

## AccuWeather Forecast

**TODAY** **FRIDAY** **SATURDAY** **SUNDAY** **MONDAY**

Breezy and cooler with rain An afternoon shower in spots Mostly cloudy and cool An afternoon shower in places Partly sunny and remaining cool

**PENDELTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST**  
 60° 33° 54° 33° 51° 29° 50° 32° 50° 31°

**HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST**  
 62° 34° 55° 34° 55° 29° 56° 33° 57° 32°

### ALMANAC

#### PENDELTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	60°	43°
Normals	56°	36°
Records	78° (1915)	19° (1913)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	Trace
Month to date	0.94"
Normal month to date	0.92"
Year to date	3.27"
Last year to date	5.26"
Normal year to date	3.43"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

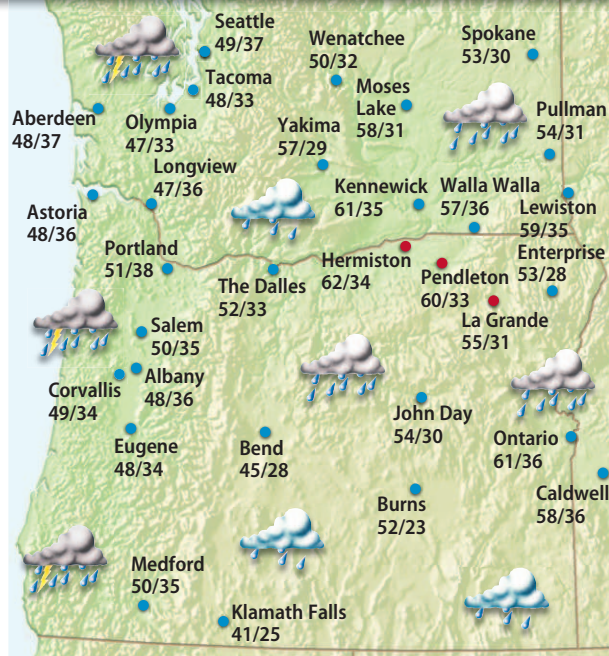
TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	61°	37°
Normals	59°	35°
Records	78° (1934)	20° (1944)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.43"
Normal month to date	0.64"
Year to date	2.06"
Last year to date	4.31"
Normal year to date	2.88"

#### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	6:55 a.m.
Sunset tonight	7:10 p.m.
Moonrise today	10:07 a.m.
Moonset today	12:01 a.m.



### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** A couple of showers with a thunderstorm later today, except a shower in the south.

**Eastern Washington:** Periods of rain today.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** Breezy today with periods of rain.

**Cascades:** Periods of wet snow today, accumulating 3-6 inches. More snow showers likely tonight.

**Northern California:** Showers today; snow showers, accumulating 1-3 inches in the interior mountains.

**Western Washington:** Periods of rain today, except a couple of showers and a thunderstorm at the coast.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	48	36	t	47	35	r
Baker City	55	27	r	50	27	c
Bend	45	28	sh	42	22	c
Brookings	47	40	c	46	38	r
Burns	52	23	r	45	21	c
Enterprise	53	28	r	46	27	c
Eugene	48	34	r	44	31	r
Heppner	57	32	r	50	30	c
Hermiston	62	34	r	55	34	c
John Day	54	30	r	47	26	c
Klamath Falls	41	25	sh	40	22	sn
La Grande	55	31	r	50	29	c
Meacham	53	27	r	47	28	c
Medford	50	35	r	50	31	r
Newport	47	38	t	46	36	r
North Bend	49	39	t	46	37	r
Ontario	61	36	r	56	37	pc
Pasco	62	32	r	56	33	c
Pendleton	60	33	r	54	33	c
Portland	51	38	r	48	36	r
Redmond	48	26	sh	46	22	c
Salem	50	35	r	46	33	r
Spokane	53	30	r	45	32	c
Ukiah	52	26	r	46	25	c
Vancouver	48	38	r	47	35	r
Walla Walla	57	36	r	53	35	c
Yakima	57	29	sh	53	29	c

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	64	40	s	67	40	pc
Hong Kong	73	64	s	74	67	s
Jerusalem	79	59	pc	83	62	pc
London	53	42	c	55	41	r
Mexico City	77	49	pc	80	52	pc
Moscow	32	24	c	37	18	c
Paris	47	36	c	45	41	r
Rome	55	35	c	54	37	s
Seoul	51	32	pc	51	36	s
Sydney	73	68	sh	73	67	sh
Tokyo	62	48	pc	57	47	sh

### WINDS

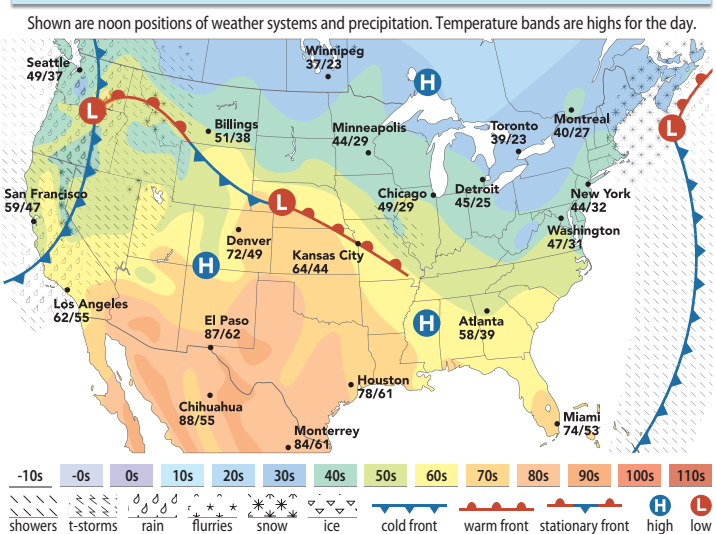
	Today	Friday
(in mph)	W 10-20	SSW 7-14
<b>Boardman</b>	W 10-20	SSW 7-14
<b>Pendleton</b>	SW 10-20	WSW 7-14

