

**AccuWeather.com Forecast**

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Mostly sunny, breezy and cold	Plenty of sunshine, but cold	Sunshine, but cold	Cold with clouds limiting sun	Cold with some sun

**PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST**

32°	13°	28°	10°	28°	11°	30°	13°	30°	18°
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**HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST**

41°	16°	33°	13°	30°	14°	30°	15°	31°	18°
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**ALMANAC**

**PENDLETON**  
through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

HIGH	LOW
32°	28°
Yesterdays	45°
Normals	31°
Records	71° (1960) -11° (1985)

**PRECIPITATION**

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.26"
Month to date	1.10"
Normal month to date	1.14"
Year to date	7.73"
Last year to date	10.36"
Normal year to date	11.13"

**HERMISTON**

through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

HIGH	LOW
32°	30°
Normals	46°
Records	70° (1959) -11° (1985)

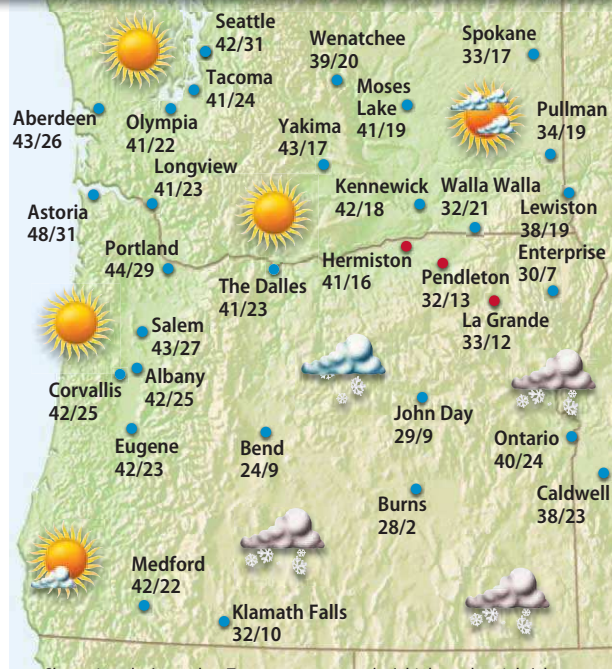
**PRECIPITATION**

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.23"
Month to date	0.81"
Normal month to date	0.93"
Year to date	5.39"
Last year to date	6.25"
Normal year to date	8.21"

**SUN AND MOON**

Sunrise today 7:07 a.m.  
Sunset tonight 4:16 p.m.  
Moonrise today 4:40 p.m.  
Moonset today 6:31 a.m.

Full Moon Dec 2  
New Moon Dec 11



**REGIONAL FORECAST**

**Coastal Oregon:** Mostly sunny and chilly today. Clear and moonlit tonight; cold.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** A little snow with little or no accumulation today; mostly sunny across the north.

**Western Washington:** Plenty of sun today. Clear and moonlit tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.

**Eastern Washington:** Mostly sunny today. A moonlit sky tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

**Cascades:** Cold today; clouds and sun, but sunnier across the north. Bitterly cold tonight.

**Northern California:** Periods of sun today; isolated showers. Snow showers, accumulating 1-3 inches mountains.

**REGIONAL CITIES**

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	48	31	s	50	33	s
Baker City	31	9	c	29	2	s
Bend	24	9	sn	25	3	s
Brookings	51	35	s	53	37	s
Burns	28	2	sn	28	0	s
Enterprise	30	7	pc	25	5	s
Eugene	42	23	s	41	21	s
Heppner	30	13	s	28	9	s
Hermiston	41	16	s	33	13	s
John Day	29	9	sn	34	5	s
Klamath Falls	32	10	sn	30	16	s
La Grande	33	12	pc	32	7	s
Meacham	30	13	c	32	8	s
Medford	42	22	sn	38	25	s
Newport	47	34	s	48	32	s
North Bend	50	31	s	51	33	s
Ontario	40	24	sn	38	14	pc
Pasco	41	18	s	36	15	s
Pendleton	32	13	s	28	10	s
Portland	44	29	s	46	28	s
Redmond	27	4	sn	26	0	s
Salem	43	27	s	44	24	s
Spokane	33	17	s	33	18	s
Ukiah	25	5	pc	22	2	s
Vancouver	43	27	s	45	27	s
Walla Walla	32	21	pc	27	19	s
Yakima	43	17	s	41	16	s

