-profit community in every way we can.

- And we will continue to stay safe by following three basic rules: wear a mask, maintain social distance, and wash our hands frequently.

Though there may be more dark days ahead, we will continue to stand together. We will get through this pandemic. This will end because we are a resilient and caring community, and we will come out of this as a better community.

Thanks, and stay safe and do all you can to help our community stay safe.

## Response to mayor of Manzanita

I am writing about the mayor's criticism of Randy Kugler. I want to address the issue concerning payment of the City Manager from the Water Bureau funds. Randy was City Manager in Manzanita for 8 years and is familiar with the amount of time spent handling duties and recognized that 50 percent was out of line. The percentage paid to the City Managers of cities of comparable size to Manzanita is about 15 percent for oversight of the Water Bureau yet our City Manager and Assistant City Manager each receive 50 percent, in effect 100 percent of one employee's salary.

Most people who are familiar with this issue, know that Jerry Taylor was paid about 25 percent to oversee the Water Bureau until the new Water Treatment Plant was under construction about 15 years ago. Because he was overseeing construction, his pay from the Water fund was bumped up to 50 percent. When the construction was finished, the percentage should have dropped down, but every year since, the 50% is still used. In many small cities in Oregon, the City Manager is also responsible to watch over public works, yet Manzanita has a full time director to take care of the Water Bureau, and for questions about water bills, we have a clerk. Why would the City Managers be paid at 50 percent to oversee the Water Bureau.

The mayor's press release and letter say that Randy Kugler threatened to sue the City of Manzanita over this.

In truth, some citizen's of Manzanita approached Randy with questions about a lawsuit. Randy told the city that they could be open to a lawsuit, but there was time before the 2019/2020 budget was ratified to drop those percentages down to a reasonable amount. Instead, the Mayor said he was forced to spend a year reviewing the matter and since that percentage had been used for "20 years" it validated that it was appropriate. Why not just ask the Managers to keep time cards as the Public Works employees do and act accordingly? That would validate it.

The press release mentions that outside auditors, Accuity, LLC were asked to "thoroughly review the situation. They found no issues or concerns." That sounds very good, BUT auditors come in once a year to look over the books. They have nothing to do with rates paid to employees. They are there to see that whatever the city agreed to pay was paid, not to watch over the City Manager to see how her time was spent.

The mayor hired FCS Group to undertake an analysis. I listened to the full report. In the absence of time cards, he had to construct what the City Manager does out of thin air, so he relied on the City Council Meetings and what

subjects came up to allocate time spent. Very hard to do accurately, but he complied. Randy asked if the City Manager and Assistant City Manager were entitled to 50 percent of their salary from the water fund. The City's consultant said that the maximum that could be justified was 30 percent for each. The City could not provide a single example of personnel management activities during the past two years that the consultant's model used to justify those 30 percent allocations.

When you've been taking advantage of a money stream for "20 years" and you realize it was not right, it is a big loss, but the honorable course of action would be to admit that a mistake has been made and change it. You do not go after the person who pointed out the mistake, slander him, and make him the scapegoat for your failure to do the right thing.

Shannon Staehnke  
Manzanita

## Follow the guidelines or we'll be shut down again

Ryan Anderson and Jon Orloff (HH, wed. July 22, 2020) make some valid arguments for mask wearing. There is another point that I would like to make. As the saying goes: "It's the economy, Stupid!" If we don't all follow the scientific commu-

nity's guidelines; avoid large gatherings, social distancing, hand washing and, especially, wearing masks we risk a surging outbreak like they are experiencing in the South and Southwest right now. Do we want to go back the shut-downs of a few months ago, when even the beaches were closed? Certain selfish, misinformed people may not care if they get or spread the virus but I bet they will care if they lose their jobs.

Bob Forster  
Nehalem

## We live in constant threat from timber companies

Local citizens, wildlife and plants are under constant threat to their health from timber companies spraying the extensive clear cuts in Tillamook and Clatsop counties with herbicides. Even though the science shows that diverse species creates a healthier forest, chemicals continue to be used to block anything but their monocrop tree farms, which can no longer be called healthy forests, from growing.

The Sustainable Forestry Initiative was cited as the "watchdog" for the industry. The SFI is 80% owned by the industry it is supposed to monitor?

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The research by organizations concerned with

this constant exposure to an untested mix of chemicals is supported by notable scientists and organizations such as Beyond Toxics and Oregon Wild. I have friends who suffer extreme reactions when spraying is near their homes, and that spraying is increasing at an alarming rate.

