

Local

County Commissioners hold meeting with USFS

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Montoya estimates that the timber salvage projects in the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest could produce 20 to 25-million board feet of timber har-

vest. He said this limitation is set by a lack of funding to the agency and due to environmental regulations imposed in the 1990s that greatly limit timber harvests.

"This is a broken system," countered Harvey. "The revenue is out there

growing. We want to get back to the system that worked."

Near the end of the discussion, Bennett relayed his attention during the past several years to the South Fork of the Burnt River. He told the USFS supervisors about prob-

lems in the national forest lands with dead and dying timber stands. He asked for the regulatory tools and for early agency notification to treat the infected areas before they spread. Harvey backed up Bennett's analysis by explaining the expanding nature of the

infected area in the South Fork of the Burnt River with a 300-acre timber stand that began having problems with infestation and how that expanded to 3,000-acres and now stands at 30,000-acres.

"We need to treat the forest in a rapid manner," said

Bennett.

"We desperately need to know sooner. Rules and regulations don't address these huge problems," Harvey said. "If you have a cancer you go to the doctor and have it cut out, you don't allow it to grow."

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Oct. 2 Maze is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Oct. 3 Open from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. only.

Oct. 4 Grand opening 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Oct. 10 Midnight in the maze on the full moon. Maze is open from 7 p.m. to 12 p.m. Sit around the campfire.

Oct. 17 Night maze. Open from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sit around and enjoy the campfire afterwards.

Oct. 24 Full moon in the maze. Maze is open from 7 p.m. to 12 p.m. Sit around the campfire and enjoy the full moon after getting lost in the maze!

Oct. 25 Family Day. Adults \$7 Children 12 and under \$4. Face painting, food and games

Oct. 31 Halloween at the maze. Games and treats. Open 7 p.m. to 12 p.m.

Directions: Take Hwy. 203 to Medical Springs. At mile marker 26, turn on Blue Mt. Ridge Road, go a half-mile and turn right on Houghton Creek Rd. Go 2 miles.

Maze is on left.

Call 541-853-2358

or go to www.valsveggies.com for more information.



I-84 restrictions eased

Beginning September 28, 2015, the restrictions on I-84 between MP 245.85 and MP 254.40 EB & WB have eased, due to the near completion of the I-84 Kamela Interchange - 2nd Street Xing (La Grande) Project. This

three-year project included resurfacing the freeway, adding and enhancing chain-up areas, upgrading median barriers, performing corrective work for rock fall areas, and adding a truck climbing lane for westbound traffic along the

Spring Creek grade near MP 247.

I-84 eastbound is restricted to 14 feet 00 in. in width. Mobile homes with eaves are allowed, provided the base width does not exceed 14 feet 00 in. in width. Loads wider than 14 feet 00 in. in width may be accommodated through the work zone on a case-by-case basis. Contact the Over-Dimension Permits Unit at 503-373-0000 for information.

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The trailer length, overall length, and passing restrictions are no longer in place. The estimated date of completion of the project is November 1, 2015.

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