

Snow

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hills, Coast Range and Oregon Coast — are open. But it's always a roll of the dice in the higher-elevations in late May, said Heather Isben with Mount Hood National Forest.

Historically, it was common for snowpack to linger deep into Oregon's summer. But recent warm and dry springs have led to camping opening much sooner than in the past.

"We look at a mix of public expectations and average weather patterns for opening campgrounds," Isben said. "Every year we do our best to pick a good projected open date — we don't plan to open in March, for example. But sometimes we have delays like this year, because you need time to do all the things a campground needs from repairs to hiring staff."

Closed campsites

Deschutes National Forest Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District

Cultus Lake Campground (under assessment — may open if annual hazard tree removal can be completed by 5/27)

- Elk Lake Campground
- Lava Lake Campground
- Little Cultus Campground
- Little Fawn Campground
- Little Lava Lake Campground
- Mallard Marsh Campground
- Point Campground
- Quinn Meadow Horse Camp
- Soda Creek Campground
- South Campground (Hosmer Lake)

Crescent Ranger District

Contorta Flat Campground
Contorta Point Group Camp
Crescent Lake Campground (under assessment — may open if annual hazard tree removal can be completed by 5/27)

- Princess Creek Campground
- Simax Group Camp
- Spring Campground
- Trapper Creek Campground
- Whitefish Horse Camp
- Windy Group Camp

Sisters Ranger District

Three Creek Meadow Campground and Horse Camp
Whispering Pines Horse Camp

Mount Hood National Forest

- Frog Lake Campground
- Trillium Campground



Late season snow has kept some campgrounds closed including some near Mount Hood.

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Still Creek Campground
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FORM OR-ED-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Mt Angel School District Board will be held on June 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm at 590 E College St Mt Angel, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 as approved by the Mt Angel School District Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 730 E Marquam St Mt Angel, OR between the hours of 8 a.m., and 4 p.m., or online at www.masd91.org. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year. If different, the major changes and their effect on the budget are:

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2020-2021	Adopted Budget This Year 2021-2022	Approved Budget Next Year 2022-2023
1. Beginning Fund Balance.....	1,857,712	1,390,965	1,660,443
2. Current Year Property Taxes, other than Local Option Taxes..	2,146,947	2,220,107	2,254,969
3. Current Year Local Option Property Taxes.....	0	0	0
4. Other Revenue from Local Sources.....	309,569	662,798	607,078
5. Revenue from Intermediate Sources.....	38,109	45,300	6,500
6. Revenue from State Sources.....	7,632,543	8,597,022	8,051,958
7. Revenue from Federal Sources.....	1,023,851	833,190	1,519,432
8. Interfund Transfers.....	316,489	198,527	178,424
9. All Other Budget Resources.....	0	500	500
10. Total Resources.....	13,325,220	13,948,409	14,279,304

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
11. Salaries.....	4,854,618	4,904,451	5,115,624
12. Other Associated Payroll Costs.....	3,283,388	3,403,216	3,730,618
13. Purchased Services.....	919,134	1,327,117	1,223,910
14. Supplies & Materials.....	697,632	1,360,433	1,062,703
15. Capital Outlay.....	24,487	41,404	46,404
16. Other Objects (except debt service & interfund transfers)...	1,139,428.07	288,482	465,051
17. Debt Service.....	923,895.37	943,899	996,308
18. Interfund Transfers.....	316,489	196,615	175,531
19. Operating Contingency.....	0	1,057,736	1,035,817
20. Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance & Reserves.....	0	425,056	427,338
21. Total Requirements.....	12,159,071	13,948,409	14,279,304

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY FUNCTION			
Function	FTE for Function		
1000 Instruction	5,860,017	6,366,846	6,813,166
FTE	52.15	46.52	48.74
2000 Support Services	3,838,818	4,466,433	4,313,581
FTE	26.54	24.92	25.92
3000 Enterprise & Community Service	469,852	498,824	524,563
FTE	4.25	4.28	4.31
4000 Facility Acquisition & Construction	0	0	0
FTE	0	0	0
5000 Other Uses	358,86	35,886	63,295
5100 Debt Service*	1,638,009	908,013	933,013
5200 Interfund Transfers*	316,489	189,615	168,531
6000 Contingency	0.00	1,057,736	1,035,817
7000 Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance	0	425,056	427,338
Total Requirements	12,159,071	13,948,409	14,279,304
Total FTE	91.915	75.72	78.965

* Not included in total 5000 Other Uses. To be appropriated separately from other 5000 expenditures.

