

MUSIC: County gets slice of merchandise

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Coke, two of Diet Coke with Splenda and 24 bottles of water.

Creedence Clearwater Revisited has the longest rider this year, at 40 pages, which lists 37 items for the dressing room, from a jar of natural peanut butter to eight bottles of fine red wine to plenty of fresh coffee.

"Homemade cookies," the rider also notes, "are always appreciated."

The county, though, attaches a five-page addendum that supersedes the riders and cuts out bunches of the specific requests, including the booze.

"Purchaser" — which in these cases is the county fair — "shall provide well balanced meals as advanced with production manager," according to the addendum. "Dressing room hospitality will be limited to snacks and beverages. Purchaser will not provide alcoholic beverages or tobacco products, or any food or beverage for off-site consumption."

Umatilla County counsel Doug Olsen said some artists have specific

and expensive tastes in alcohol and the county does not want the headache of furnishing that.

He also said the county does not ask others to provide libations for bands, but contract language does not prohibit another party from doing that.

The county is giving 80 complimentary tickets to the performers, with The Bellamy Brothers and Creedence Clearwater Revisited each receiving 25.

The addendum also allows the county to get a slice of sales merchandise from the big names on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday night. The groups agree to hand over 25 percent of gross sales from T-shirts and other "soft merchandise." A Thousand Horses and Brothers Osborne, though, also agree to give the county 10 percent of sales from compact discs and other "hard merchandise."

Olsen said that, overall, the fair makes a little money. County budget officer Robert Pahl said this year the fair budgeted expenses of \$1.15 million and revenues of \$1.2 million.

What does it pay to play?

A Thousand Horses

\$30,000, 10 complimentary tickets
The county receives 25 percent of gross sales from T-shirts and other "soft merchandise," and 10 percent of sales from recordings and other "hard merchandise."

The Bellamy Brothers

\$10,000, 25 complimentary tickets
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Brothers Osborne

\$20,000, 20 complimentary tickets
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Montez De Durango

\$9,000

Tormenta De Durango

\$500

Domador De La Sierra

Contract not available as of Wednesday

Creedence Clearwater Revisited

\$65,000, 25 complimentary tickets
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WIND: Would be second largest wind farm in state

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to a substation at the Port of Morrow.

But Irene Gilbert, who works with the Friends of the Grande Ronde Valley group that has opposed large wind farms in the past, said approving a wind farm without a connection to the power grid would create a dangerous precedent. In addition, she said there are no other developments that have committed to connecting to a UEC-owned line, and no guarantee there ever will be.

"They are basically treating UEC as a subcontractor, in my mind," Gilbert said. "That's not how the rules work."

Gilbert argues the transmission line needs to be included in the site certificate application to mitigate possible risk for landowners. She plans to ask the Department of Energy

for a contested case hearing on the matter.

"I can't see letting a precedent like that happen," Gilbert said.

Only parties who commented on the draft proposed order are allowed to participate in a contested case. The deadline to request party status is Friday, Aug. 26.

The Energy Facility Siting Council has the final say on whether to grant a site certificate for the project, taking into consideration both the proposed order and contested case. If a site certificate is granted, Wheatridge will be allowed to break ground.

At 500 megawatts, Wheatridge would be the second-largest wind farm currently operating in Oregon. Shepherds Flat Wind Farm dwarfs all other developments at 845 megawatts, operating in Morrow and Gilliam counties.



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The Bank of Eastern Oregon collects school supplies...



The Bank of Eastern Oregon is once again collecting school supplies for local students in need.

- Each year employees of the Boardman Branch of BoEO join together to collect supplies for local community elementary schools.
- The Boardman Branch front lobby is a drop-off point for local elementary schools during the month of August.
- The bank will also be offering a drawing for a backpack filled with supplies for lucky students, in addition to collecting supplies for the schools or ESD office to distribute.
- The local branch invites community members to "celebrate the spirit of your hometown" by bringing school supplies in to the bank.
- Anyone who has a grade school student is invited in to fill out a drawing ticket to enter for a chance to win a school backpack for the student.
- Entrants and those wishing to donate do not need to be a customer to participate.

The SAGE Center is looking for local vendors for the October 1 Harvest Festival, celebrated at the SAGE...



There are a large variety of categories to enter from, including local homemade food items, crafts, soaps, beers/wine, homegrown produce, and much more!

- Deadline for submitting applications is August 26, 2016.
- Applications can be found on the SAGE Center website. Look for Morrow County Harvest Festival, complete and submit.
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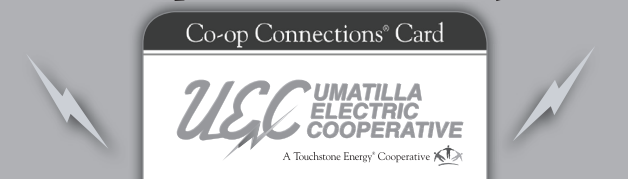
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