

problem was “fire management” and “I’ll cut federal funding,” are appalling.

Anyone that continues to support this person is either a coward, ignorant or both.

Don French  
Eugene

### THE AROMA OF EUGENE

This is a response to the Nov. 15 letter “What’s That Smell?” in the *Eugene Weekly*:

I live in Wilsonville. Two years ago, I found out that there is a huge (8-inch diameter) Kinder Morgan petroleum pipeline running right through the center of this small town.

It was installed in 1962, runs under the Willamette River — three-quarters of a mile upstream from our drinking water treatment facility, and it has a history of leaking into the river, soil and air.

The pipeline pumps 1 million gallons a day of primarily highly explosive jet fuel from Portland, through many towns such as Wilsonville, and ends in Eugene in the Randy Papé Belt Line area between the railroad and the river.

There is a large storage facility located there to distribute the fuel to the nearby trains and to the trucks, which have close access to many highways in that area.

So the contamination in that area is three times worse than in Wilsonville. I’m not at all surprised to hear about propane-like odors in that area.

I researched the Eugene area to let others know that anyone along this pipeline,

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from Portland to Eugene, needs to protect their own health and safety, since none of the authorities are doing so, and also because I’m considering a move to Eugene.

If I do, I would definitely move far away from that area.

For information about this pipeline and Kinder Morgan, visit [shawnoneil.com](http://shawnoneil.com).

Robbie Sesso  
Wilsonville

### CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE

Last week, I completed a day of community service as part of a conviction. We went to the dump to dig trenches and move and cover garbage. One of the piles we had to deal with contained bags, many punctured, with warning labels that these contained asbestos.

We were given gloves to wear but no facemasks or any other protective wear.

The bags said to avoid moving in a manner to kick up dust and agitate the asbestos fibers, while we were instructed to throw and move these bags around.

Maybe it’s just me, but this seems like blatant disregard for our health and safety.

Anonymous  
Eugene

*Editor’s note: EW only prints submissions anonymously if the writer has a concern about personal or family safety or job security.*

### SHOW ME THE SCIENCE

A science column — great idea (Wild-Type, Nov. 8)! And please let us see some research from the University of Oregon, to remind us that the news from that school is about more than football.

Sara van Dyck  
Eugene

### GOOD RIDDANCE

While some folks are upset that Trump did not visit the Arlington National Cemetery on Veterans Day, I was actually pleased that he skipped it. His presence would have desecrated that hallowed ground.

Besides, I suspect his bone spurs were acting up.

Daniel Schlender  
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