**WORLD CITIES**

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	26	10	s	25	8	s
Hong Kong	77	61	s	73	61	c
Jerusalem	66	55	pc	66	56	pc
London	50	42	pc	51	44	pc
Mexico City	73	51	pc	74	49	pc
Moscow	28	21	pc	26	14	c
Paris	49	36	sh	47	35	pc
Rome	56	43	c	53	44	r
Seoul	43	21	sn	33	21	pc
Sydney	87	71	s	93	62	pc
Tokyo	52	48	r	57	51	r

**WINDS**

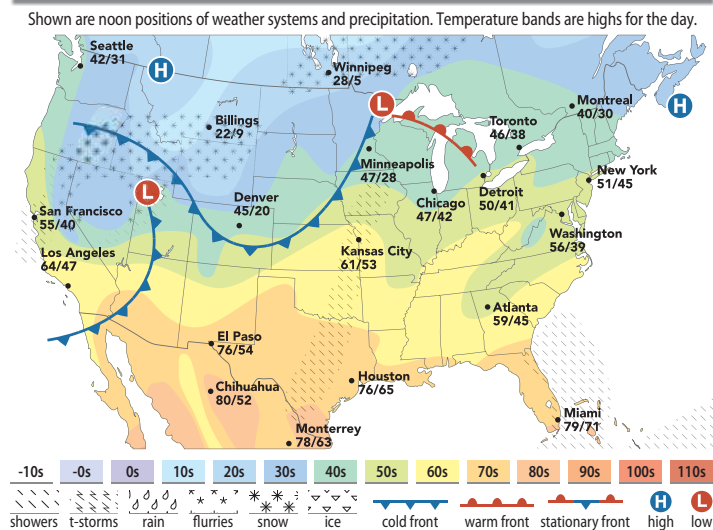
(in mph) Today Thursday  
**Boardman** NNE 10-20 NNE 4-8  
**Pendleton** N 10-20 WNW 3-6

**UV INDEX TODAY**

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 8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.  
 0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme  
 The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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**NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY**



**National Summary:** Rain will break out from central Texas to southern Minnesota with spotty showers in eastern Florida and Southern California today. Snow will fall from the Sierra Nevada to the Montana High Plains.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
 High 82° in Brownsville, Texas Low 1° in Jackson, Wyo.

**NATIONAL CITIES**

	Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	61	44	pc	61	38	c
Atlanta	59	45	pc	63	52	pc
Atlantic City	53	43	s	62	49	c
Baltimore	54	35	s	61	41	c
Billings	22	9	sn	24	5	c
Birmingham	63	50	pc	69	55	pc
Boise	37	24	sn	36	15	pc
Boston	46	40	s	57	49	c
Charleston, SC	64	51	pc	72	54	c
Charleston, WV	61	38	pc	65	47	pc
Chicago	47	42	pc	55	36	sh
Cleveland	58	42	pc	58	51	pc
Dallas	71	64	c	73	61	t
Denver	45	20	pc	25	10	sn
Detroit	50	41	pc	55	50	c
El Paso	76	54	pc	73	53	t
Fargo	28	24	sn	28	26	sn
Fairbanks	37	16	c	27	10	c
Honolulu	82	75	c	83	74	c
Houston	76	65	c	78	68	t
Indianapolis	56	43	pc	59	53	c
Jacksonville	72	60	pc	76	61	sh
Kansas City	61	53	c	59	30	r
Las Vegas	57	38	pc	56	37	s
Little Rock	62	54	pc	66	60	t
Los Angeles	64	47	c	63	46	pc
Louisville	60	47	s	65	55	pc
Memphis	65	54	s	68	59	c
Miami	79	71	sh	80	71	sh
Millwaukee	47	42	pc	53	34	c
Minneapolis	47	28	sh	33	20	sn
Nashville	64	47	s	69	56	pc
New Orleans	74	65	pc	77	66	c
New York City	51	45	s	60	51	c
Oklahoma City	67	60	c	66	34	r
Omaha	53	34	c	35	22	i
Philadelphia	54	38	s	63	46	c
Phoenix	73	48	s	68	44	s
Portland, ME	42	31	s	53	42	pc
Providence	48	35	s	58	47	c
Raleigh	59	39	s	65	44	pc
Rapid City	36	14	c	24	4	sn
Reno	38	23	sf	35	23	pc
Sacramento	54	33	sh	54	33	pc
St. Louis	59	52	pc	64	54	c
Salt Lake City	46	28	sh	37	20	sn
San Diego	66	55	c	65	51	pc
San Francisco	55	40	pc	55	38	s
Seattle	42	31	s	44	31	s
Tucson	76	48	pc	73	42	s
Washington, DC	56	39	s	62	46	c
Wichita	68	57	c	61	29	r

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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**Environmental review: oil-by-rail terminal could hurt fish**

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PORTLAND — An environmental assessment for a proposed oil-by-rail terminal in Vancouver, Washington says the project could have negative consequences for endangered salmon and other fish in the Columbia River.

