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Silverton City Council opens recruitment for Council vacancy

In a Special Meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017, the Silverton City Council voted to hold an open recruitment and accept applications to fill the vacant seat on the City Council. Applications will be received by the City Manager's office through Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 12:00 noon. Interviews will be conducted by the City Council during their Regular Meeting on Monday, April 3, 2017 and may be continued to a future meeting if necessary. The term of the vacant seat will expire in January 2019. Interested candidates must meet the minimum qualifications included in the application packet to be eligible for the position. The time and place of the meeting may be subject to change, depending on the number of applications received. Applications are available online at www.silverton.or.us/citycouncilapp. For more information on the City Council, please visit the City website at www.silverton.or.us/citycouncil. You may also contact the City Clerk at 503-874-2216 or lfigueroa@silverton.or.us.
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CITY OF SILVERTON SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The City is looking for volunteers to serve on Environmental Management Committee. The City of Silverton is seeking two volunteers who would like to serve on the Environmental Management Committee (EMC). Two candidates will be appointed by the City Council in May. The term for the first position will expire in January 2019 and the term for the second position will expire in January 2020. As an Advisory Committee, the EMC makes recommendations to the Council on issues regarding solid waste management, recycling, environmental issues, and other similar matters. Please visit the City website at www.silverton.or.us/emc for volunteer requirements, and more information about the Committee responsibilities. Applications must be submitted online by Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at www.silverton.or.us/emcapp. If you have any questions please contact Lisa Figueroa, City Clerk, at 503-874-2216 or via e-mail at lfigueroa@silverton.or.us.
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Silverton Tourism Promotion Committee Grants available
Funding available for organizations promoting tourism in Silverton

The City of Silverton Tourism Promotion Committee is accepting grant applications for projects from local organizations promoting tourism in Silverton. Funding may be granted to eligible projects such as Capital Improvement Projects, or Special Events. Applications will be reviewed by the Tourism Promotion Committee, and then forwarded to the Silverton City Council for recommendation of approval. **Applications must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm, on Friday April 28, 2017** to the Community Development Department at City Hall located at 306 S. Water St., Silverton, OR. You may access the application on the City website at www.silverton.or.us/tpcgrantapp. For more information about the Tourism Promotion Committee, please visit www.silverton.or.us/tpc. If you have any questions regarding the grant cycle, please contact Community Development Director, Jason Gottgetreu at 503-874-2212 or igottgetreu@silverton.or.us.
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Migrant workers harvest strawberries at a farm near Oxnard, Calif.

JOE KLAMAR, AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Agricultural panel talks specialty crops, farm labor problems

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WASHINGTON — An Agriculture subcommittee hearing on specialty crops veered into a discussion of farm labor and immigration policy Thursday with one multi-state farm produce company witness saying an adequate, legal labor force is the industry's "most pressing issue."

About 150,000 seasonal guest workers a year receive Department of Labor H-2A visas, or about 10% of what is required, said James Field, director of business development at Illinois-based Frey Farms, which produces fresh fruits and vegetables in seven states.

"The reality is this: The vast majority of the nation's foreign-born farm workers do not have proper work authorization and the emphasis on enforcement, without an accompanying, effective, legal guest-worker program, puts our industry in jeopardy," he said.

Chairman Rodney Davis, R-Ill., noted that immigration policy is not under the jurisdiction of the subcommittee on biotechnology, horticulture and research, which is considering a major reauthorization of the farm bill. Nonetheless, both California Democrats on the sub-

committee, Jim Costa and Jimmy Panetta, raised it as a necessary concern. Costa noted that 70% of the agricultural work force in California is undocumented.

Witness Sean Gilbert, general manager of Gilbert Farms in Washington state, which produces apples, pears and cherries, also raised the issue.

"While not traditionally a topic addressed by the farm bill, I cannot address the impact of federal policies on specialty crop growers without mentioning the need for a stable, legal workforce," he said. "We need a guest worker program that is affordable, reliable and reasonable, and that provides a pathway to legal status for the current workforce so that this expertise is not lost."