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
	Rate or Amount Imposed	Rate or Amount Imposed	Rate or Amount Approved
Permanent Rate Levy(Rate Limit 4.6268 Per \$1000)	4.6268	4.6268	4.6268
Local Option Levy.....			
Levy for General Obligation Bonds	931526	923287	928829

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
Long Term Debt	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1	Estimated Debt Authorized, but not Incurred on July 1
General Obligation Bonds.....	6,491,038	
Other Bonds.....	1,585,000	
Other Borrowings.....	25,476	
Total.....	8,101,514	

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FORM UR-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Silverton Urban Renewal Agency will be held on June 20, 2022 at 6:30 pm located at Silverton High School Library-1456 Pine Street and using the Zoom web conference platform per House Bill 2560 and City of Silverton Resolution 22-06. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 as approved by the Silverton Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee. Any person may attend the meeting. Written comments are encouraged to be submitted by mail, City drop box or email to finance@silverton.or.us. Written comments will need to be received by the City no later than 3:00 PM on June 20, 2022. Additional meeting information will be available on the City's website at www.silverton.or.us. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained online at: www.silverton.or.us. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as used the preceding year.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2020-2021	Adopted Budget This Year 2021-2022	Approved Budget Next Year 2022-2023
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	1,645,485	2,273,348	1,129,297
All Other Resources Except Division of Tax & Special Levy	51,988	32,696	20,725
Revenue from Division of Tax	807,633	778,187	951,070
Total Resources	2,505,106	3,084,231	2,101,092

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Materials and Services	3,803	15,600	16,000
Capital Outlay	481,410	2,668,631	1,770,092
Contingencies		400,000	315,000
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance	2,019,893		
Total Requirements	2,505,106	3,084,231	2,101,092

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding July 1, 2022	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1
Other Borrowings	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0

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Actually, this is my fifth or sixth attempt at writing a last column during the course of two weeks.

I've done drafts of "career in review," "highlights and lowlights," and other roundup-style formats.

I finally came to the conclusion that those who have read me over the decades know all about it, warts and all. And those who haven't read the articles and columns won't have a clue what I'm yammering about.

Doing the math, and deducting a year for the time between retirement 1.0 on Oct. 30, 2015, and return to part-time active duty in 2016, it adds up to about 1,300 weekly outdoor columns.

The late Hall of Famer Ted "the Splendid Splinter" Williams once said that "baseball is the only field of endeavor where a man can succeed three times out of 10 and be considered a good performer."

I'm hoping that forgiving readers will give me the same leeway.

An ink-stained wretch

All-in-all, it's been a pretty sweet ride.

My dad used to say that the best thing about teaching is the job was different every day.

That analogy applies in spades to being among what used to be referred

to as the "ink-stained wretches" of the press corps.

The ink stains are gone in the digital age, as are the darkrooms, enlargers and chemical baths for film.

But the people, both in the press corps and among the public, remain largely the same.

The former are still a dedicated cadre of truth-tellers and fact-checkers. The largest humiliation coming when you have to write a correction or, god help you, a retraction.

Like being a scientist, which was my first ambition in college, the truth matters above all else for print journalists.

Truth be told, the greatest joy in my career as a column-writer was making someone famous, however briefly.

There have been times when a laminated article in a frame about a big fish, an accomplishment, or even a restaurant review, is displayed on the wall of a sporting goods store, a home, or a hot dog emporium with my byline on it.

All treasured McNuggets of a personal history.

When it comes to a reason for being, it doesn't get better than that.

When starting out at a small weekly — we used to say, tongue in cheek, that we "published weakly" — there was a mantra among the three-person writing staff: "Why the hell would anyone want to read this?"

Making it personal, making it interesting, simply making it worth

reading became the credo.

And that's always been the goal.

Like the Splendid Splinter, the hope is that the columns and the articles measured up a good portion of the time.

Everyone has a story to tell.

And if you dig hard enough, almost all of them are worth telling if you do it in a compelling way.

Column No. 1

If I may be allowed a digression, I'd like to tell you about the first outdoor column that I ever wrote at that little weekly in Southern California almost a half-century ago.

It was a story about a motley group of retirees who gathered most days to tell lies and fish, mostly in vain, for halibut off the Goleta Pier.

The central character in the piece was Louie, a retired railroad worker from Louisiana, which he called Loooz-E-anna in his shoofty pie-thick Southern drawl.

Thinking back, he also referred to the fish that he was pursuing as "halibuth."

I digress. Post-retirement, Louie had been coaxed to move to Goleta by his son who worked at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Reader reviews about the inaugural column were mixed.

Crickets from the readers, and near tears of gratitude from Louie for the acknowledgment that his life and experiences were a story worth telling.

That intimate, personal Studs Terkel-like experience of telling everyman's story has kept me hooked on doing it ever since.

Thanks, Louie. And thanks to you all for the memories.

As I said, it's been a sweet ride.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Live your life as if someone is going to write about it, and your mother gets to edit the draft.

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