

Lane County Herbicide Spray Schedule

• Manasha Forest Management Services (688-1900) will ground spray 2,610 acres with Triclopyr Ester; and Arsenal herbicides plus oil for Rosboro Lumber Company (746-8411) near Deadwood between Deadwood Creek Road and West Fork Road, and near Greenleaf-Deadwood (Lake, Hula, Chappell and Johnston Creeks) above Highway 36 starting April 16th or earlier if granted a waiver of waiting period by OR Dept. of Forestry (No. 50397).

• Call OR Dept. of Forestry: Ole Buch at 935-2283 or Jim Hall at 997-8713.

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killing marine life.

A poll on Adams' blog shows that 65 percent of Portlanders feel that Portland should "enact a ban and only allow the use of biodegradable plastic bags."

Internationally, Bangladesh, South Africa, Rwanda, Zanzibar, the island of Corsica and the Indian state of Maharashtra (which includes Mumbai, the most populous city in India) have also instituted bans on the use of plastic bags. Paris, parts of Western Canada and south Australia are also considering bans. Ireland instituted a 15 cent "plastax" on plastic bags in 2002, which cut their use by 90% and has raised millions of euros in revenue, according to the *Christian Science Monitor* and other press sources.

While Eugene does not have a policy on the use of plastic grocery bags, locally-owned PC Market of Choice offers 5 cents back for reusing bags, as does Sundance Natural Foods. Sundance does not provide plastic bags for its customers and said the store sells cloth bags at a low mark-up to encourage their use. Customers using their own cloth bags also receive 5 cents back.

In 2005, a 15 cent tax on each plastic bag used by a consumer at a grocery store, convenience store, service station or other retail grocery outlet was proposed in the Oregon House of Representatives. However, according to the Northwest Grocery Association website, the group "firmly opposed the bill and worked with key members of the House Revenue Committee to keep the bill from moving forward." — *Camilla Mortensen*

NO POLICE REVIEW FOR CYCLIST

A Critical Mass cyclist says the formation of a Civilian Review Board will not provide closure to his concerns with the conduct of the Eugene Police Department (EPD).

Josh Schlossberg alleged in an email that as a result of incidents involving EPD officers during Critical Mass bike rides, "I have an injured vertebrae, from police pulling me off my bike and throwing me to the pavement, and an unjust traffic ticket on my previously spotless record."

Schlossberg says he was told that his case is not eligible for review as the new system was not in place at the time he filed his complaint in November 2006.

In 2005, Eugene voters approved the appointment of a police auditor and review board after former police officers Roger Magaña and Juan Lara were convicted of sex crimes. Auditor Cris Beamud was appointed in mid-October of 2006. Along with Beamud, the review board will provide comment on police department investigations into allegations of misconduct by police officers.

However, the ordinance empowering Beamud did not take effect until January 15, 2007. And the city did not appoint the review board until April 9. This is too late for Schlossberg. By the time Beamud and the review board are in place, the six-month statute of limitations on complaints of police misconduct will have run out.

In one of the incidents involving Schlossberg, the cyclist alleges Officer Carolyn Mason ticketed him for running a red light after he entered an intersection as the light turned yellow. Schlossberg alleged that when the case was dealt with in Lane County Circuit Court, Officer Mason committed perjury on the stand. However, EPD Internal Affairs conducted an investigation and found the officer did not commit any perjury.

Beamud said that the review board "cannot intake a matter already investigated." She added, "We cannot function as an appeal for a finding from Internal Affairs."

Schlossberg wrote, "I felt I was illegally targeted by the Eugene Police Department (EPD) for participating in Critical Mass bike rides to demonstrate a cyclist's right to the road." — *Camilla Mortensen*

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