

Recovery Act funds forest health initiatives

Oregon will receive more than \$17 million from the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to protect forests on its south coast and in the state’s southern, central and eastern portions from wildfires, invasive species and disease outbreaks.

The announcement was made by U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley (both D-Ore.) in their “continuing efforts to create jobs for Oregonians.”

Said Wyden, “Oregon’s forests are among the most important natural resources we have. We have an enormous backlog of forests that need to be restored, and this funding will employ hard-working Oregonians to do it.

“By funding projects that reduce wildfire risk, stop diseases from spreading and reduce populations of harmful insects, we will bring jobs back to the forest and protect our natural treasures at the same time.”

Added Merkley, “These funds will create jobs for lo-

cal residents at a time when they need them most, helping keep our forests healthy from disease and pests and protecting surrounding communities from the threat of wildfire.

“Creating jobs through sustainable forest practices is exactly the kind of win-win for the short-term and long-term that will make a real difference in the lives of Oregonians,” Merkley stated.

The funding will be used for projects in some of the hardest-hit areas of the state where the forests can provide real employment opportunities. Among these projects are \$1 million for forestwide thinning and \$3.6 million for collaborative restoration projects in Grant County.

The funding also will help fight invasive species such as the Opine Beetle in Deschutes County and other plant species throughout large parts of the state.

Wyden noted that as chairman of the Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee’s Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests,

he has focused on implementing sustainable forestry management that will improve the health of the forests and bolster the economy of surrounding communities. These projects complement those efforts, he said.

The following funding is exclusively for Oregon:

- *Collaborative Restoration Forest Health Support Contracts; \$3,630,000 for Deschutes County.
- *Sudden Oak Death Host Reduction; \$2,692,000 for Curry County.
- *Northeast Oregon Forest Health Block Grant; \$2,243,000 for Baker, Morrow, Umatilla, Union and Wallowa counties.
- *Ashland Forest Resiliency and Timber Stand Improvement; \$2 million for Jackson County.
- *Opine Beetle Risk Reduction; \$1.89 million for Deschutes County.
- *NEO Ecosystem/Riparian Restoration; \$1,795,000 for Baker County.
- *Terrestrial Habitat Enhancement, Botany and Wild-

life (Meadows); \$1.4 million for Coos, Curry, Jackson and Josephine counties.

- *Forestwide Thinning; \$1 million for Grant County.
- *Native Conifer and Non-Conifer Seed Collection and Production for Restoration Projects; \$400,000 for Baker County.
- *ODA National Forest Invasive Plant Control & Management; \$269,000 for Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Umatilla, Union and Wallowa counties.
- *Linn County Forest Health; \$113,000 for Linn County.

The following will be shared with other states:

- *Research on Restoring Critical Habitat for Listed Pacific Salmon; \$2,240,000 for Siskiyou County in California and Benton County in Oregon.
- *Forests Adapting To and Mitigating Climate Change Effects; \$1,795,000 for Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington.

For more information about the individual projects mentioned, as well as a full listing of the ARRA funding released from the U.S. Forest Service, visit <http://fs.usda.gov/recovery>.



TIPS FOR MANAGING YOUR BUSINESS TO SURVIVE IN A RECESSION

Although smart business strategies are important in any economic situation, the current weak economy makes sound business decisions critical. Your small business can take several steps to maintain your stability in the current economic environment.

Don’t panic. Don’t assume the sky is falling. Remain confident to employees and customers. With continued hard work, planning, and perhaps some tough decisions, you will survive.

Communicate. Share information about your positioning in the weak economy. Let customers, vendors, and employees know that you are on top of the situation and making changes to sustain your business.

Evaluate your budget. Identify how close your business is to meeting revenue and expenditure budgets. Calculate how much of a revenue drop your business can absorb and for how long. Review all expenses, and remember that any expense can be reduced over the long term.

Monitor cash flow. Monitor cash flow by updating your cash needs month-by-month. Also look ahead for up to three years. Consider renewing your credit line now, rather than waiting until the renewal date.

Don’t forget customer service. With much of your focus on the recession, be sure not to forget your customers. Now is a great time to review all aspects of your customer interactions, analyzing how best to convert those contacts into opportunities to enrich the relationships. Look at all of your business functions, including marketing, sales, finance, delivery, support, and service, to take full advantage of all customer contact points.

Add price points. While recessionary pressures may make you feel that you should cut your prices, try to resist. In most cases, doing so simply lowers your profits now and devalues your products and services in the future. Rather than lowering your prices, look for new ways to offer your products and concentrate on differentiation. For example, revise your packaging, reformat your products, or reconfigure your offerings to add more value.

For assistance with any management issues in your business, give us a call.

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your warnings.” If he had, Peterson said, he probably would have ended up with a pacemaker months ago.

“I had no idea I had heart trouble,” he said.

Peterson, who will turn 72 next month, has spent much of the last month recovering from his fall and result-

ing pacemaker installation. He has yet to attend any I.V. Lions Club functions, but said that he plans to step up those and other activities, as his health allows.

But Peterson has sworn off getting behind the wheel of a car for the time being.

“I won’t even attempt to drive until everything’s

cleared up,” he said.

Sue Peterson said that she has been overwhelmed at the level of support her family has received from the community at large, and appreciates every last bit of it.

“It’s been a wonderful experience in that sense,” she said. “The good Lord has been good to us.”

Obituary

Mary Grace Schieber

Mary Grace Schieber, 97, of Grants Pass, died Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2009 at Three Rivers Community Hospital in Grants Pass.

No services are planned. Hull & Hull Funeral Directors is in charge of arrangements.

Condolences can be left in the family guest book at www.since1928hull.com.

Mrs. Schieber was born Jan. 14, 1912 in Chicago, Ill. She attended high school and a stenography trade school in Chicago. She then worked for Lawry’s Tea & Spices for five years. On June 22, 1935 in Chicago, she married Harvey Schieber, and became a homemaker.

Church News

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Many Bible stories tell of Jesus healing people, teaching, etc., and most have relatively clear messages.

Those who have read or heard the story of Jesus and the children in Mark, Chapter 10, may regard this as one of those. But perhaps there is a message missed by many.

Mark says, “And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed

them.” Jesus is beckoning the children to make them whole, to cure those that are sick and to demonstrate to the adults present that these are truly the ones, “...that the kingdom of God belongs.”

Calendar: Tuesdays, 3:17 p.m., Confirmation studies; Thursdays, 4 p.m., Good Shepherd Singers rehearse; Sundays, 9:15 a.m., All-Comers Sunday School; 10 a.m., worship and Communion.

In 1972 she moved from California to Cave Junction where she lived for some 30 years. In 2001 she moved from Cave Junction to Grants Pass.

She was a member of Jehovah’s Witnesses Congregation since 1959; a member of the Cave Junction Congregation since 1972; and the Grants Pass Congregation for the past several years.

Her hobbies included reading, cooking, quilting, gardening and sharing her faith with others.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Elliott, of Gold Hill, and June O’Grady of Grants Pass; two sons, Cedric Schieber, of Oregon, and David Schieber, of Santa Rosa, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey Schieber in 2004; a daughter, Myrna Bernstein, in 1995; and a grandson, Brad Rosenberg, in 1989.

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