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TODAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Periods of clouds and sun	Mostly cloudy	A shower in the morning	Cloudy, a shower in the p.m.	Warmer; a shower in the p.m.

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
51°	32°	54°	45°	51°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
52°	30°	53°	44°	54°
32°	45°	35°	43°	50°
30°	44°	34°	40°	47°
				56°

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PENDLETON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
49°	35°
Yesterday	
Normals	48° 33°
Records	75° (1908) 4° (2014)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.82"
Normal month to date 0.76"
Year to date 14.52"
Last year to date 10.69"
Normal year to date 10.75"

HERMISTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

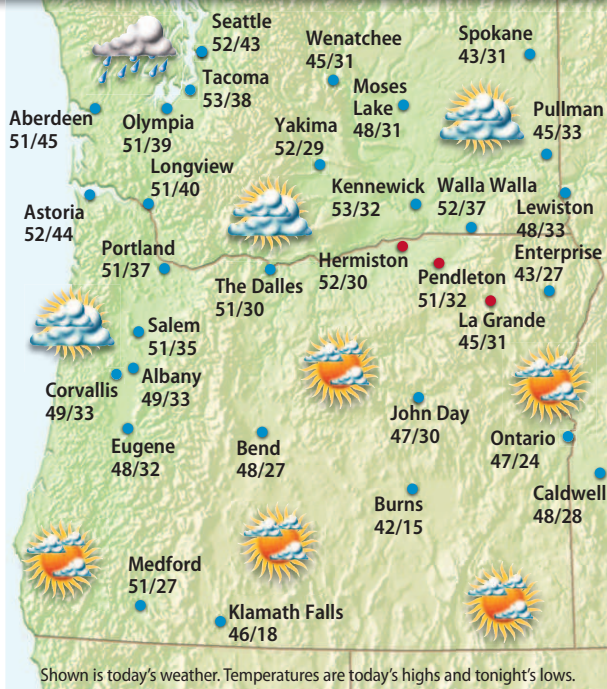
TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
52°	37°
Yesterday	
Normals	50° 33°
Records	73° (1932) 6° (1961)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. Trace
Month to date 0.62"
Normal month to date 0.64"
Year to date 8.42"
Last year to date 7.62"
Normal year to date 7.92"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today		Sunset tonight	
6:59 a.m.	4:21 p.m.	6:54 a.m.	5:01 p.m.

Moonset today			
New	First	Full	Last
Nov 18	Nov 26	Dec 3	Dec 9



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Clouds and sun today. Mainly clear in central parts tonight; low clouds elsewhere.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Intervals of clouds and sunshine today. Partly cloudy tonight.

Western Washington: Mostly cloudy today. Mainly cloudy tonight; a little rain at the coast.

Eastern Washington: Mostly cloudy today.

Cascades: Times of sun and clouds today; milder. Partly cloudy tonight.

Northern California: Partly sunny today. Mainly clear tonight; cold. Intervals of clouds and sun tomorrow.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	52	44	c	53	42	r
Baker City	45	22	pc	47	32	c
Bend	48	27	pc	52	40	pc
Brookings	53	41	pc	54	49	pc
Burns	42	15	pc	45	31	c
Enterprise	43	27	pc	47	35	c
Eugene	48	32	pc	53	44	r
Heppner	51	32	pc	53	43	c
Hermiston	52	30	pc	53	44	c
John Day	47	30	pc	51	41	c
Klamath Falls	46	18	pc	49	35	pc
La Grande	45	31	pc	48	37	c
Meacham	44	30	pc	47	37	c
Medford	51	27	pc	52	41	c
Newport	53	41	pc	53	46	r
North Bend	54	39	pc	56	47	r
Ontario	47	24	pc	46	34	pc
Pasco	54	31	pc	54	41	c
Pendleton	51	32	pc	54	45	c
Portland	51	37	pc	50	43	r
Redmond	50	24	pc	53	40	c
Salem	51	35	pc	54	45	r
Spokane	43	31	c	45	39	c
Ukiah	45	25	pc	49	37	c
Vancouver	50	37	pc	49	43	r
Walla Walla	52	37	pc	55	45	c
Yakima	52	29	c	51	38	c

WORLD CITIES

City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	41	21	s	44	23	c
Hong Kong	80	64	sh	73	63	c
Jerusalem	74	54	pc	68	50	pc
London	48	37	pc	47	43	pc
Mexico City	76	44	s	68	44	pc
Moscow	36	32	c	36	29	c
Paris	50	44	pc	49	37	pc
Rome	61	40	s	58	42	pc
Seoul	34	19	s	38	23	pc
Sydney	73	66	t	75	64	pc
Tokyo	61	45	r	52	41	pc

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Sunday
Boardman	WSW 3-6	SW 4-8
Pendleton	SW 4-8	SW 6-12

