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TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Sunny and very warm	Nice with plenty of sunshine	Blazing sunshine and very warm	Sunshine and very hot	Sunny and pleasant
PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
96° 59°	93° 57°	97° 62°	98° 63°	89° 53°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
100° 61°	98° 51°	100° 60°	101° 65°	92° 55°

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PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	92°	59°
Normals	87°	57°
Records	108° (2008)	37° (1915)

PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.

Month to date	0.00"
Normal month to date	0.22"
Year to date	7.39"
Last year to date	5.00"
Normal year to date	8.21"

HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	96°	60°
Normals	88°	57°
Records	107° (2008)	42° (1969)

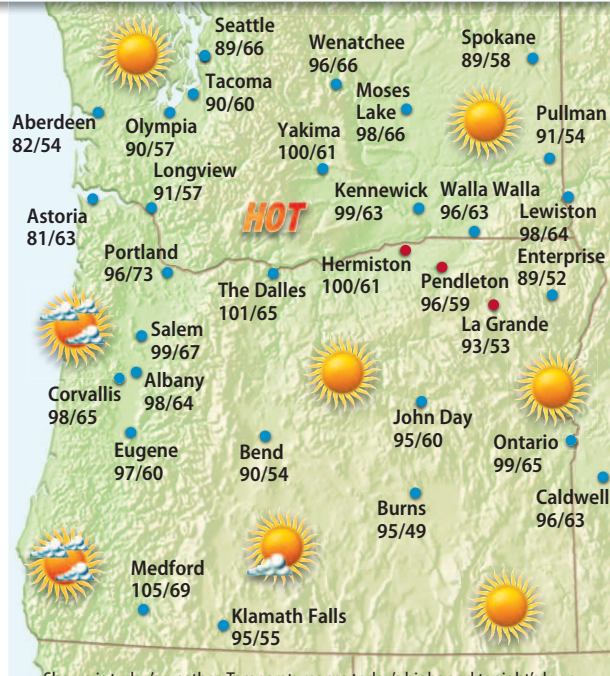
PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.

Month to date	0.05"
Normal month to date	0.11"
Year to date	4.99"
Last year to date	3.25"
Normal year to date	6.06"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:59 a.m.
Sunset tonight	7:58 p.m.
Moonrise today	8:11 p.m.
Moonset today	6:18 a.m.



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Areas of low clouds and fog, then sunshine today; warmer across the north.	Eastern Washington: Sunshine today. Clear tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.
Eastern and Central Oregon: Hot today with plenty of sun. Clear tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.	Cascades: Warmer today with plenty of sunshine. Clear tonight.
Western Washington: Mostly sunny today, except areas of low clouds and fog at the coast. Clear tonight.	Northern California: Fog, then sun at the coast today; hot in central parts. Mostly sunny elsewhere.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	81	63	pc	90	61	s
Baker City	91	48	s	87	41	s
Bend	90	54	s	86	47	s
Brookings	70	54	pc	71	51	s
Burns	95	49	s	92	46	s
Enterprise	89	52	s	84	48	s
Eugene	97	60	s	103	57	s
Heppner	93	54	s	90	52	s
Hermiston	100	61	s	98	51	s
John Day	95	60	s	92	57	s
Klamath Falls	95	55	s	93	49	s
La Grande	93	53	s	88	46	s
Meacham	90	51	s	85	44	s
Medford	105	69	s	108	68	s
Newport	68	58	pc	80	55	s
North Bend	69	55	pc	78	55	s
Ontario	99	65	s	95	59	s
Pasco	99	62	s	96	51	s
Pendleton	96	59	s	93	57	s
Portland	96	73	s	102	66	s
Redmond	94	50	s	91	47	s
Salem	99	67	s	103	63	s
Spokane	89	58	s	86	58	s
Ukiah	88	44	s	85	44	s
Vancouver	96	70	s	101	65	s
Walla Walla	96	63	s	93	60	s
Yakima	100	61	s	94	56	s

WORLD CITIES

City	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	77	74	sh	86	73	pc
Hong Kong	86	82	r	86	80	t
Jerusalem	84	69	s	86	70	s
London	77	60	pc	70	59	r
Mexico City	73	58	t	72	58	t
Moscow	79	61	pc	79	64	s
Paris	79	60	t	77	60	sh
Rome	81	66	pc	82	68	pc
Seoul	93	79	c	91	79	c
Sydney	70	53	s	73	52	s
Tokyo	86	77	t	87	79	t

