

Jordan Cove LNG backers appeal federal permit denial

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The companies backing the Jordan Cove energy project in southern Oregon have appealed a federal decision denying permits needed to move forward.

The Canadian energy firm Veresen and the Williams pipeline company propose to build a natural gas liquefaction facility and export terminal in Coos Bay. Construction of a 230-mile pipeline that will connect the terminal with natural gas supplies in the inland West is being proposed as well.

The companies filed a "request for a rehearing" with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on Friday.

In early March, the commission denied the project, saying backers didn't prove there was a market for the fuel. Consequently, the benefit of the project did not outweigh the negative impacts to private landowners in its path.

Environmental groups cheered the decision, as did some local landowners who fear their property will be taken through eminent domain to make way for the pipeline.

But since the March 11

denial, Jordan Cove has announced preliminary sales deals with two Japanese companies.

"That certainly indicates there's commercial interest and a market for the capacity and for the project itself," said Williams spokesman George Angerbauer.

Federal regulators have several options in front of them. They can grant or deny a rehearing or extend the process timeline. They have 30 days to respond.

Despite the regulatory commission's denial of the project, the companies have continued

moving forward with plans. In addition to pursuing LNG customers abroad, Versen said it has lined up several firms stateside who are interested in using the Pacific Connector Pipeline, which would cross four Oregon counties before linking up with another natural gas line on the Oregon-California border.

Backers also continue to pursue right-of-way deals with private landowners in the proposed pipeline's path — and state permits needed for the project to move forward.

"Through the request for rehearing and this new infor-

mation, I think that we continue to move forward with that project," said Jordan Cove spokesman Michael Hinrichs. "And therefore we would like other agencies to continue moving forward with theirs until FERC reconsiders the project."

These other agencies are where opponents of the project are focusing their most recent organizing efforts. On Tuesday, anti-LNG groups plan to travel to Salem and attend the State Land Board meeting.

"This FERC denial actually gives the state some good guidance for their own deni-

als," said No LNG organizer Apple Goeckner.

The Department of State Lands is considering easement and a "removal-fill" request from the project. No discussion is planned on the State Land Board's meeting agenda.

Goeckner said she believes that federal regulators will hold their ground and stick with the original denial. But they aren't taking any chances.

"We believe for this thing to be dead, we would like the state denials as well," she said.

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Grant County sheriff intends to sue city, its employees

Allegations related to refuge standoff actions

By SEAN HART
Blue Mountain Eagle



Glenn Palmer

JOHN DAY — Sheriff Glenn Palmer has given notice he intends to sue the city of John Day and its employees for a list of allegations stemming from actions related to the occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge.

Palmer's attorney, Benjamin Boyd from Hostetter Law Group in Enterprise, sent a tort claim notice to the city earlier this month that states Palmer will assert claims for damages against the city, John Day dispatch employees, City Manager Peggy Gray and Police Chief Richard Gray. The notice is required before filing a lawsuit against a public body.

In the notice, Boyd said, as Palmer was traveling to a roadblock near Seneca after the law enforcement action Jan. 26 that led to the arrest of most of the occupation leaders and the death of one, city dispatchers falsely determined a passenger with Palmer was a militia member. He said the passenger was actually Grant County District Attorney Jim Carpenter.

Boyd said Palmer asked an unidentified dispatcher

for an update, who "knowingly and/or recklessly" withheld information from Palmer that had been relayed previously to a variety of other law enforcement agencies.

Palmer and Carpenter's lives were in danger, Boyd said, as they proceeded to the police roadblock with officers believing Palmer was traveling with a militia member.

Boyd also alleges the dispatchers breached the contract to "provide appropriate information to authorized personnel" between the city and the sheriff's office.

The notice goes on to list complaints against John Day's dispatch manager, police chief and city manager.

Dispatch manager Valerie Luttrell and Richard Gray both filed complaints against Palmer after the Jan. 26 incident with the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. The state police licensing agency recom-

mended the complaints be investigated by the Oregon Department of Justice, which has opened an investigation.

Boyd said Luttrell's complaints that Palmer "openly shows his support" for the occupiers and "their cause on social media" are false, as is the allegation he was "consorting with" the occupiers. Similarly, he said Richard Gray's complaints that Palmer shows "involvement and support" for the occupiers is false.