UV INDEX TODAY

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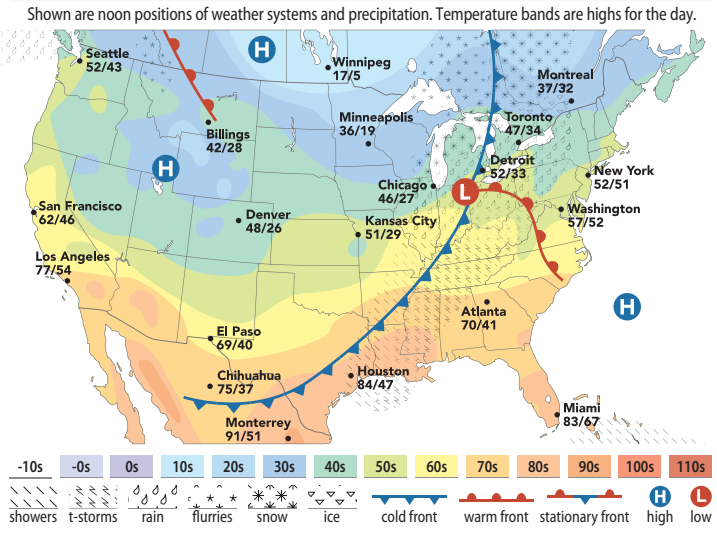
8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

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



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Sun.			City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	54	28	s	56	33	s	Louisville	65	35	r	43	28	pc
Atlanta	70	41	pc	53	32	s	Memphis	70	38	t	53	31	s
Atlanta City	59	53	pc	57	36	pc	Miami	83	67	s	85	68	s
Baltimore	54	49	pc	53	31	pc	Milwaukee	44	26	sn	36	29	pc
Billings	42	28	pc	47	35	pc	Minneapolis	36	19	pc	40	28	s
Birmingham	74	41	t	55	30	s	Nashville	69	37	t	48	27	s
Boise	47	29	pc	50	39	pc	New Orleans	81	51	pc	64	46	s
Boston	51	48	r	57	32	r	New York City	52	51	r	54	35	pc
Charleston, SC	75	58	pc	66	37	c	Oklahoma City	58	31	s	59	36	s
Charleston, WV	62	40	r	40	26	c	Omaha	48	26	s	54	34	s
Chicago	46	27	r	35	29	s	Philadelphia	54	50	r	56	34	pc
Cleveland	55	36	r	38	28	sn	Phoenix	80	53	pc	80	54	s
Dallas	71	41	s	65	41	s	Portland, ME	43	41	r	53	26	r
Denver	48	26	s	60	32	s	Providence	53	50	r	56	30	r
Detroit	52	33	r	39	28	sf	Raleigh	66	51	pc	58	31	s
El Paso	69	40	pc	67	40	s	Rapid City	46	22	s	55	30	r
Fairbanks	-5	-10	c	-5	-17	pc	Reno	52	26	s	59	39	r
Fargo	27	14	pc	41	23	s	Sacramento	61	36	s	61	47	pc
Honolulu	82	68	pc	83	68	s	St. Louis	64	30	sh	46	33	s
Houston	84	47	pc	68	43	s	Salt Lake City	44	27	pc	48	31	s
Indianapolis	60	30	r	37	27	pc	San Diego	72	55	s	71	55	pc
Jacksonville	79	60	pc	71	41	sh	San Francisco	62	46	s	61	53	pc
Kansas City	51	29	sh	52	38	s	Seattle	52	43	c	49	41	r
Las Vegas	63	41	pc	65	44	pc	Tucson	80	50	c	80	50	s
Little Rock	72	38	c	58	32	c	Washington, DC	57	52	pc	55	36	pc
Los Angeles	77	54	s	77	56	pc	Wichita	56	28	s	58	37	s

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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Ethics commission denies Kitzhaber settlement

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SALEM — The Oregon Government Ethics Commission on Friday voted 7-to-1 to deny a proposed settlement in which former Gov. John Kitzhaber agreed to pay \$1,000 to resolve ethics complaints that he and first lady Sylvia Hayes used their public positions for profit, failed to disclose conflicts of interest and inappropriately accepted gifts.

Kitzhaber on Wednesday admitted he violated state ethics laws on four occasions and said he did so unintentionally. The former governor said he did not disclose a conflict of interest related to Hayes' paid consulting contracts based on the advice of his attorney at the time.

