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## County considers OR 'cap & trade'

The Wasco County Board of Commissioners will consider Senate Bill 1530, or cap and trade, at 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, at the county courthouse, 511 Washington St., suite 302.

The commission will consider supporting, opposing or taking no position on the controversial legislation currently under consideration by the state legislature.

At least 24 counties have adopted resolutions opposing cap and trade, or SB1530, including the Eastern Oregon Counties Association, which includes Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Klamath, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla and Wallowa counties, according to the Oregon Senate Republicans office.

Options before the commission will be to support the bill, oppose it, or take no stand.

## Understanding the legislation

■ By Claire Withycombe and Jake Thomas  
Oregon Capital Bureau

SALEM — The arguments and critiques are flying across the state about Senate Bill 1530, Oregon's plan to set limits on—and shrink—the state's greenhouse gas emissions.

Proponents of the program say it's needed in the face of federal inaction on climate change, which is already affecting the state.

Opponents say it would do little to solve climate change while increasing costs for consumers across the state and particularly damaging Oregon's rural economy.

The legislation, which is dozens of pages and has been amended repeatedly, has many moving parts. The bill is expected to make fuel, natural gas and other carbon-intensive energy sources more expensive. Proponents say that will spur efficiencies and innovations that could cause energy prices to drop.

The Oregon Capital Bureau consulted energy and climate policy experts and reviewed state and federal reports and analyses to cut

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## Mardi Gras



Main Street took over the Civic Auditorium ballroom Saturday night with a "March Merch Madness Kick Off" fundraiser, "Mardi Gras—A Chefs Choice Dinner." The event featured music, dinner and a benefit auction, all in support of the The Dalles Main Street program. Participating restaurants included Duck Wall Fruit Co., Petite Provence, SweetHeart Bakery, Barge Way Pub, Zim's Brau Haus, Lilo's BBQ, Last Stop Saloon and Kainos Coffee. The 21-and-over event was well attended. Pictured above left is Heather Fernandez of the Civic, shaking a drink. Above right, at top, Jewel Woolsey of The Dalles laughs as she orders a drink, and below her, Phil Swaim of Mosier "pecks" out a drink as well.

Mark B. Gibson photo

## Plaques honor medal recipients

■ By Mark Gibson  
The Dalles Chronicle

In 2017, The Dalles and Hood River were each designated by the Oregon State Legislature as a "Medal of Honor City" as petitioned by the Bend Heroes Foundation.

The Foundation also successfully petitioned that U.S. Highway 20 be designated the "Oregon Medal of Honor Highway," much like Interstate 84 has been designated the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway.

Oregon's Medal of Honor recipients were connected with 12 cities—additional cities include Agness, Bend, Corvallis, Eugene, Jordan Valley, Medford, Oakridge, Portland, Richland and Salem. A 13th city, McMinnville, has since been added.

The Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States government. It is conferred upon members of the Armed Forces who "distinguish themselves by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty during combat with an enemy of our nation."

The Dalles was home to the late U.S. Navy veteran Harry D. Fadden

and the late U.S. Army veteran Loren R. Kaufman, both Medal of Honor recipients.

In February, the city received plaques with the request they be displayed in a "prominent indoor location in The Dalles." The four plaques name the city as a "Medal of Honor City," display Kaufman's and Fadden's framed photos and Medal of Honor citations, as well as a framed copy of the legislation and a title plaque.

The plaques were provided by the non-profit Bend Heroes Foundation at no cost to the city. The Bend foundation was instrumental in getting the legislation adopted.

The plaques were presented to the city by Mayor Rich Mays and Councilor Rod Runyon.

"The Dalles is honored to have two recipients of the Medal of Honor," said Runyon, who read the citations before the council.

The first was Fadden, who received the award in 1903 while on board the U.S.S. Adams for "gallantry, rescuing O.C. Hawthorne, landsman for training, from drowning at sea" on June 30, 1903.

Runyon said that in falling overboard, Hawthorne struck his head and was knocked unconscious. Fadden, who witnessed the fall, immediately dove overboard and



Framed photos of U.S. Army veteran Loren R. Kaufman, above left, and U.S. Navy veteran Harry D. Fadden, above right, with their Medal of Honor citations will be part of a "Medal of Honor City" display in The Dalles.

Contributed photos

swam to his rescue, holding the unconscious sailors' head above water until the ship could return for them.

Kaufman was awarded the medal on Feb. 10, 1950 for his actions Sept. 4-5, 1950, near Yongsan, Korea.

According to the citation, "Sfc. Kaufman distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action."

While moving to reinforce another unit, "Sfc. Kaufman, running forward, bayoneted the lead scout

and engaged the column in a rifle and grenade assault," causing the enemy to retreat in confusion.

Kaufman then led three additional assaults over the two day period. "The dauntless courage and resolute intrepid leadership of Sfc. Kaufman were directly responsible for the success of his company in regaining its position," the citation reads.

The VA Clinic at the Oregon Veterans Home in The Dalles is named after Kaufman.

## TD Mayor to seek second 2-year term

■ By Mark Gibson  
The Dalles Chronicle

The Dalles Mayor Rich Mays will seek a second two-year term as mayor in November.

"I want to continue, to follow up on some of what has been started," Mays said. "Two years isn't a very long time."

Mays cited continued funding for street repair and addressing issues with the city's sidewalks being non-compliant with the American Disabilities Act as ongoing projects, and said he hopes to continue his support of beautification citywide, as well as an initiative to place art in public areas throughout the city that is still in its infancy.

There are new projects he would like to take on as well, he said. One



Mayor Rich Mays

is to create a business retention effort. "Tourism and visitors are

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## Historic Highway closed through Feb. 28

### Crews removing loose rock in the Oneonta Tunnel area

The Historic Columbia River Highway is closed through Feb. 28 as rockfall work is underway near the Oneonta Tunnel east of Multnomah Falls, according to the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).

The 2017 Eagle Creek Fire badly damaged the tunnel, a part of the Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail. The rockfall work is needed to begin the process of repairing and reopening



Highway 30 east of Multnomah Falls will be closed through Feb. 28 as loose rocks are removed from the cliffs around Oneonta Tunnel.

the tunnel.

Crews began scaling the hillsides adjacent to the tunnel to bring down loose rocks on

Sunday, Feb. 23. This will reduce the threat of rockfalls and help

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