

# Report says Pasco should hire more Spanish-speaking cops

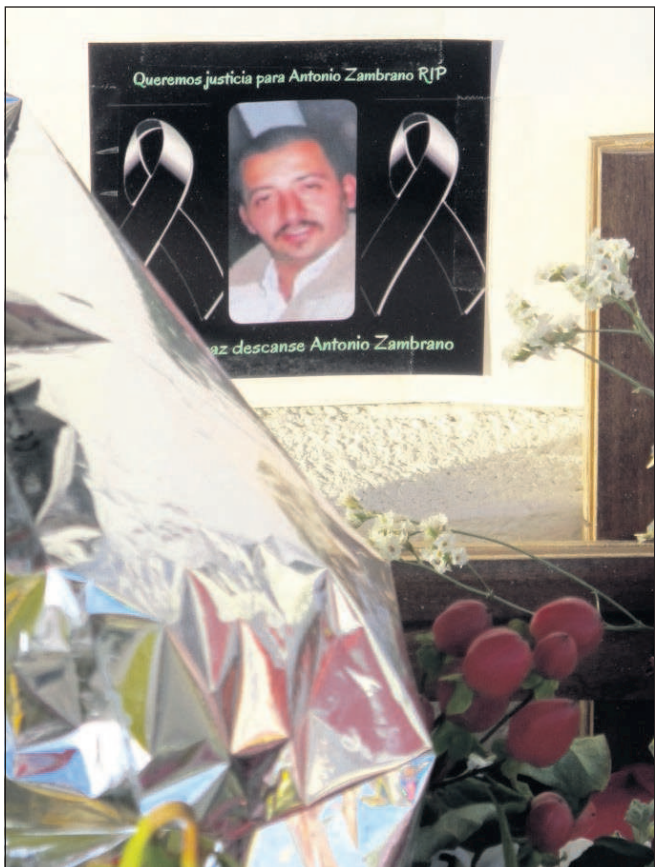
PASCO, Wash. (AP) — The Pasco Police Department should take steps to ensure all officers speak some Spanish, improve the training of officers to deal with mentally ill people, and hire more Spanish-speaking officers in the wake of last year's shooting of a man with a history of mental illness that sparked protests in the city, a training group recommended.

The recommendations were released Monday by the Police Executive Research Forum, which was asked by the U.S. Department of Justice to study the shooting in the central Washington city.

The report recommended that the police department fully embrace the concept of community policing, provide more opportunities for officers to learn Spanish, attract more Spanish-speaking officers and provide officers with an understanding of cultural diversity and the role of implicit bias in policing. "While the guidance in this report is specific to Pasco, much of it can also be applied to police agencies across the nation that are facing challenges similar to Pasco's," the report said.

The report noted an upheaval in policing since 2014, when protests broke out over the police shooting of a black man in Ferguson, Missouri.

Antonio Zambrano-Montes, an orchard worker from Mexico, was shot and killed as he threw rocks at police at a busy downtown intersection in February 2015. His death sparked weeks of



**In this Feb. 19, 2015 file photo, a photo of Antonio Zambrano-Montes is displayed at a memorial in Pasco, Wash., at the site where Zambrano-Montes, an unarmed man who was running away from police, fell after being fatally shot by police.**

peaceful protests in the city of more than 60,000 residents that is majority-Hispanic but has a police force with relatively few minorities.

In June, federal prosecutors announced they would not file charges against the three police officers who killed Zambrano-Montes. U.S. Attorney Michael Ormsby said there was insufficient evidence that the officers violated the civil rights of Zambrano-Montes

when they fired 17 bullets at him on Feb. 10, 2015.

An autopsy showed he had methamphetamine in his system. He also had a history of mental illness and previous interactions with police.

Cellphone video of the shooting went viral and led to weeks of peaceful protests in the city along the Columbia River.

Local prosecutors had also cleared officers Adrian Alaniz,

Ryan Flanagan and Adam Wright in the shooting.

The parents of Zambrano-Montes have filed a lawsuit in federal court contending the officers used excessive force. That case is scheduled for trial next May. Several other lawsuits have also been filed.

Officers Wright and Alaniz have returned to work. Flanagan has since left the department.

After the shooting, the Justice Department asked the Police Executive Research Forum to provide training and technical assistance to Pasco police.

The group has already conducted training for Pasco police, including a program to focus on building relationships between police and community members. The police department was also urged to develop a social media presence in both English and Spanish.

The report also found that community policing must be promoted despite competing concerns so that police can better deal with the city's various communities.

In a statement Pasco City Manager Dave Zabell said the report will help the department and community move forward.

"The department has been awaiting the publication of the report in order to complete contemplated policy updates, and the department has been holding off on significant updates for several months so that these recommendations can be considered as part of the update process," Zabell said.