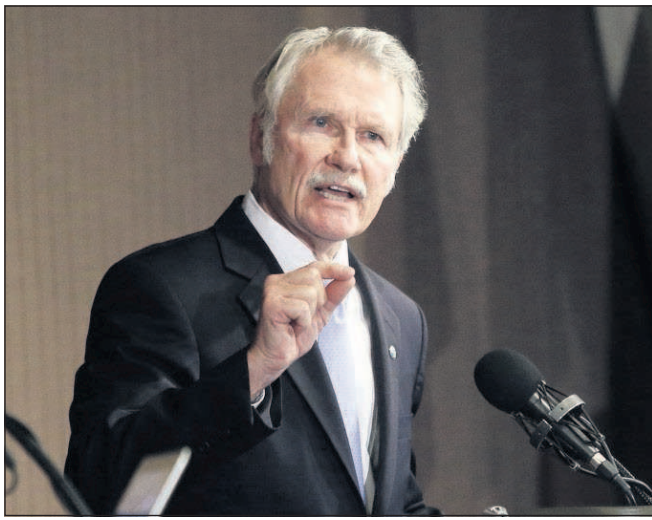
Kitzhaber said he was surprised by the commission's decision, because ethics commission staff members had proposed the terms of the agreement. He had made no further comment as of press time Friday.

News of the proposed settlement earlier this week spawned criticism that the penalty was too lenient on Kitzhaber's missteps during his role as the state's highest elected official.

Several ethics commissioners said they wanted to require Kitzhaber to pay a more severe fine given the former governor's high-profile position. Accepting the settlement could threaten the legitimacy of the watchdog agency, they asserted.

"That is really troubling to me that we are excusing the behavior of the highest official of our state because he sought counsel," said Commissioner Charles Starr. "I think a larger fine is necessary for our reputation as a commission ... because anybody serving at the highest level has a greater responsibility to the public."

Commission Chairman Dan Golden was the



Don Ryan/Associated Press

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dissenting vote in the rejection of the settlement. He said the \$1,000 sanction was appropriate, based on the commission's formula for calculating fines. Kitzhaber had no prior ethics violations, which factored into the recommended penalty, said Ron Bersin, commission executive director.

The proposed settlement "treated this former governor like we do other officials at a higher level," Golden said. "There is no amount that addresses the loss of credibility and the things associated with the fall of this public figure."

Friday's denial means that ethics investigators will write a report on the findings of their probe of the allegations. Once submitted to the commission, the report becomes a public record.

Settlement negotiations could continue simultaneously.

The proposed settlement, which Kitzhaber signed, stated that he violated Oregon law four times by benefiting from frequent flier miles he accrued from state travel between 2011 and 2013 and failing to disclose conflicts of interest related to Hayes' consulting company in 2013.

The company, 3E Strategies, received paid consulting contracts from 2011 to 2013.

In a statement Wednesday, Kitzhaber said he accepted full responsibility for the violations.

"I apologize to Oregonians for failing to disclose a potential conflict of interest, although the ethical violations at issue were wholly unintentional," Kitzhaber said.

"In the case reviewed by the Ethics Commission, I did not perceive a conflict of interest because I understood the work that Ms. Hayes was doing for various non-profit organizations was not directed at trying to shape or influence state policy but, rather, to educate people regarding the issues to which she had committed her professional career."

Kitzhaber argued that he also received advice from his attorney that he did not need to disclose a potential conflict.

Ethics Commissioner Alison Kean said she would like to see evidence of that legal advice, which had not been revealed to date as part of the investigation.

The commission voted unanimously in July to pursue an official investigation of the former governor and his fiancée.

The agency in February 2015 had suspended a preliminary review of three complaints of alleged ethics violations against the couple, triggered by pending state and federal investigations.

Kitzhaber and Hayes had been under criminal investigation for more than two years after *Willamette Week* reported the first lady may have used her position to win several consulting contracts. The scandal eventually prompted Kitzhaber to resign from office in February 2015.

The commission resumed its ethics investigation in late June after the U.S. Attorney's Office announced no criminal charges would be filed against the couple.

OHA director details \$112M in possible Medicaid errors

By CLAIRE WITHYCOMBE
Capital Bureau

SALEM — Oregon may have erroneously paid, allocated, inaccurately recorded or over-claimed \$112.4 million in health care funds, according to a letter Oregon Health Authority Director Pat Allen sent to Oregon Gov. Kate Brown Friday.

That figure is on top of the state's estimated overpayment of \$74 million to coordinated care organizations, or CCOs, the state's regional networks of Medicaid providers, between 2014 and 2016.

Allen's letter follows his statement to legislators this week that the state was likely to see more processing problems come out of the state's health agency.

"...We note that this is likely not an exhaustive and final list of all known issues facing the agency," Allen wrote Friday. "It is also likely that the details of these issues will evolve as we research them and consult in more detail with subject matter experts."

Allen documented two main types of issues: those relating to \$44.5 million in possible payment errors; and issues relating to the allocation of about \$67.9 million of funds, which range from charging the wrong section of the state's budget to claiming federal