

Research: 'We need to extend our reach'

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elusive seabirds go in the winter. Researchers also plan to take blood and fecal samples, which will be used to analyze what the birds eat and whether the colony on Haystack Rock is genetically unique from other tufted puffins.

Answering these questions will bring the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service closer to figuring out why the puffin population on Haystack Rock has dropped from 368 in 2010 to the just over 100 today.

Researchers are also hoping this information can build a case for listing the tufted puffin as endangered in Oregon. The listing would help the bird qualify for more research funding, which ultimately could help save the dwindling population, Stephensen said. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife voted to put the puffin on the endangered species list three years ago.

With funding in place, the next challenge will be physically attaching the transmitters and collecting the samples. This August, Stephensen and his team will have a two-week window to catch and sample



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Olivia Goward peers through a scope looking for puffins and other birds at Cannon Beach.

multiple puffins. Researchers will have to do this by boat at night, when puffins are often rafting on the water near Haystack Rock, by the light of a spotlight and the grace of luck.

"That will be the tricky part," Stephensen said.

But it's a labor of love Stephensen is ready to take on, as he is hoping this will be the first of several projects.

"This will be instrumental in getting the puffin listed," he said.

Future research will take more money, however, a challenge the Friends of Haystack Rock will continue to take on, Board President Stacy Benefield said.

"This is something new for us," Benefield said. "We've never funded research like this

before. We hope to keep participating to protect our puffins."

Underwood said the board is working with the Audubon Society and other environmental groups to try and sell more sweatshirts outside of the local area.

"I'm really happy this has generated a lot of enthusiasm," Underwood said. "Now, we need to extend our reach."

PAC: 'It's more of a get out the vote campaign'

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A facilities committee has recommended a \$70 million bond to build a new three-story classroom wing at Astoria Middle School, a 50-year-old campus relatively untouched by the 2000 bond, while modernizing infrastructure and enhancing campus security throughout the school district. The school board will likely vote in July to go out for the bond in the November election.

Craig Hoppes, the superintendent in Astoria, said the new taxes from the bond would not take effect until the district's

previous bond expires. He estimated the new bond could increase the taxes of district residents by \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Oser said there appears to be support for the new bond, but that boosters will focus on winning over younger voters to augment the older voters who usually dominate elections.

"It's more of a get out the vote campaign than a go out and change people's minds campaign," Oser said.

The political action committee will look to raise between \$20,000 and \$25,000 to fund advertisements and other activities, he said, while

gathering a core group of volunteers.

The school district recently polled potential voters. While they generally supported the district and a bond, there was a lack of understanding around the issues facing the middle school, the district's highest-priority need. The school, built on filled-in land, has faced settling and cracks in the foundation. Staff have complained of undersized, antiquated classrooms, many without windows.

There will be tours, photos and video to publicize the issues with the middle school, and how a modernized class-

room wing with more natural light and better ventilation can help improve academic performance, Oser said.

"A capital bond like this is really the only mechanism we have to improve the learning environment and the physical plant," Oser said. "There's no money to do more than the most ordinary sort of maintenance."

Warrenton-Hammond School District is preparing for a \$32.4 million bond measure in November. Mark Jeffery, the superintendent in Warrenton, said there have been conversations of a political action committee but no PAC has formed.

Pastor: Emphasized he acted in a cautious, careful manner

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wife at that time, so I continued to look for her and stayed in the building as people began to realize the situation and run out of the building....

"It was at this point the gunman came past me, waving and pointing his gun as he exited the building. I followed carefully along with another citizen carrying a firearm, unaware of what the shooter would do next or where he would do it. The gunman attempted to get a car, and when he failed, he moved to another, screaming at the driver. He then shot two times into the driver's side of the vehicle. When the driver would

not or could not respond to his threats, he began to travel in the direction that I thought my family to be.

"It was at this point that I left cover and moved to intercept the gunman. When the gunman began threatening another person for the use of their car, I moved in order to have a safe shot at the gunman. He entered the vehicle, which I considered to be an even bigger threat, and I fired to stop the shooter. After being hit, the gunman tried to exit the vehicle and fell to the ground. I moved to clear the gunman, yelling to him to drop the gun and show me his hands. I determined the gunman was incapacitated and unable to

respond to me at that time.

"It was then that I heard somebody associated with the previous gunshot victim yelling for help that her friend or husband had been shot. I directed the other armed citizen to remain with the gunman and I retrieved my jump-bag/first-aid kit from my nearby vehicle in order to render aid to the previous gunshot victim."

George emphasized more than once that he acted in as

cautious and careful a manner as circumstances allowed.

