

Interior secretary recommends shrinking national monuments

Cascade-Siskiyou among the targets

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WASHINGTON — Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke is recommending that six of 27 national monuments under review by the Trump administration be reduced in size, with changes to several others proposed.

A leaked memo from Zinke to President Donald Trump recommends that two Utah monuments — Bears Ears and Grand Staircase Escalante — be reduced, along with Nevada's Gold Butte and Oregon's Cascade-Siskiyou.

Two marine monuments in the Pacific Ocean also would be reduced under Zinke's memo, which has not been officially released. The Associated Press obtained a copy of the memo, which was first reported by the Wall Street Journal.

Trump ordered the review earlier this year after complaining about improper "land grabs" by former presidents, including Barack Obama.

National monument designations add protections for lands revered for their natural beauty and historical significance with the goal of preserving them for future generations. The restrictions aren't as stringent as for national parks, but some policies include limits on mining, timber cutting and recreational activities such as riding off-road vehicles.

The monuments under review were designated by four presidents over the last two decades. Several are about the size of the state of Delaware, including Mojave Trails in California, Grand-Staircase Escalante in Utah and Bears Ears, which is on sacred tribal land.

No other president has tried to eliminate a monument, but some have trimmed and redrawn boundaries 18 times, according to the National Park Service.

Boundary adjustments

Zinke told The Associated Press last month that unspecified boundary adjustments for some monuments designated over the past four decades will be included in the recommendations submitted to Trump. None of the sites would revert to new ownership, he said, while public access for uses such as hunting, fishing or grazing would be maintained or restored.

He also spoke of protecting tribal interests and historical land grants, pointing to monuments in New Mexico, where Hispanic ranchers have opposed two monuments proclaimed by Obama.

Zinke declined to say whether portions of the monuments would be opened up to oil and gas drilling, mining, logging and other industries for which Trump has advocated. It was not clear from the memo how much energy development would be allowed on the sites recommended for changes, although the memo cites increased public access as a key goal.

A spokeswoman for Zinke referred questions Sunday night to the White House, which did not offer immediate comment.



Bureau of Land Management
The Trump administration may reduce the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument in southern Oregon.

If Trump adopts the recommendations, it would quiet some of the worst fears of his opponents, who warned that vast public lands and marine areas could be lost to states or private interests.

But significant reductions in the size of the monuments, especially those created by Obama, would mark the latest in a string of actions where Trump has sought to erode his Democratic predecessor's legacy.

The recommendations cap an unprecedented four-month review based on Trump's claim that the century-old Antiquities Act had been misused by past presidents to create oversized monuments that hinder energy development, grazing and other uses.

The review raised alarm among conservationists who said protections could be lost for areas that are home to ancient cliff dwellings, towering sequoia trees, deep canyons and ocean habitats. They've vowed to file lawsuits if Trump attempts any changes that would reduce the size of monuments or rescind their designations.

Zinke had previously announced that no changes would be made at six national monuments — in Montana, Colorado, Idaho, California, Arizona and Washington. He also said that Bears Ears monument in Utah should be downsized.

In addition to shrinking six monuments, Zinke recommends changes at several other sites, including two national monuments in New Mexico: Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks and Rio Grande del Norte.

He also recommended changes to Katahdin Woods and Waters in Maine.

'Unprecedented assault'

Jamie Williams, president of the Wilderness Society, said the recommendations apparently made by Zinke "represent an unprecedented assault on our parks and public lands" by the Trump administration.

"This callous proposal will needlessly punish local, predominantly rural communities that depend on parks and public lands for outdoor recreation, sustainable jobs and economic growth," Williams said in a statement.

"We believe the Trump administration has no legal authority to alter or erase protections for national treasures. If President Trump acts in support of these recommendations, The Wilderness Society will move swiftly to challenge those actions in court," Williams said.

NW Natural applies to lower gas rates

The Daily Astorian

PORTLAND — NW Natural has filed for a rate reduction with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon for the third year in a row. If approved, customers can expect to see lower bills starting in November.

NW Natural has requested residential rates be lowered by 6.4 percent and commercial rates by 7.3 percent.

"We're proud to pass cost savings on to our customers while providing the same high-quality service, reliability and safety that they expect,"

NW Natural President and CEO David H. Anderson said in a release. "Once again, our customers will be paying less for their natural gas than they did 15 years ago."

The filing reflects anticipated low natural gas commodity prices for the coming year because of abundant natural gas supplies. The rate changes also include other year-to-year adjustments and costs approved by regulators.