# Eastern Oregon wildfire grows to 50 square miles

The Associated Press

will send a bill once that's done.

A wildfire spotted Sunday afternoon in Eastern Oregon has quickly become one of the state's largest active blazes.

Fire officials say the Cherry Road fire has scorched nearly 50 square miles of brush and grass near the Idaho state line.

Officials say the fire's size was reduced from 80 square miles due to better mapping.

Bureau of Land Management spokesman Larry Moore says the wildfire is burning two miles east of the Owyhee Reservoir and it's threatening Succor Creek State Park.

One hundred firefighters battled the fire Monday morning. Forecasters were expecting afternoon wind gusts of 25 mph.

The cause of the fire has yet to be determined.

Also in Eastern Oregon, firefighters have contained 35 percent of a large wildfire that started July 31 near Unity. The fire made a run toward the Table Rock Lookout late Sunday, spreading 300 yards in one minute. The lookout was spared — thanks to it being wrapped beforehand with aluminum sheets — but an old outhouse was destroyed.

## Men suspected of starting fire could get \$37M bill

Two men suspected of starting a wildfire last year that scorched 40 square miles of Oregon forestland could soon get a bill for at least \$37 million.

Jeff Bonebrake with the Oregon Department of Forestry says they're still finalizing firefighting costs for the 2015 Stouts Creek fire that burned east of Canyonville. The agency

The Oregonian/Oregon Live reports that fire investigators believe 70-year-old Dominic Decarlo, of Days Creek, and 64-year-old Cloyd Dearthoff, of Yuma, Arizona, used their lawnmowers during hours prohibited by fire restrictions when the blaze started July 30, 2015.

Kyle Reed with the Douglas Forest Protective Association says the men were cited for unlawful use of fire. Decarlo paid \$110 in fines and Dearthoff paid \$440.

But Oregon also holds individuals financially responsible for fire suppression costs.

The men could not be reached for comment. Bonebrake says people can challenge the costs or their responsibility in the fire.

## Arson suspected in at least 14 fires

State authorities and forest officials say at least 14 wildfires that have erupted across central Oregon over the last three weeks are believed to have been intentionally started.

Officials on Sunday did not release details on which fires were started by arsonists, but they are urging the public to report suspicious activity.

KTVZ-TV reports that authorities say it's too early to tell if one or several people have been starting the fires.

The Bend TV station and KOIN-TV in Portland did say officials have determined arson is to blame for the southern Oregon fire that has scorched more than 5 square miles. The blaze near Paisley, which started Wednesday, was reported to be about 65 percent contained Sunday.

## Oregon collects \$25.5M in pot taxes

SALEM (AP) — Oregon has processed \$25.5 million in tax payments from recreational marijuana from January through the end of July.

The state's Department of Revenue says medical marijuana dispensaries

were required to file their second-quarter returns for recreational marijuana by Aug. 1. Oregonians legalized recreational marijuana in late 2014.

But it can only be sold by medical marijuana dispensaries until the Oregon Liquor Control Commission finalizes rules for the new industry. That's expected to

happen by next year.

Medical marijuana dispensaries started collecting a 25 percent tax on their recreational marijuana sales in January.

Anticipated state revenue from recreational marijuana through June 2017 was recently quadrupled by Oregon's Legislative Revenue Office.

## Trump cancels stop

PORTLAND (AP) — Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump has canceled an Aug. 31 rally and fundraiser in Portland.

Trump's Oregon campaign director, Jacob G. Daniels, said the recent trip to visit flood-ravaged areas in Louisiana prompted scheduling changes.

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TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Delightful with plenty of sun	Mostly sunny and nice	Pleasant with abundant sunshine	Sunshine	Partly sunny; breezy in the p.m.
82° 51°	85° 51°	85° 48°	87° 54°	86° 55°
85° 46°	89° 49°	90° 48°	91° 57°	89° 59°

### ALMANAC

#### PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	74°	57°
Normals	86°	56°
Records	103° (1897)	37° (1904)

PRECIPITATION  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.07"  
Normal month to date 0.30"  
Year to date 7.39"  
Last year to date 4.99"  
Normal year to date 8.29"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	77°	58°
Normals	86°	56°
Records	103° (1946)	41° (1960)

PRECIPITATION  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.05"  
Normal month to date 0.14"  
Year to date 4.99"  
Last year to date 3.25"  
Normal year to date 6.09"

#### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 6:06 a.m.  
Sunset tonight 7:49 p.m.  
Moonrise today 11:03 p.m.  
Moonset today 12:20 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Aug 24	Sep 1	Sep 9	Sep 16

### REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Areas of low clouds, then sun today; pleasant across the north.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Mostly sunny and beautiful today. Clear tonight. Sunny much of the time tomorrow.