"I am proficient with use of the firearm I carry and trained appropriately to use it in a defensive setting. I carry a firearm for the same reason I carry a first-aid bag — hoping never having to use them but always being prepared nonetheless. I acted on Sunday to protect my family and others from the gunman and his display of obvious deadly intent," he said.

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Bridges: Two-year project is set to begin in October

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immediately, said Assistant City Engineer Cindy Moore. ODOT's evaluation also included a number of recommended repairs and improvements to keep the bridges open.

The city is evaluating the cost of doing these interim fixes before a massive, two-year bridge replacement project begins in October, Moore said.

The Seventh, Ninth and 11th Street bridges were already set to be closed beginning Oct. 1 for the replacement project. The city had planned to keep these bridges open until that date to reduce the impact on residents, visitors and nearby businesses.

Construction on the bridges at the end of the even-numbered streets was not going to begin until 2019, but if ODOT sees more violations of the load limit, the city might have to begin dealing with those bridges sooner than planned.

Moore said the city is looking at ways to keep the even-numbered bridges open for another year even if they have to close the other bridges early. But, she wrote in a letter to stakeholders, "load limit violations will be a detriment to this effort."

For now, the Public Works Department has asked Astoria police to increase patrol and enforcement for load limit violations. Staff also alerted stakeholders and businesses, reminding them that delivery vans and trucks are not legally allowed to drive over the waterfront bridges.

Signs warning about the load limit restrictions have been in place for a long time, but the city added bright orange flags to one on 11th Street to make it even

more visible. Moore and Public Works Director Jeff Harrington plan to discuss options and recommendations with the Astoria City Council next month.

The 11th Street waterfront bridge — the natural delivery route to serve a number of nearby businesses, including Sears — has been an especially problematic site, and where most load limit violations seem to occur. Delivery vehicles with stops near the base of the street don't have much room to turn around and often will just make the right turn across the bridge to go up a narrow one-way street, coming out at 12th Street to make a right turn back onto Marine Drive.

The businesses say they have come up with different ways to try to avoid having delivery drivers cross the bridge. JP Plumbing is considering asking the city to remove several parking spots on the street to give delivery drivers more room to maneuver.

Since hearing from ODOT, the city is looking at ways to improve vehicle circulation, Moore said. Each business has its own unique scenario for what the city says will be a temporary situation. Once the bridges are replaced, the load limit will be high enough to accommodate delivery vans and trucks again.

The load limit restrictions do not affect the Astoria Trolley, which runs on tracks along the riverfront and crosses all six waterfront bridges. The trolley trestle is a separate — yet connected — structure, Moore said. A consultant is evaluating the trestle and will make recommendations for improvements to keep it operating.

Hannah Sievert contributed to this report.