WINDS

City	Today	Friday
Boardman	N 6-12	NNE 7-14
Pendleton	NW 6-12	NW 6-12

UV INDEX TODAY

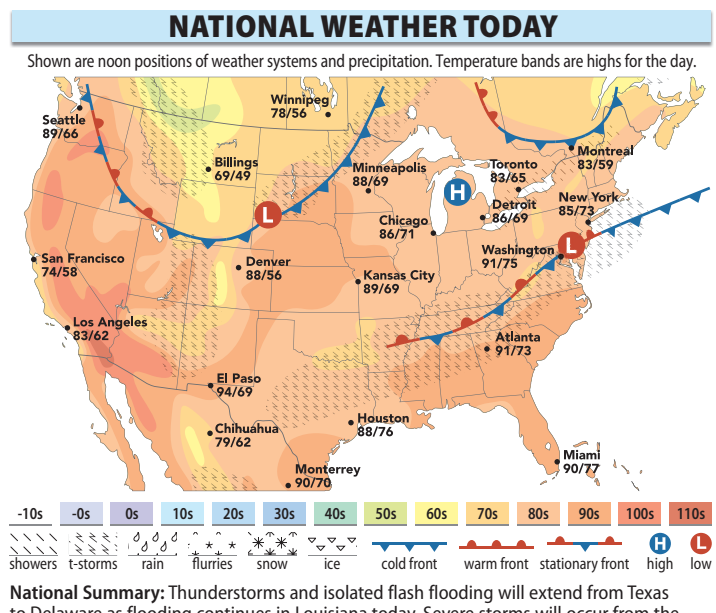
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8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

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 Summary: Thunderstorms and isolated flash flooding will extend from Texas to Delaware as flooding continues in Louisiana today. Severe storms will occur from the Dakotas to Michigan. Storms will dot the Rockies.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 113° in Imperial, Calif. **Low** 32° in Walden, Colo.

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	87	62	t	87	61	t
Atlanta	91	73	t	89	73	c
Atlanta City	82	73	pc	86	72	s
Baltimore	89	70	pc	91	70	s
Billings	69	49	t	65	47	r
Birmingham	90	74	t	86	73	t
Boise	96	64	s	92	61	s
Boston	87	72	pc	82	69	s
Charleston, SC	93	76	t	92	76	c
Charleston, WV	82	69	c	80	68	t
Chicago	86	71	pc	87	71	t
Cleveland	86	69	pc	87	71	s
Dallas	84	73	t	85	75	t
Denver	88	56	t	73	49	t
Detroit	86	69	pc	87	70	pc
El Paso	94	69	pc	96	72	t
Fairbanks	70	55	pc	68	55	c
Fargo	78	59	t	73	53	pc
Honolulu	87	76	pc	86	74	pc
Houston	88	76	t	89	75	t
Indianapolis	85	71	pc	84	70	t
Jacksonville	94	72	pc	93	72	pc
Kansas City	89	69	s	86	65	t
Las Vegas	105	79	pc	104	80	s
Little Rock	81	72	c	83	74	t
Los Angeles	83	62	pc	82	63	pc
Louisville	83	71	pc	85	72	t
Memphis	80	73	t	83	74	t
Miami	90	77	pc	89	76	pc
Milwaukee	86	71	pc	90	71	t
Minneapolis	88	69	pc	76	61	t
Nashville	84	71	t	86	71	t
New Orleans	90	78	t	89	77	pc
New York City	85	73	pc	90	74	s
Oklahoma City	86	69	pc	86	69	t
Omaha	92	71	s	85	62	t
Philadelphia	88	74	pc	91	75	s
Phoenix	104	82	pc	103	81	s
Portland, ME	86	64	pc	85	61	s
Providence	87	68	pc	86	69	s
Raleigh	91	73	t	89	73	t
Rapid City	78	52	t	61	45	r
Reno	95	63	s	95	62	t
Sacramento	95	62	s	92	60	s
St. Louis	89	72	s	87	73	t
Salt Lake City	95	68	t	91	63	s
San Diego	78	67	pc	80	68	pc
San Francisco	74	58	pc	73	57	pc
Seattle	89	66	s	94	62	s
Tucson	101	76	pc	97	74	s
Washington, DC	91	75	pc	93	75	s
Wichita	90	70	s	90	66	t

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Oregon, county spar over timber lawsuit seeking \$1.4B

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Capital Bureau

ALBANY — Linn County shouldn't be allowed to represent other counties in a lawsuit seeking \$1.4 billion from Oregon over its forest management practices, according to the state's attorneys.

It's also impractical for the case to proceed as a class action due to the different forest circumstances in each county, the state's attorneys claimed during oral arguments Aug. 17 in Albany, Ore.

The county filed a lawsuit against the State of Oregon earlier this year, arguing that insufficient logging had cost 15 counties more than \$1.4 billion.

The complaint claims these counties turned over ownership of forestlands to Oregon in the early 20th Century with the expectation the state would maximize timber revenues, but since 1998, forest managers have instead prioritized wild-life habitat, water quality and recreation values.

More than 650,000 acres were donated to Oregon by Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Douglas, Josephine, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook, and Washington counties.

