

Health advisory lifted for Cannon Beach ocean waters

Fecal bacteria levels have subsided

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CANNON BEACH — A recreational use health advisory has been lifted in Cannon Beach just in time for Labor Day weekend after recent testing showed fecal bacteria levels have subsided.

The Oregon Health Authority issued the advisory Wednesday after water samples showed higher-than-normal levels of fecal bacteria in ocean waters. A specific source was never identified, however.

High readings in ocean waters can come from sources such as stormwater runoff, sewer overflows, failing septic systems, as well as



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Fecal bacteria levels have dropped off Cannon Beach.

animal waste from livestock, pets and wildlife, according to the health authority.

Contact with ocean water no longer poses a health risk, though officials recommend staying out of large pools on the beach that are frequented by birds and runoff from

those pools as the water may still contain increased bacteria from fecal matter.

Contact with waterborne bacteria can cause diarrhea, stomach cramps, skin rashes, upper respiratory infections and other illnesses, according to the health authority.

Night closure scheduled next week for work on Old Youngs Bay Bridge

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A one night closure of the Old Youngs Bay Bridge is scheduled from 8 p.m. Thurs-

day to 5 a.m. on Sept. 7. During the full night closure, the Oregon Department of Transportation Astoria Drawbridge and Seaside Bridge

crews are replacing a drive motor on the span lock.

Signs will be posted at various locations warning travelers of the closure.

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TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
52	65 49	65 54	65 51	66 51
Some clouds	Clouds giving way to some sun	Partial sunshine	Clouds breaking, a shower	Mostly cloudy

ALMANAC

Astoria through Thursday.

Temperatures

High/low 68°/56°

Normal high/low 69°/52°

Record high 91° in 1918

Record low 42° in 1920

Precipitation

Thursday 0.00"

Month to date 0.51"

Normal month to date 1.10"

Year to date 36.25"

Normal year to date 38.04"

REGIONAL WEATHER

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs.

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UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: The star Altair, high overhead, is the brightest star in the constellation Aquila, the eagle.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time	High	Time	Low
5:52 a.m.	6.5 ft.	11:34 a.m.	1.3 ft.
5:45 p.m.	8.1 ft.	none	

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	87	70	pc	89	71	pc	
Boston	73	63	c	75	65	pc	
Chicago	83	71	pc	84	72	t	
Denver	90	56	pc	81	56	pc	
Des Moines	84	71	t	85	69	t	
Detroit	82	67	s	89	71	pc	
El Paso	98	73	s	91	69	s	
Fairbanks	54	39	c	54	47	c	
Honolulu	88	75	pc	88	74	pc	
Indianapolis	86	69	pc	87	70	c	
Kansas City	90	72	t	91	70	pc	
Las Vegas	102	75	s	101	77	s	
Los Angeles	86	65	s	85	67	s	
Memphis	90	72	pc	91	73	s	
Miami	88	76	t	88	75	t	
Nashville	89	70	t	89	71	pc	
New Orleans	85	77	t	84	76	t	
New York	75	68	sh	77	70	sh	
Oklahoma City	94	70	pc	93	70	s	
Philadelphia	79	68	t	81	68	sh	
St. Louis	89	74	t	91	73	pc	
Salt Lake City	85	57	s	84	56	s	
San Francisco	71	54	pc	70	53	pc	
Seattle	72	54	pc	70	51	pc	
Washington, DC	85	73	t	85	73	c	

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

Last heart transplant doctor in Oregon leaves hospital

Associated Press

PORTLAND — The only remaining doctor in Oregon's only heart transplant program has resigned, leaving the state with no medical facilities that can perform the life-saving procedure.

Oregon Health & Science University is now working to transfer the 20 patients on its waiting list to other transplant centers, including those in Seattle and the San Francisco Bay Area, The Oregonian reported Thursday.

The Portland hospital notified patients this earlier week that it was suspending its heart transplant program for 14 days because one doctor had left and two others had given

notice, leaving one doctor to provide follow-up care.

The final doctor to leave did not give a reason for her departure, which was reported Thursday.

OHSU said it won't evaluate new patients for transplants, accept donor hearts or perform any transplant surgeries for two weeks and is scrambling to find heart specialists to add to its program.