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| 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 (N) | | Jeopardy! | Wheel of Fortune | The Gong Show (N) | | Match Game (N) | | Take Two "Take Two" (P) (N) | | KATU News (N) | (3:5) Jimmy Kimmel | | |
| 3 | KOMO | (4) KOMO 4 News (N) | | Wheel of Fortune | Jeopardy! (N) | The Gong Show (N) | | Match Game (N) | | Take Two "Take Two" (P) (N) | | KOMO 4 News (N) | (3:5) Jimmy Kimmel | | |
| 4 | KING | (5) NBC News (N) | KING 5 News | KING 5 News | Evening | Little Big Shots "Give Us S'mores" (N) | Marlon (N) | Marlon (N) | Marlon (N) | Law & Order: S.V.U. "Pathological" | | KING 5 News (N) | (3:5) Tonight Show | | |
| 5 | KOIN | (6) KOIN Local 6 (N) | Evening News (N) | Extra | Ent. Tonight | Big Bang Theory | Young Sheldon | Mom | Life in Pieces | S.W.A.T. "Pamilya" | | KOIN 6 News (N) | (3:5) Colbert | | |
| 6 | KIRO | (7) KIRO 7 News (N) | Evening News (N) | KIRO 7 News (N) | KIRO Investigate | Big Bang Theory | Young Sheldon | Mom | Life in Pieces | S.W.A.T. "Pamilya" | | KIRO News (N) | (3:5) Colbert | | |
| 7 | KGW | (8) KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N) | | Tonight Cassidy | Inside Edition | Little Big Shots "Give Us S'mores" (N) | Marlon (N) | Marlon (N) | Marlon (N) | Law & Order: S.V.U. "Pathological" | | KGW News (N) | (3:5) Tonight Show | | |
| 8 | KRCW | (3) Modern Family | Modern Family | The Goldbergs | The Goldbergs | Supernatural "Advanced Thanatology" | | Black Lightning | | News at 10 (N) | Friends | Two and a Half | Two and a Half | | |
| 9 | KOPB | (10) Travels Darley | Business (N) | PBS NewsHour (N) | | Oregon Art Beat | Oregon Guide | Vera "Blood and Bone" (N) | | | | | | | |
| 10 | KPTV | (12) 6 O'Clock News (N) | | Family Feud | Family Feud | FOX The "Week Three" The four continue to fight to defend their seats. (N) | | 10 O'Clock News (N) | | 10 O'Clock News (N) | | News (N) | Page Six TV | | |
| 11 | KPDx | (6) Mike & Molly | Mike & Molly | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | FOX 12's News (N) | | 9 O'Clock News (N) | | Family Guy | American Dad! | The Game | The Game | | |
| 12 | KCPQ | (13) Modern Family | Modern Family | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | The Four "Week Three" The four continue to fight to defend their seats. (N) | | Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N) | | Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N) | | News (N) | The Simpsons | | |
| 13 | TBS | (20) Family Guy | Family Guy | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Conan | Conan | | |
| 14 | KZJO | (22) Friends | Friends | Mom | Modern Family | Mom | Modern Family | Q13 News at 9 (N) | | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Two and a Half | Two and a Half | | |
| 15 | ESPN2 | (29) (4:30) NBA Draft Site: Barclays Center -- Brooklyn, N.Y. (L) | | | | | | SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N) | | SportsCenter (N) | | SportsCenter (N) | | | |
| 16 | ESPN | (30) (4:00) NBA Basketball Playoffs (L) | | | | | | Nación ESPN (N) | | NFL Live | | E:60 | | | |
| 17 | NICK | (31) The Loud House | The Loud House | Henry Danger | The Thundermans | Alvin and the Chipmunks ('07) David Cross, Cameron Richardson, Jason Lee. | | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | | |
| 18 | DISN | (32) Big City Greens | Stuck in Middle | Bunk'd | Bunk'd | Andi Mack | Raven's Home | Stuck in Middle | Big City Greens | Bizaardvark | Raven's Home | Andi Mack 2/2 | Bunk'd | | |
| 19 | FAM | (34) (5:30) *** Rataouille ('07) Voices of Patton Oswalt, John Ratzenberger, Brad Garrett. | | | | Cloak & Dagger "Call/Response" (N) | | The Last Song (2010, Drama) Greg Kinnear, Liam Hemsworth, Miley Cyrus. | | | | The 700 Club | | | |
| 20 | FMC | (35) (5:00) Criminal ('16, Dra) Kevin Costner. (c15) Criminal (2016, Drama) Gary Oldman, Tommy Lee Jones, Kevin Costner. | | | | *** Prisoners (2013, Thriller) Jake Gyllenhaal, Viola Davis, Hugh Jackman. | | | | | | (c05) PD Women | (c35) PD Women | | |
| 21 | LIFE | (36) To Be Announced | | | | *** We Are Marshall (2007, Sport) Anthony Mackie, Matthew Fox, Matthew McConaughey. | | | | | | (c05) PD Women | (c35) PD Women | | |
| 22 | ROOT | (38) In Depth | MarinersPre-game | MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at New York Yankees Site: Yankee Stadium -- Bronx, N.Y. | | | | Post-game | Poker Heartland Tour | | | Poker Night | Poker Night | | |
| 23 | F51 | (39) (5:00) FIFA Soccer World Cup | | FIFA World Cup Tonight (L) | | MLB Whiparound (L) | | FIFA World Cup Match Day (N) | | FIFA Soccer World Cup | | | | | |