The current controversy over the latest immigration enforcement executive order from the Trump White House, and ongoing enforcement raids, were not directly referenced at the hearing but were clearly the subtext of the discussion.

Costa said farm workers are under "major stress," and Panetta, hailing from what he called "the salad bowl" along California's Central Coast, said that, even during the five-year drought, the No. 1 issue for his farmer constituents was the labor force.

"I believe more people need to realize that specialty crops and immigration and labor go hand in hand," he said.

Panetta said the reliance on manual labor "stunted us when it came to mechanization." He said when he sees mechanical equipment in Salinas Valley fields and asks where it was made, he often learns it's from Spain or Portugal, countries that have addressed their farm-labor shortages.

Field agreed that a good research topic for agriculture would be how to be less reliant on manual labor, and said tying Salinas Valley farmers to Silicon Valley technology expertise could create a pioneering "ag-tech" field. He also urged the committee to consider having the H-2A visa program administered by USDA rather than DOL.

The hearing also featured witnesses calling for more research on pests and diseases, especially the citrus greening disease decimating Florida citrus. Witnesses also advocated for expanding marketing programs, especially the Market Access Program expanding sales overseas. Costa pointed out that specialty crops are not unusual or "exotic," but "part of everyday's good nutrition."

Oregon bill would regulate emissions from dairy facilities

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Should air contaminant emissions from large dairies be tracked and regulated in Oregon?

A legislative task force concluded in July 2008 that they should.

The Legislature didn't implement the recommendation, and dairy industry officials say voluntary actions are better than regulations.

But a proposal for a new mega-dairy in Eastern Oregon has prompted legislators to take a second look.

A Senate committee held a public hearing March 9 on SB 197, which would require the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission to adopt a program for regulating air contaminants from dairy confined animal feeding operations.

In Oregon, dairies and other confined animal feeding operations must obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, which details how manure will be stored and disposed of.

There are no rules, however for air emissions.

Dairies have the potential to emit ammonia, hydrogen sulfide, methane, nitrogen oxides, volatile organic compounds and particulate matter, according to the task force report.

Those can pose a health hazard to neighbors and contribute to climate change and acid rain.

In 2005, researchers found elevated concentrations of ammonia and other nitrogen compounds in Oregon's eastern Columbia Gorge. They identified Boardman's Threemile Canyon Farms, one of the nation's largest dairies, with about 70,000 animals, as a possible source.

More recently, high levels of ozone were recorded in the Hermiston and Tri-Cities, Washington area, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality has reported.



An aerial view of Threemile Canyon Farms. Another mega-dairy is proposed just east of the operation.

FRIENDS OF FAMILY FARMERS

Environmental groups worry that a proposed 30,000-animal dairy nearby will worsen air quality. The proposed Lost Valley Ranch would be located on 7,000 acres near Threemile Canyon Farms.

Oregon regulators received more than 4,200 comments on the dairy's proposed NPDES permit. They are finalizing their response to those comments, Wym Matthews, Oregon Department of Agriculture CAFO program manager, said.

The bill's supporters say Oregon should not have weaker standards than neighboring states, or it will attract "bad actors" from other states.

California passed a law last year that requires the state to cut methane emissions from dairy cows and other animals by 40 percent by 2030. Some dairy owners there have threatened to pack up and move to states with looser regulations.

Opponents, including Threemile Canyon Farms, say the bill is unne-

cessary.

"The industry has done a tremendous amount of work to solve the problems through voluntary best management practices," said Leonard Bergstein, president of Northwest Strategies, a Portland political consulting firm that lobbies for Threemile Canyon Farms. "That happens at such a more rapid pace than anything that can be done in the rulemaking process."

Bergstein said he will present research at the hearing that will show that large dairies don't contribute to air pollution.

"The causes of air quality problems in Oregon have to do with wood stoves, urban congestion, power plants, and industrial activity in China and Canada," Bergstein said. "The science should be the thing that drives the policy here, not some sort of ideology against large dairies."

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