Boyd said both city employees consulted with City Manager Peggy Gray before filing the complaints on city letterhead using their official email accounts.

Peggy Gray said the city does not comment on pending litigation.

"This will eventually be resolved in the courtroom — and until there is public resolution, this statement will stand on its own," she said.

Arizona lawmaker drops ban on journalists who refuse checks

Media groups had criticized the move

By BOB CHRISTIE
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PHOENIX — The speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives allowed journalists who refused to submit to extensive background checks back on to the floor of the chamber Tuesday amid pressure from lawmakers and the public over the sudden shift in decades-old policy.

The announcement came five days after Republican House Speaker David Gowan banned reporters who refused to comply with new security rules requiring extensive criminal and civil background checks. He said the checks were needed after several disruptions in public areas in the House and the Capitol.

Media organizations criticized the move, saying it could hinder the ability to hold lawmakers accountable. Journalists covered House floor sessions from the public gallery area in the meantime but lost access to lawmakers.

Journalists who routinely cover the House receive credentials and get access to the chamber's floor through an electronic key card. For decades, there have been desks for them to do their work. When the House isn't in session, reporters can talk to lawmakers and ask ques-

tions about important legislation and other matters. It's a key method for journalists to get to know and understand the positions of lawmakers in both major parties.

While reporters will again be allowed on the floor, Gowan will not restore key-card access that allowed journalists to freely come and go from the chamber, spokeswoman Stephanie Grisham said. Instead, reporters will have to sign in with the chief clerk to get to the floor and sign out when they leave.

She acknowledged the backlash that erupted after the decision to bar reporters.

"He has heard his members, and he has heard the public, and he has compromised," Grisham said of Gowan.

Gowan changed the rules after the Arizona Capitol Times reported in January that the lawmaker was using a state vehicle and collecting per diems while traveling the state to campaign for Congress. Gowan repaid the state more than \$12,000 after the report and took the unusual step of asking the Arizona attorney general to investigate whether he broke the law. He has denied he intentionally misused state resources.

The publisher of the Capitol Times suggested the changes had to do with its investigative journalism that has exposed Gowan to heightened scrutiny. The policy Gowan imposed would bar anyone convicted of a felony

in the past 10 years or misdemeanors within five years. The Capitol Times reporter who discovered Gowan's vehicle use would have been banned because of a minor misdemeanor conviction.

House Democrats in particular publicly criticized the policy, and the Democratic leader said Tuesday that Gowan and Majority Leader Steve Montenegro "created a diversion from doing the work the people and our constituents sent us here to do."

"Obviously, we think it should have never been done in the first place — there was never any risk from a reporter," said Rep. Eric Meyer, the minority leader. "This took us away from the task at hand, which is to address the budget, finish up session, fund our schools and invest in our universities."

But Gowan did not apologize for barring reporters.

"The safety and security of the employees and members who work in the building remain a priority for leadership and me," Gowan wrote in a letter to House members. "I had a duty to everyone who works in the House to act quickly and decisively to provide a safe environment in the wake of the chaotic and potentially dangerous events that you all witnessed on March 28."

That was the day a protester in the public gallery was arrested after a disturbance related to lengthy wait times in Arizona's presidential primary.