The commission is expected to issue a final decision on this year's filing by the end of October, with new rates

effective Nov. 1.

The rate decrease follows a credit on Oregon customers' June bills. NW Natural returned \$11.6 million to Oregon customers, an average of \$12 a customer. The credits resulted from efficient pipeline capacity management and effective use of the company's underground natural gas storage facility at Mist last year. Oregon customers have received more than \$105 million in bill credits from efficient pipeline and storage capacity over the last 11 years.

OBITUARIES

Kenneth Eddie Lampi

Astoria

Aug. 24, 1922 — Sept. 7, 2017

Kenneth (Ken) Eddie Lampi, 95, a lifetime resident of Clatsop County, passed away on Sept. 7, 2017, in Astoria, Oregon.

Ken was born in Astoria on Aug. 24, 1922, to Eddie and Ailie (Pietila) Lampi. He was raised in the Lewis and Clark area, attended Lewis and Clark Elementary School, and graduated from Astoria High School in 1941. He also attended Santa Rosa Junior College.

He served three years in the Army during World War II with the 1051st Army Engineers in the European Theatre, including in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany.

Ken married Esther June Louise Simonson on Jan. 13, 1951, at Peace Lutheran Church in Astoria. He built their house in Youngs River, where they raised three children and lived for over 60 years, before moving to senior living facilities in recent years.

Before and after serving in the Army, he worked as a logger. Later he worked for Coast Marine Construction as a heavy equipment operator on river-related construction and pile driving projects until retirement. Ken had a Coast Guard tugboat operating license, and after discharge from the Army, obtained a commercial pilot's license.

He was an innovator and inventor, designing and fabricating small articles or mechanisms to ease functions in the house or his work. He also loved woodworking, and built a number of boats for his personal use. Other interests included sports, boating, sturgeon fishing and clam digging. In recent years, he

liked monitoring Columbia River traffic from his room at the Clatsop Care Center. He also enjoyed talking with his grandchildren and keeping track of their locations across the country with a poster he kept in his room.

Ken was a member of Peace Lutheran Church, the Astoria Elks and the Finnish Brotherhood.

Ken is survived by a son, Eugene, and his wife, Yomaira, of Portland; a daughter, June, and her husband, Bruce Day, of Springfield; six grandchildren, Clara, Benjamin (Melissa), Marsha (Dan), Jacob, Ryan (Jordanne) and Alex; one great-grandchild, Scarlett; two step-grandchildren, Staci and Stephani; and two step-great-grandchildren, Parker and Benjamin.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Esther, in 2016; and their son, Donald, in 2001. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017, at 1 p.m., at Bethany Free Lutheran Church, 575 34th St., in Astoria, with a reception following.

A private interment will be at Greenwood Cemetery in Astoria.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Columbia River Maritime Museum or a charity of your choice.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to the staff and residents of the Clatsop Care Center for the care he received, and friendships he enjoyed there over the last few years.

Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.



Kenneth Lampi

DEATH

Sept. 14, 2017

DAVIS, James Paige, 63, of

Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary

in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Sunday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 5-6-8-8

4 p.m.: 5-9-6-8

7 p.m.: 6-2-5-6

10 p.m.: 4-1-5-6

Sunday's Lucky Lines: 01-07-

12-13-08-23-27-31

Estimated jackpot: \$11,000

Saturday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 3-4-3-0

4 p.m.: 9-4-8-4

7 p.m.: 4-1-7-5

10 p.m.: 3-4-8-7

Saturday's Lucky Lines: 02-05-

09-15-17-22-26-32

Estimated jackpot: \$17,000

Saturday's Megabucks: 1-22-

32-33-36-43

Estimated jackpot: \$7.4 million

Saturday's Powerball: 17-18-

24-25-31, Powerball: 24

Estimated jackpot: \$40 million

Friday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 2201

4 p.m.: 0337

7 p.m.: 0115

10 p.m.: 3277

Friday's Lucky Lines: 02-06-11-

13-17-23-26-31

Estimated jackpot: \$16,000

Friday's Mega Millions: 18-24-

34-38-58, Mega Ball: 3

Estimated jackpot: \$94 million

Washington

Sunday's Daily Game: 8-9-3

Sunday's Keno: 01-04-06-08-

12-15-17-24-31-32-34-42-52-

55-57-59-64-68-70-74

Sunday's Match 4: 02-16-19-23

Sunday's Daily Game: 2-0-1

Saturday's Hit 5: 02-07-13-14-33

Estimated jackpot: \$300,000

Saturday's Keno: 02-05-11-27-

36-37-40-43-46-52-56-58-59-61-

66-67-74-76-77-80

Saturday's Lotto: 06-09-13-22-

24-46

Estimated jackpot: \$3.4 million

Saturday's Match 4: 09-13-20-

21

Friday's Daily Game: 8-9-1

Friday's Keno: 03-06-07-09-12-

13-15-16-17-34-36-42-45-46-57-

60-64-75-77-80

Friday's Match 4: 01-10-19-22

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

Ecola Creek Watershed Council, 4:30 p.m., City Hall, 163 E.