| 24 | SPIKE | (43) Mom | Mom | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | Amer. Woman (N) | Lip Sync Battle (N) | Lip Sync Battle | Lip Sync Battle | | |
| 25 | COM | (44) (5:10) The Office 2/2 (c45) The Office 1/2 (c20) The Office "Lecture Circuit" (c55) The Office "The Office" | | | | Swamp Mysteries "Hogzilla" | | Swamp Mysteries "Swamp Shark" (N) | | (c05) Alone "The Haunting" (N) | (c05) Alone "The Haunting" (N) | The Daily Show (N) | The Opposition (N) | | |
| 26 | HIST | (45) American Pickers "This One Stings" | | A. Pickers "Woody's Picking Paradise" | | Swamp Mysteries "Hogzilla" | | Swamp Mysteries "Swamp Shark" (N) | | (c05) Alone "The Haunting" (N) | (c05) Alone "The Haunting" (N) | (c05) Live PD: Patrol | (c35) Live PD | | |
| 27 | A&E | (46) First 48 "Rearview Killer/Point Blank" | | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol | Live PD: Patrol (N) | (c35) Live PD (N) | (c05) Live PD: Patrol | (c35) Live PD | | |
| 28 | TLC | (47) (5:00) 90 Day Fiancé "The Blame Game" | | My 600-lb Life "Christina's Story" | | My 600-lb Life: Supersized "James and Cynthia" | | My 600-lb Life: Supersized "James and Cynthia" (N) | | Hoarding "Twenty of Everything" | | My 600-lb Life "James and Cynthia" | | | |
| 29 | DISC | (48) American Chopper "A New Chapter" | | American Chopper "Metal Health" | | To Be Announced | | This is A.I. Learn how AI is changing the world now. (N) | | | | This is A.I. | | | |
| 30 | NGEO | (49) Running Wild "Deion Sanders" | | Running Wild "Shaquille O'Neal" | | Drain the Ocean "Deep Sea Mysteries" | | Drain Alcatraz | | Drain the Ocean | | Wicked Tuna "Changing the Tide" | | | |
| 31 | TNT | (50) (5:00) *** Ocean's Thirteen ('07) Brad Pitt, George Clooney. *** Ocean's Eleven (2001, Crime Story) Brad Pitt, Matt Damon, George Clooney. | | | | *** My Cousin Vinny (1992, Comedy) Marisa Tomei, Ralph Macchio, Joe Pesci. | | | | AFI Life Award "A Tribute to George Clooney" (N) | | AFI Life Award | | | |
| 32 | AMC | (51) (5:30) *** Anger Management ('03) Jack Nicholson, Marisa Tomei, Adam Sandler. | | | | Law&O: SVU "Heightened Emotions" | | Queen South "La Ermitaña" (SP) (N) | | (c35) *** Dirty Dancing ('87) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze. | | | | | |
| 33 | USA | (52) Law&O: SVU "Nationwide Manhunt" | | Law & Order: S.V.U. "Imposter" | | Chopped "Smorgastarta Your Engines" | | Chopped "Bowled Over" | | Shooter (SP) (N) | (c55) Law&Order: SVU "Legitimate Rape" (c50) Queen South | Beat Bobby Flay | Beat Bobby Flay | | |
| 34 | FOOD | (53) Beat Bobby Flay | Beat Bobby Flay | Chopped "Clock Shock" | | Chopped "Smorgastarta Your Engines" | | Chopped "Bowled Over" | | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters | | |
| 35 | HGTV | (54) Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop | Flip or Flop (N) | Flip or Flop | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters (N) | House Hunters | | |
| 36 | FX | (56) *** Pixels (2015, Action/Comedy) Kevin James, Josh Gad, Adam Sandler. | | | | *** Pitch Perfect 2 (2015, Comedy) Rebel Wilson, Elizabeth Banks, Anna Kendrick. | | | | *** Pitch Perfect 2 (15, Com) Rebel Wilson, Anna Kendrick. | | | | | |
| 37 | CNN | (57) Cuomo Prime Time | | CNN Tonight With Don Lemon | | CNN Tonight With Don Lemon | | Anderson Cooper 360 | | Cuomo Prime Time | | CNN Tonight With Don Lemon | | | |
| 38 | FNC | (58) Hannity | | The Ingraham Angle | | Fox News @ Night | | Tucker Carlson Tonight | | Hannity | | The Ingraham Angle | | | |
| 39 | CNBC | (61) Shark Tank | | Shark Tank | | The Profit "The Casery" | | The Profit "Southern Culture" | | The Profit "TankFarm and Co." | | Paid Program | | | |
| 40 | TRM | (63) Southern Charm "Reunion" | | Southern Charm "Family Ties" | | Southern Charm "Beer and Trembling" | | Southern Charm "Gone Girl" (N) | | Guide "Don't Eat the Yellow Snow" (N) | | Watch What (N) | Southern Charm | | |
| 41 | BCV | (64) (5:00) Seven Brides for Seven Brothers | | *** A Star Is Born (1937, Romance) Janet Gaynor, Adolphe Menjou, Fredric March. | | | | | | (c15) *** Million Dollar Mermaid ('52) Victor Mature, Esther Williams. | | | | | |
| 42 | SYFY | (65) Movie | | *** G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra ('09) Christopher Eccleston, Gregory Fitoussi, Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje. | | *** The Last Witch Hunter (2015, Action) | | | | Rose Leslie, Elijah Wood, Vin Diesel. | | The Expanse "Fallen World" | | | |
| 43 | RFD | (62) SF Machinery | Small Town | Rural America "Live" "AARP" | | Steve Lantvit | Rural Eve. News | Market Journal | GA Farm Monitor | SF Machinery | Small Town | Time Life Library | | | |