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TV LISTINGS

Evening listings
WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY EVENING													APRIL 13		
A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
2	KATU	(2) KATU News at 6		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle (N)	The Goldbergs (N)	Modern Family (N)	Black-ish (N)	Nashville (N)		KATU News at 11	(35) Jimmy Kimmel		
4	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News		Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Middle (N)	The Goldbergs (N)	Modern Family (N)	Black-ish (N)	Nashville (N)		KOMO 4 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel		
5	KING	(5) NBC Nightly News	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	The Voice "The Live Playoffs, Results"	Strong "Welcome to Strong" (P) (N)	Strong "Balls to the Wall" (N)				KING 5 News	(35) Tonight Show		
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN 6 News at 6	CBS Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Survivor "It's Psychological Warfare" (N)	Criminal Minds "Inner Beauty" (N)	C.Minds: Borders "Love Interrupted" (N)				KOIN 6 News @ 11	(35) S.Colbert		
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News	CBS Evening News	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	Survivor "It's Psychological Warfare" (N)	Criminal Minds "Inner Beauty" (N)	C.Minds: Borders "Love Interrupted" (N)				KIRO News	(35) S.Colbert		
9	KGW	(9) KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Trail Blazers	NBA Basketball	Denver Nuggets at Portland Trail Blazers Site: Moda Center -- Portland, Ore. (L)		Strong "Balls to the Wall" (N)				KGW News at 11	(35) Tonight Show		
9	KRCW	(9) KRCW 3	Seinfeld	Modern Family	Modern Family	Arrow "Code of Silence"	Supernatural "The Vessel"	KGW News at 10	(35) Two and Half			(05) Two and Half	(35) King of Hill		
10	KOPB	(10) Journeys Japan (N)	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour		Nature "India's Wandering Lions" (N)	Nova "Can Alzheimer's Be Stopped" (N)	I Remember Better When I Paint				POV "The Genius of Marlan"			
12	KPTV	(12) 6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	Rosewood (N)	Empire "The Tameness of a Wolf" (N)	10 O'Clock News				11 O'Clock News	Loves Ray 2/3		
13	KPDx	(13) Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's 8 O'Clock News on PDX-TV	FOX 12's 9 O'Clock News on PDX-TV	The Closer "Fate Line"				The Closer "Double Blind"			
13	KCPQ	(13) Name Game	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Rosewood (N)	Empire "The Tameness of a Wolf" (N)	Q13 News at 10				Q13 News	Modern Family		
20	TBS	(20) Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan "Conan in Korea"			
22	KZJQ	(22) Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Modern Family	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9				Friends	Friends		
29	ESPN	(29) (5:00) NBA Basketball	Orlando Magic at Charlotte Hornets (L)	NBA Basketball	Utah Jazz at Los Angeles Lakers Site: Staples Center -- Los Angeles, Calif.			SportsCenter				SportsCenter			
30	ESPN2	(30) (4:00) MLB Baseball (L)		Baseball Tonight (L)		NFL Live		Baseball Tonight (L)				NBA Tonight	Jalen & Jacoby (N)	NFL Live	
31	NICK	(31) NickyRickyDicky	Henry Danger	Henry Danger	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	Paradise Run	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends		
32	DISN	(32) Stuck in Middle	K.C. Undercover	Austin & Ally	Stuck in Middle	*** The Emperor's New Groove ('00)	David Spade	Bunk'd	Friends Whenever	Girl Meets World	Girl Meets World	Liv and Maddie	Stuck in Middle		
34	FAM	(34) Movie	*** Save the Last Dance (2000, Drama)	Sean Patrick Thomas, Kerry Washington, Julia Stiles.		*** The Lucky One (2012, Drama)	Taylor Schilling, Blythe Danner, Zac Efron.					The 700 Club			
35	FMC	(35) (5:00) Red Tails ('12)	Cuba Gooding Jr.	(20) *** Red Tails (2012, Action)	Terrence Howard, Nate Parker, Cuba Gooding Jr.		(40) FXM Presents	*** Flight (2012, Drama)	Nadine Velazquez, Carter Cabassa, Denzel Washington.						
36	LIFE	(36) Little Women: LA "The Party Continues"	Little Women: LA "Crossing the Line"	Little Women: LA "Media Frenzy"	Little Women "Ride or Die Wedding" (N)			Terra's Family (N)	Terra's Family (N)	Terra Little Family	Terra Little Family				