Gower St.

Astoria City Council, 7 p.m.,

City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

163 E. Gower St.

Clatsop County Human

Services Advisory Council, 4

to 5:30 p.m., 800 Exchange St.,

Room 430.

Port of Astoria Commission, 5

p.m., 10 Pier 1, Suite 209.

Knappa School Board, 5:15

p.m., Knappa High School library,

41535 Old U.S. Highway 30.

Seaside Planning Commission,

6 p.m., work session, City Hall,

989 Broadway.

Seaside School District Board

of Directors, 6 p.m., 1801 S.

Franklin.

Shoreline Sanitary District

Board, 7 p.m., Gearhart Hertig

Station, 33496 West Lake Lane,

Warrenton.

TUESDAY

Cannon Beach Public Works

Committee, 9 a.m., City Hall,

163 E. Gower St.

Clatsop County Human

Services Advisory Council, 4

to 5:30 p.m., 800 Exchange St.,

Room 430.

Port of Astoria Commission, 5

p.m., 10 Pier 1, Suite 209.

Knappa School Board, 5:15

p.m., Knappa High School library,

41535 Old U.S. Highway 30.

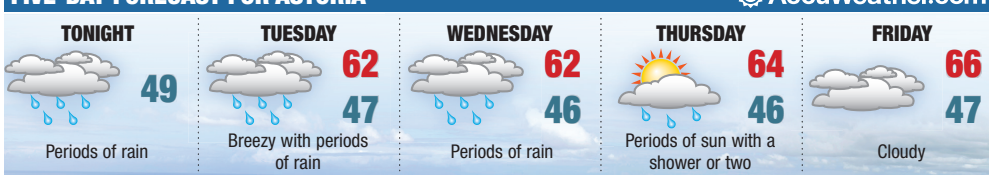
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Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style. Death notices and upcoming services will be published at no charge. Notices must be submitted by 9 a.m. the day of publication.

Obituaries and notices may be submitted online at www.dailyastorian.com/forms/obits, by email at ewilson@dailyastorian.com, placed via the funeral home or in person at The Daily Astorian office, 949 Exchange St. in Astoria. For more information, call 503-325-3211, ext. 257.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



ALMANAC

Astoria through Sunday.

Temperatures

High/low 61°/49°

Normal high/low 68°/49°

Record high 86° in 1991

Record low 36° in 1965

Precipitation

Sunday 0.12"

Month to date 0.33"

Normal month to date 1.04"

Year to date 50.39"

Normal year to date 39.14"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 7:21 p.m.

Sunrise Tuesday 6:59 a.m.

Moonrise today 5:04 a.m.

Moonset today 6:53 p.m.

New First Full Last

Sep 19 Sep 27 Oct 5 Oct 12

UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Before sunrise, moon, Mercury and Mars within 1.8 circle.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time High Time Low

12:59 a.m. 8.5 ft. 7:34 a.m. -0.8 ft.

1:45 p.m. 8.4 ft. 7:50 p.m. 0.3 ft.

NATIONAL CITIES

Today Tues.

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Atlanta 87 67 s 88 70 s

Boston 72 62 c 68 63 d

Chicago 78 64 pc 79 66 pc

Denver 83 55 s 85 47 pc

Des Moines 73 62 c 85 71 pc

Detroit 76 59 pc 78 64 sh

El Paso 94 68 pc 94 70 c

Fairbanks 57 41 c 51 36 c

Honolulu 88 74 pc 88 75 sh

Indianapolis 84 67 t 84 66 t

Kansas City 75 64 t 86 71 pc

Las Vegas 95 71 s 91 69 s

Los Angeles 79 64 pc 78 65 pc

Memphis 90 72 pc 88 74 pc

Miami 92 77 s 91 77 pc

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Nashville 89 75 pc 88 75 pc

New Orleans 89 75 pc 88 75 pc

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Pittsburgh 83 67 s 84 68 pc

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