But other medical centers that have been forced to suspend heart transplants have taken months or years to resurrect a program, the newspaper reported.

Renee Edwards, chief medical officer for OHSU Health-care, acknowledged that the hospital could take longer to

resume its program.

Cardiac patients who don't need transplants can still be treated at OHSU, including for such procedures as pacemaker implantation, she has said.

Eighteen heart transplants were done at OHSU in 2016 and 30 more were completed there in 2017, according to federal data.

There are 3,930 people awaiting new hearts on the national transplant list.

A patient's position on the list is based on how well he or she matches with a donor, how sick they are, and how many donors versus patients are in the area.

Kidney and liver transplants are not affected by the suspension.

Offices closed for Labor Day

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In observance of Labor Day on Monday, all federal, state, county and city offices and services, including Astoria, Warrenton, Gearhart, Seaside and Cannon Beach city halls, are closed. All U.S. post offices are closed, and there is no mail delivery.

Astoria, Jewell, Knappa, Warrenton/Hammond, Seaside (including Cannon Beach and Gearhart schools) and Ocean Beach School District schools and Clatsop Community College are closed.

The Astoria Library, Seaside Library, Warrenton Library and all Timberland libraries in Washington state,

including Ilwaco, Ocean Park and Naselle, are closed.

The Port of Astoria offices and services are closed.

Garbage collection through Recology Western Oregon (covering Astoria, Seaside, Gearhart and Cannon Beach), city of Warrenton garbage collection, and Peninsula Sanitation (covering the Long Beach, Washington, Peninsula) are not affected by the holiday. Recology Western Oregon's transfer station is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Peninsula Sanitation's transfer station will be open, but closing early.

The Sunset Pool in Seaside is closed. The Astoria Aquatic Center is open 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Clatsop County Heritage Museum, Oregon Film Museum and Flavel House are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the Carriage House is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Uppertown Firefighters' Museum is closed. Capt. Gray's Port of Play and Lil' Sprouts are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fort Clatsop is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Columbia River Maritime Museum is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Seaside Museum is closed.

Sunset Empire Transportation ("The Bus") is running.

The Daily Astorian offices are closed, but the newspaper printed and delivered as usual.

Wyden proposes lodging assistance for people fleeing wildfire smoke

Associated Press

MEDFORD — U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden is proposing legislation for the federal government to pay for the hotel stays of people fleeing their homes because of wildfire smoke.

The Mail Tribune reported the Democratic senator's bill

would open up an existing Federal Emergency Management Agency program, which covers temporary lodging for people who can't immediately return home following a disaster, to include smoke as an eligible reason for lodging assistance.

Wyden said he considers

wildfire smoke a public health emergency. He said the smoke in Oregon and other parts of the West is creating "clean air refugees."

Wyden said some details for the Clean Air Refugee Assistance Act still need to be worked out. A cost estimate has not been figured yet.

CORRECTION

Base location incorrect — Coast Guard Sector Columbia River includes Lewiston, Idaho, but the service does not have a base there. A Q&A with Capt. Jeremy Smith, the sector commander, on 1A Thursday incorrectly stated that the captain visited a base there.

ON THE RECORD

DUII

- At 9:11 p.m. Thursday, Tyler Rusten, 37, of San Jose, California, was arrested by Seaside police on the 510

block of Holladay Drive and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

- At 7:43 p.m. Wednesday, Mark Steven Beatty, 33,

of Seaside, was arrested by the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office on the 84370 block of Nordmark Drive and charged with DUII.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

TUESDAY

Seaside Community Center Commission, 10 a.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A.

Seaside Library Board, 4:30 p.m., Seaside Library, 1131 Broadway.

Miles Crossing Sanitary Sewer District Board, 6 p.m., 34583

U.S. Highway 101 Business.

Astoria City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

Seaside Planning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Thursday's Pick 4:

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

4 p.m.: 3-6-1-3

7 p.m.: 6-1-3-3

10 p.m.: 3-9-6-7

Thursday's Lucky Lines: 03-06-10-14-FREE-19-22-26-31

Estimated jackpot: \$10,000

WASHINGTON

Thursday's Daily Game:

3-0-7

Thursday's Keno: 05-09-11-12-23-26-31-32-34-38-40-43-46-47-49-50-51-57-66-71

Thursday's Match 4: 04-13-15-19

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