38	ROOT	(38) (4:00) MLB Baseball	Texas vs Seattle	Post-game	MLS Soccer FC Dallas at Portland Timbers (L)			Post-game				MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners			
39	F51	(39) Classics "Liddell vs. Couture Trilogy"		UF's Road to the Octagon	UF Unleashed (N)			TMZ Sports (N)	Best I Heard (N)			UEFA Soccer Champions League			
43	SPIKE	(43) Movie	*** National Treasure (2004, Adventure)	Diane Kruger, Justin Bartha, Nicolas Cage.				*** Ender's Game (2013, Sci-Fi)	Abigail Breslin, Harrison Ford, Asa Butterfield.						
44	COM	(44) (20) Futurama	(55) Futurama "Bendin' in the Wind"	(25) Futurama	(55) South Park	(25) South Park		South Park	South Park	Broad City (N)	Broad City (N)	The Daily Show (N)	Nightly Show (N)		
45	HIST	(45) A. Pickers "Traders of the Lost Parts"	Amer. Pickers "The Pickin' or the Egg"	American Pickers "The Maineiacs"	American Pickers "Frank's Birthday"			Pawn Stars (N)	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	(05) Join or Die	Pawn Stars		
46	A&E	(46) The First 48 "Desperate Moves"	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	(55) Duck Dynasty	(25) Duck Dynasty	(55) Duck Dynasty	Donnie Loves J.	Wahlburg "The Fenway Way Back" (N)	Wahlburgers (N)					
47	TLC	(47) My 600-lb Life "Bettie Jo's Story"	My 600-lb Life "Laura's Story"	My 600-lb Life "Christina and Paula" (N)	My 600-lb Life "Zsalyann and Olivia" (N)			Two in a Million "Tiniest Torso" (N)	My 600-lb Life "Zsalyann and Olivia"						
48	DISC	(48) Bering Sea Gold "Payback"	Bering Sea Gold "The Gamble"	Bering Sea: Dredged "Pressure" (N)	Bering Sea Gold "Golden Dreams" (N)			Survivorman: Wild Instincts "Oregon"	Bering Sea Gold "Golden Dreams"						
49	NBC	(49) Catch a Smuggler "Coke in the Coat"	Lockdown "Blood on the Border"	Lockdown "Inside a Mexican Prison"	World's Rough.Prison (N)			Lockdown "Scam City"	Inside the World's Roughest Prisons						
50	TNT	(50) Castle "Overkill"	Castle "A Deadly Game"	Castle "A Deadly Game"	Castle "He's Dead, She's Dead"			Castle "Under the Gun"	Castle "Punked"						
51	AMC	(51) (5:30) *** Lethal Weapon 2 (1989, Action)	Danny Glover, Joe Pesci, Mel Gibson.	*** Lethal Weapon 3 (1992, Action)	Danny Glover, Rene Russo, Mel Gibson.			*** Lethal Weapon 4 (1998, Act)	Danny Glover, Mel Gibson.						
52	USA	(52) (5:00) NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs (L)		NCIS "The Artful Dodger"	NCIS "Status Update"			NCIS "Lost in Translation"	NCIS: Los Angeles "Bounty"						
53	FOOD	(53) Diners, Drive-Ins Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins Diners, Drive-Ins			Rest. "Ambush: Out Of Control" (N)	Mystery Diners (N) Mystery Diners						
54	HGTV	(54) Buying "From Out-Dated to Modern"	Buying "Making Room for the Family"	Property "Luca, Anne and Barbara"	Property Brothers			Property Brothers	Property Brothers						
56	FX	(56) (5:00) Riddick (2013, Sci-Fi)	Karl Urban, Vin Diesel.	*** Thor: The Dark World (2013, Action)	Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Natalie Portman.			The Americans "Clark's Place" (N)	The Americans "Clark's Place"						
57	CNN	(57) Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	Anderson Cooper 360			CNN Newsroom	CNN Newsroom						
58	FNC	(58) The Kelly File with Megyn Kelly	Hannity	Follow Leader (N) Super Rich (N)	Shark Tank			Follow the Leader	Lives-Super Rich	Paid Program	Paid Program				
61	CNCP	(61) Shark Tank		Follow Leader (N) Super Rich (N)	Shark Tank			Follow the Leader	Lives-Super Rich	Paid Program	Paid Program				
63	BRV	(63) Real Housewives "Reunion Part 2" 2/3	Real Housewives "Reunion Part 3" 3/3	New York City Social (N)	*** Nosferatu (22) Alexander Granach, Max Schreck.	(15) *** Faust (1994, Fantasy)	Peter Cepek.								
64	TRM	(64) Movie	From Caligari to Hitler: German Cinema in the Age of the Masses	*** Nosferatu (22) Alexander Granach, Max Schreck.	(15) *** Faust (1994, Fantasy)	Peter Cepek.									
65	SYFY	(65) Face Off "The Art of Warcraft"	Face Off "Skull Island: Reign of Kong"	Face Off "Sinister Showdown" Pt. 1 of 2	Face Off "Sinister Showdown" 2/2 (N)			Internet (SF) (N)	The Internet			Face Off "Sinister Showdown" Pt. 2 of 2			
102	RFD	(102) WesternSport	Noble Outfitters	Dennis Reis Univ	Equestrian Nation	RW Horsemanship	Rural Eve. News	Women's Rodeo	The Final Spin	WesternSport	Noble Outfitters	Product Showcase			

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