Some of you may live in an area where there is no sign of clearcutting. I urge you to visit the Nehalem/Wheeler area and count the

number of bare mountainsides, often on steep slopes, where current and upcoming spraying will drain into protected marshes, streams and rivers, and runoff and drift will further deplete critical salmon habitat.

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Glenna Gray  
Nehalem

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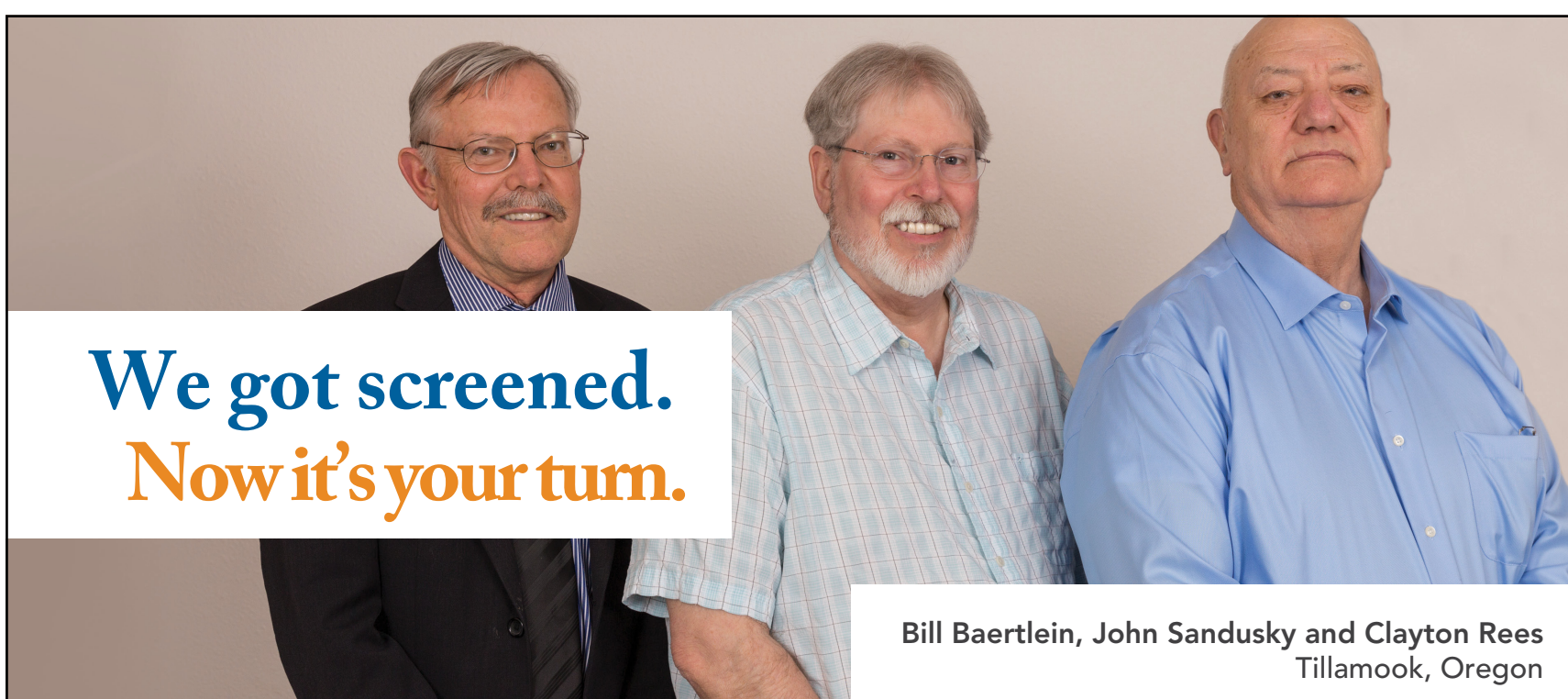


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# High school football delayed indefinitely

**Hilary Dorsey**

Staff Writer

The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) announced Wednesday, July 22, that high school football is delayed indefinitely, while the first fall contest date for other sports has been pushed back to Sept. 23. This decision came after the OSAA Executive Board met in a closed work session July 20-22 to discuss school reopening and school sports and activities.

OSAA said football is considered a full contact sport and is currently prohibited. No definite date has been established by the state for a review of this prohibition. Football restrictions would need to be lifted by

Sept. 28 in order to have a modified regular season this fall.

Cheerleading and dance/drill are also considered full contact activities through the governor's and Oregon Health Authority guidelines and are currently prohibited as well.

If fall activities are not able to be held in the fall, the OSAA executive board is committed to working with its contingency groups to exhaust all options for these activities including shifting, condensing or stacking seasons, like they have done in Washington and California, with the fundamental objective of providing participation opportunities for students, OSAA said.

OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber said if there were a football season this fall, it would likely be a 6-game season.

"I'm not sure if there would be a post season," Weber said.

The OSAA Executive Board is looking at the possibility of moving the football season to later in the school year if it is not able to begin in the fall.

"The issue for us, in the state, is that football is not allowed," Weber said. "Something would have to change."

Weber said this not a decision OSAA can make, but rather what the state will allow.

The first contest dates for cross country, volleyball and soccer has been delayed to Sept. 23, previously Aug. 27. The original first fall practice date of Aug. 17

remains in place at this time. New guidance from the state requiring face coverings even when exercising indoors will require further consideration regarding guidance for indoor activities.

OSAA is trying to do what they can to provide fall activities, Weber said. They want kids to get back to playing sports.

The OSAA Executive Board will meet again the week of Aug. 3 as they anticipate additional information regarding reopening plans by schools and further school sports and activity guidance from the state. New guidance regarding face coverings and health metrics will be coming soon, the OSAA said.

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# Salmonberry Trail meeting set for Aug. 7

The Salmonberry Trail Intergovernmental Agency (STIA) will meet virtually to discuss the proposed Salmonberry Trail corridor from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Aug. 7. The public can view the proceedings on YouTube at <https://bit.ly/stiavideo>.

Items to be discussed include updates on the Salmonberry Trail Foundation and status of the current River and

Canyon Segment planning study.

The proposed Salmonberry Trail is an 86-mile corridor that follows the Port of Tillamook Bay Railway connecting Tillamook and the city of Banks in Washington County. The proposed route connects eight cities and two counties, passing by the Oregon coastline, fisheries, and farmland and through the Oregon Coast Range.

STIA was established to promote and facilitate coordinated direction and guidance in the planning, long-term development and eventual maintenance of the multi-use trail.

For more information or if you would like to submit public comment for board members to review, contact Dennis Wiley, Salmonberry Trail project manager, [dennis.wiley@oregon.gov](mailto:dennis.wiley@oregon.gov) at least three days prior to the meeting.



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- Beautiful Creatures of OR Marine Reserves, Aug. 12
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- US Bank
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- Manzanita Links
- Nehalem Valley Hist. Society – Saturdays, 1-4 pm
- Bayside Gardens Shell Station
- NCRD Fitness Center
- NCRD Fitness Classes (held in gym)
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- Rising Hearts – Call ahead – (503).800.1092
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## Hot weather, cold water raise safety alert

As people flock to the water to cool off this summer, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) and the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) remind people to play it safe at Oregon's beaches, lakes and rivers.

**Be safe exploring the beach**

The Pacific Ocean is a powerful force, and all visitors should know how to stay safe and teach children the same. Even the strongest swimmers can be vulnerable to rip currents — fast-moving channels that flow out to sea. Choppy dark water and floating debris serve as warnings of rip currents.

"If you become caught in a rip current, don't panic," said Robert Smith, who coordinates OPRD's safety program. "Swim parallel to the beach until you are out of the rip, then swim back to the beach."

Climbing or hiking along beachside cliffs can be extremely dangerous. Cliff edges may look stable, but many can crumble easily with the slightest weight.

"Taking one step closer to the edge may be all that is needed to crumble a bluff," Smith said. "Please stay on trails, respect signs and stay behind fences."

More beach safety tips are at [stateparks.oregon.gov](http://stateparks.oregon.gov).

**Safety tips for rivers and lakes**

Be aware that rivers fed by snowmelt run cold even on hot days. And swift currents hidden beneath the surface can catch swimmers off guard.

"If you get caught in the current, know how to float with your feet pointing downstream and have your life jacket straps secured to the jacket so they don't get tangled in any underwater snags," said Ashley Massey, spokeswoman for OSMB.

Visitors heading out to a lake or river that typically has a life jacket loaner station will need to bring their own. OSMB and OPRD closed all loaner stations for 2020 due to sanitation concerns related to COVID-19.

"The Marine Board supports closing the stations to protect public health, and recommends visitors bring — and wear — their own jackets," Massey said. "Accidents happen quickly, and there isn't time to put on a jacket in the middle of an emergency."

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If you can successfully solve the puzzle, send your name, age, and the city you live in to: [recycle@co.tillamook.or.us](mailto:recycle@co.tillamook.or.us) by Tuesday, August 11, 2020, for a chance to win a prize from the Master Recyclers! (Write PUZZLE in the subject line.)

**TAKE CONTROL!**

Help reduce your risk of wildfire in just a weekend. Create a defensible space, a 30' non combustible zone around your home. Defensible space is an effective method to reduce your risk against wildfire.