Western Washington: Mostly sunny today. Areas of low clouds early; otherwise, mostly sunny at the coast.

Eastern Washington: Partly sunny today. Clear tonight. A shower in places tomorrow afternoon.

Cascades: Plenty of sunshine today; warmer across the north.

Northern California: Low clouds followed by sunshine at the coast today; mostly sunny elsewhere.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	71	53	pc	79	56	s
Baker City	77	36	s	79	40	s
Bend	79	42	s	80	44	s
Brookings	68	50	pc	69	51	s
Burns	82	39	s	80	42	s
Enterprise	76	43	s	77	46	s
Eugene	84	50	s	93	52	s
Heppner	80	45	s	82	46	s
Hermiston	85	46	s	89	49	s
John Day	83	51	s	85	54	s
Klamath Falls	84	41	s	84	46	s
La Grande	79	40	s	81	46	s
Meacham	75	40	s	77	43	s
Medford	94	55	s	97	58	s
Newport	62	48	pc	67	54	s
North Bend	66	50	pc	68	51	s
Ontario	85	54	s	86	54	s
Pasco	85	51	s	89	54	s
Pendleton	82	51	s	85	51	s
Portland	83	58	s	92	61	s
Redmond	82	40	s	83	43	s
Salem	85	54	s	93	58	s
Spokane	78	55	pc	78	55	s
Ukiah	76	39	s	77	40	s
Vancouver	82	57	s	90	62	s
Walla Walla	83	56	s	85	57	s
Yakima	86	54	s	88	55	s

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	87	76	c	94	75	pc
Hong Kong	90	81	s	91	81	s
Jerusalem	86	70	s	86	71	s
London	84	66	pc	87	66	pc
Mexico City	73	54	t	71	54	pc
Moscow	81	63	t	69	55	c
Paris	89	64	s	95	66	s
Rome	88	68	s	87	67	s
Seoul	93	75	pc	93	76	pc
Sydney	63	51	r	59	49	s
Tokyo	86	78	r	86	79	t

### WINDS

(in mph)	TODAY	Wednesday
Boardman	VAR 3-6	NNE 6-12
Pendleton	NNW 4-8	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 WEATHER TODAY

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

National Summary: Storms will drench some areas from Florida and South Carolina to Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri today. Severe storms will affect the northern and central Plains. Storms will dot the interior Southwest.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High 107° in Imperial, Calif. Low 31° in Dillon, Colo.

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	83	58	c	80	57	t
Atlanta	90	73	t	88	71	t
Atlanta City	79	64	s	82	69	s
Baltimore	82	62	s	86	65	s
Billings	78	50	pc	66	48	pc
Birmingham	90	75	pc	90	74	pc
Boise	82	53	s	82	54	s
Boston	79	66	s	86	68	s
Charleston, SC	91	72	s	91	72	pc
Charleston, WV	86	64	s	87	70	pc
Chicago	81	67	s	82	70	t
Cleveland	84	65	s	89	73	pc
Dallas	93	74	pc	93	74	pc
Denver	85	55	pc	76	50	c
Detroit	83	64	s	85	73	pc
El Paso	88	67	t	89	66	t
Fairbanks	70	52	pc	68	54	c
Fargo	92	58	t	77	55	pc
Honolulu	88	75	sh	88	76	t
Houston	91	75	t	93	73	pc
Indianapolis	82	67	s	86	74	t
Jacksonville	91	75	t	90	72	pc
Kansas City	85	72	t	87	65	t
Las Vegas	99	80	pc	104	82	s
Little Rock	89	76	t	93	75	s
Los Angeles	82	64	pc	84	64	pc
Louisville	87	69	s	90	75	pc
Memphis	89	76	t	94	77	pc
Miami	93	78	pc	90	77	pc
Millwaukee	82	68	s	82	69	t
Minneapolis	85	69	pc	82	67	s
New York City	89	79	s	92	74	pc
New Orleans	93	79	t	92	80	t
New York City	80	67	s	85	69	s
Oklahoma City	87	73	pc	93	69	pc
Omaha	84	69	t	81	61	t
Philadelphia	83	65	s	87	67	s
Portland, ME	101	80	pc	102	79	s
Portland, OR	79	58	s	86	63	s
Providence	79	62	s	85	65	s
Raleigh	88	65	s	88	66	pc
Rapid City	82	51	s	72	46	pc
Reno	91	55	s	91	55	s
Sacramento	87	56	s	90	56	s
St. Louis	84	74	pc	91	75	t
Salt Lake City	89	59	pc	84	59	pc
San Diego	77	67	pc	77	67	pc
San Francisco	70	55	pc	65	55	pc
Seattle	79	58	s	85	60	s
Tucson	96	72	s	97	71	pc
Washington, DC	86	68	s	89	70	s
Wichita	88	74	t	87	67	t

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