The study, released Tuesday by Washington state's Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council, says the number of vessels added to pick up oil at the terminal could lessen water quality, induce bank erosion, reduce shoreline and wetland vege-

tation and harm essential fish habitat. It would also lead to the destruction of some archaeological resources located along the shoreline.

If the terminal was permitted, the river's annual ship traffic of about 1,500 vessel trips per year would nearly triple.

"The increase in deep-draft vessel traffic associated with the proposed facility could result in a moderate to major long-term effect on near-shore fish including listed salmonids and eulachon species in the lower 33-mile portion of the Columbia River," the assess-

ment says.

Wakes from the ships could wash juvenile salmon onto the shore, leaving them stranded — a moderate to major impact, according to the study. Stranding would occur in the lower Columbia where shorelines are not shielded from wave action. The area contains some of the highest quality shallow-water shoreline habitat.

The vessels could also suck in aquatic larvae and eggs, which would hurt fish reproduction, population size, or distribution of fish and reduce species such as salmon, especially during

vulnerable times such as extremely high temperatures.

Other concerns include soil liquefaction under the proposed facility in case of a large earthquake and impacts to rail transportation in the region, including shipment delays and delays at crossings. The project could also increase train-wildlife collisions.

Another concern is local oil spill responsiveness: many local firefighters aren't trained and equipped to respond to a train derailment with resulting oil spill and fire, and have no access to oil spill containment equipment, the study says.

The \$210 million project by Tesoro Corp. and Savage Cos. would be the Pacific

Northwest's largest oil train terminal. It would receive an average of 360,000 barrels of Bakken crude per day by rail, store it and transfer it to ships for delivery to refineries along the West Coast. Vancouver is just across the river from Portland.

The crude would be transported by unit trains composed of up to 120 tank cars. An average four unit trains per day would roll along the river and to the terminal. Most of the crude would arrive from the Bakken formation in North Dakota, Montana, and Canada.

The project has faced intense opposition because of recent accidents involving oil trains. In July 2013, a

runaway oil train derailed and exploded in Lac-Megantic, Quebec, killing 47 people.

Critics are concerned about potential oil spills and explosions, and other environment and safety risks.

"The study demonstrates one thing: Tesoro's oil trains and shipping terminal are too dangerous," said Brett VandenHeuvel, executive director of Columbia Riverkeeper.

Port and company officials have said the project would be an economic boon to the community and that safety is a priority for them. All tank cars used to transport oil to the terminal would be required to meet the new standards issued earlier this year.

**BRIEFLY**

**Salem man dies in Philippines jail while on vacation**

SALEM (AP) — A Salem man has died in a Philippines jail after being arrested while on vacation.

The Statesman Journal reports that 51-year-old Mark Pikl was on vacation in Cebu City, Philippines, when he was arrested and later died.

Cebu City police say there was no foul play in Pikl's death. An autopsy has not yet been conducted.

Cebu City media outlets have reported that Pikl was arrested Wednesday after "getting wild" near a hotel. After his arrest, he complained to police officers that he could not breathe. He died Thursday.

Brian Pikl said Monday the family is working with the State Department and the American Consular Agency to conduct an autopsy and return Pikl's body to Oregon.

**Students on social media**

The university sent out an alert and an email to students just after 6 a.m. The email from university President Bruce Shepard says law enforcement officials are investigating. He says they do not know if the people who posted what he is calling "hate speech" on social media are students at the state university in Bellingham.

Law enforcement officials do not believe there is a threat to general campus security, but Shepard says a threat to any Western student is an attack on the whole college community.

Shepard says students of color have told him they are afraid to be on campus.

**Lewis & Clark students sit-in at president's office**

PORTLAND (AP) — Dozens of Lewis & Clark College students are occupying rooms outside the college president's office.

The students say they want a more diverse faculty and improved safety at the Portland campus. Tuesday's sit-in comes days after a black student told police he was assaulted on campus by three white men.

The Oregonian reports that President Barry Glassner was not in his office when the protest started, but came by to briefly speak with the students. He pledged to continue working to make the campus safe and inclusive.

**Eugene approves pilot program for homeless people**

EUGENE (AP) — The Eugene City Council has approved a pilot program that allows homeless people to sleep overnight at approved sites.

The Register-Guard reports that the ordinance took effect Monday night after council approval since it contained an emergency clause. The council still needs to approve a site, which officials say they hope to do before they recess for their annual winter break on

**WWU cancels classes over social media hate speech**

BELLINGHAM, Wash. (AP) — Western Washington University has canceled classes on Tuesday because of threats against minority

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