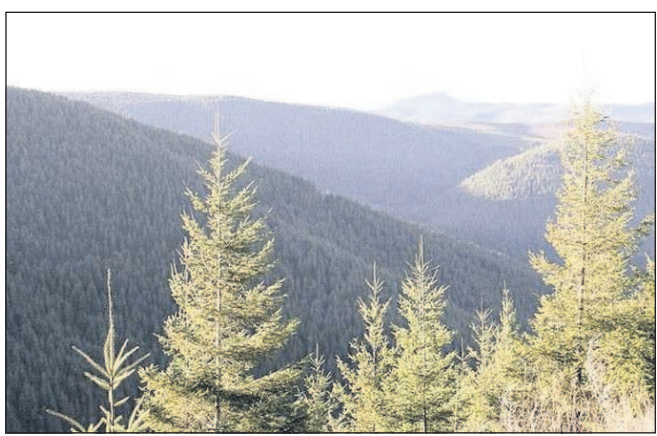
Linn County is seeking class action status for the lawsuit, permitting it to represent the other counties in the case.

Scott Kaplan, an attorney for Oregon, said the problems in managing the case as a class action would be "enormous."

The counties donated 183 separate parcels of land to the state, each of which contains different slopes, tree types, waterways and federally-protected species, he said.

Determining how much timber could have been generated from each parcel would devolve into 183 mini-trials, he said.

"How can we decide if revenue has been maximized



EO Media Group File
Linn County is suing the state over how it manages Oregon Forest Trust Lands. The suit, filed on behalf of 15 counties that donated timber land to the state, seeks \$1.4 billion in lost revenues.

on a particular parcel unless you consider all of those issues?" Kaplan said.

Linn County is also an inadequate representative of the other counties for multiple reasons, he said.

The litigation costs are currently being paid for by timber groups and lumber companies — Oregon Forest & Industries Council, Sustainable Forests Fund, Stimson Lumber and Hampton Tree Farms.

Linn County is simply lending its name to a lawsuit that actually represents private interests, according to Oregon's attorneys.

"It's not a public interest case. It's a case to benefit one particular group," said Kaplan.

Unlike the counties, which appreciate tourism and other benefits from uses besides logging, the timber interests funding the lawsuit primarily want to change the state's "greatest permanent value" rules for forest management to emphasize harvesting, he said.

Much of the alleged damages are for lost future timber revenues, which may force the state to change its logging policies, he said.

"That would directly challenge the interests of the other counties," Kaplan said.

The case also doesn't qualify as a class action

because of the lack of "commonality" among the counties, which donated their land to Oregon during different times and under specific terms, he said.

The presence of threatened and endangered species, which constrain logging, varies widely by county and affects the damages calculation, he said.

"It's a complicated issue involving federal agencies," Kaplan said.

Chris McCracken, an attorney for Linn County, rejected the argument there's a lack of commonality among the counties.

They all face the same issues, such as whether the state has violated its contract to maximize timber revenues, he said.

The Oregon Department of Forestry does not manage each parcel individually but instead treats them according to regional forest plans, he said.

Deciding the counties' contractual rights collectively is more efficient than trying separate cases with potentially conflicting verdicts, he said.

McCracken also disputed that the lawsuit's funding mechanism should disqualify it as a class action.

The Davis Wright Tremaine law firm would be entitled to 15 percent of any financial award in the case.

Groups challenge EPA over river temperatures

Hot water killed 250,000 sockeye last year

By GEORGE PLAVEN
East Oregonian

Conservation groups from across the Northwest are suing the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to protect salmon from lethally warm water in the Columbia and Snake rivers.

A notice of intent to sue the EPA was filed Monday by Columbia Riverkeeper, Idaho Rivers United, Snake River Waterkeeper, the Institute for Fisheries Resources and Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association. They accuse the agency of failing to manage river temperatures for the fish, which could lead to massive die-offs.

More than 250,000 adult sockeye died due to warm water in the rivers last year, which all but decimated the run upstream. For endangered Snake River sockeye, 96 percent of the fish died before passing Lower Granite Dam in Washington and 99 percent died before reaching Idaho's Sawtooth Valley.

"The death of 250,000 sockeye in 2015 was an ugly reminder of what scientists have understood for decades

on the Columbia River," said Miles Johnson, clean water attorney for Columbia Riverkeeper. "At some point, we are going to run into another real problem like we saw in 2015."

The federal Clean Water Act requires water temperatures in the Columbia River to stay at or below 68 degrees to preserve native salmon and steelhead. By July 2015, the temperature had exceeded 72 degrees at Bonneville Dam.

Johnson attributed rising river temperatures to operations at the dams, in combination with climate change. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recently unveiled improvements at both Ice Harbor and Lower Granite dams meant to cool down water in the fish ladders and improve passage, but Johnson said these are only short-term solutions.

"Those things aren't going to solve the problem, that the average river temperature is becoming too hot for salmon migration," he said.

Columbia Riverkeeper and Snake River Waterkeeper signed on to a letter in February asking for the Army Corps to come up with

emergency measures to assist fish after the devastating year that was 2015, though Johnson said this lawsuit is meant to address the problem as a whole moving forward.

The lawsuit would force the EPA to complete a comprehensive