### UV INDEX TODAY



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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



**National Summary:** The nor'easter will end in coastal New England today as dry, chilly air invades the East. A storm will bring heavy rain and high-country snow from California to Washington with lesser rain and snow inland.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
**High 89°** in Thermal, Calif. **Low -9°** in Clayton Lake, Maine

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.				Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	77	53	c	70	42	pc	Louisville	50	32	s	53	38	c
Atlanta	58	39	s	63	49	pc	Memphis	63	48	pc	68	59	pc
Atlanta City	44	31	pc	43	29	pc	Miami	74	53	s	76	60	s
Baltimore	45	26	pc	43	24	pc	Milwaukee	43	28	s	40	31	pc
Billings	51	38	c	52	31	c	Minneapolis	44	29	pc	44	28	c
Birmingham	62	41	s	66	52	pc	Nashville	57	39	s	57	48	pc
Boise	58	37	sh	54	38	c	New Orleans	69	53	s	77	64	pc
Boston	42	30	c	43	31	pc	New York City	44	32	pc	43	31	pc
Charleston, SC	61	38	pc	64	44	pc	Oklahoma City	75	56	pc	79	55	pc
Charleston, WV	46	27	pc	48	27	s	Omaha	62	39	pc	55	35	r
Chicago	49	29	s	44	33	s	Philadelphia	42	28	pc	41	29	pc
Cleveland	39	23	pc	38	22	s	Phoenix	88	65	c	82	60	pc
Dallas	80	61	pc	81	67	pc	Portland, ME	39	27	sn	43	30	pc
Denver	72	49	pc	70	36	c	Providence	44	31	c	45	32	pc
Detroit	45	25	s	45	25	s	Raleigh	52	30	pc	57	31	s
El Paso	87	62	c	85	61	pc	Rapid City	48	34	c	56	25	c
Fairbanks	26	7	s	31	8	s	Reno	54	32	r	52	34	c
Fargo	41	27	s	38	28	sn	Sacramento	63	38	r	59	44	c
Honolulu	81	69	c	80	71	c	St. Louis	50	40	sh	51	46	c
Houston	78	61	pc	82	68	pc	Salt Lake City	64	45	sh	62	46	sh
Indianapolis	47	28	s	49	31	c	San Diego	67	58	r	64	55	pc
Jacksonville	65	38	s	69	44	pc	San Francisco	59	47	sh	59	49	pc
Kansas City	64	44	s	63	47	r	Seattle	49	37	r	51	36	r
Las Vegas	68	54	sh	72	53	pc	Tucson	92	58	c	82	54	pc
Little Rock	68	48	pc	75	60	pc	Washington, DC	47	31	pc	47	29	pc
Los Angeles	62	55	r	66	51	pc	Wichita	72	52	pc	80	50	pc

**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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# Initiative would ban 'assault weapon' sales

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A group of interfaith leaders has filed paperwork for an initiative petition to ban the sale and transfer of assault-style weapons and high-capacity magazines with the Secretary of State's Office.

The proposal would allow gun owners who legally obtained such weapons to keep them so long as they register the weapon with Oregon State Police and pass a background check, according to the text of Initiative Petition 42.

"People who legally own assault rifles or large-capacity magazines will not be required to surrender their firearms but will be permitted to register their firearms with the state," said Penny Okamoto, executive director of Ceasefire Oregon.

Violation of the law would be a Class B felony.

"The people of the state of Oregon find and declare that a reduction in the availability of assault weapons and large-capacity ammunition magazines will promote the public health and safety of the residents of this state," the initiative petition states.

If passed, the proposed measure would ban the sale of semiautomatic rifles



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

**A selection of long rifles lines the wall in the sporting goods section of the D&B supply store in Pendleton. An initiative petition seeks to put a measure on the ballot that would ban the sale most military-style semiautomatic rifles and semiautomatic pistols accepting magazines holding more than 10 rounds of ammunition.**

that have any of a number of military-style features, such as a pistol grip or a telescopic stock.

It would ban the sale of any semiautomatic rifle, pistol or shotgun that accepts detachable magazines holding more than 10 rounds.

Restrictions on gun ownership have proven a divisive issue in Oregon. Yet a relatively recent public opinion shift in favor of more gun restrictions and national student activism for more gun control buoyed the group of interfaith leaders to accelerate the timeline for the ballot measure, said W.J. Mark Knutson, pastor of Augustana Lutheran

Church in Portland and one of the initiative's three chief sponsors.

The group had originally planned to propose the measure for the November 2020 ballot.

Another round of rallies for gun control in Washington, D.C., and in cities across the country is scheduled for Saturday, March 24. Sixty-eight percent of all adults (and 48 percent of adults who are gun owners) approve of banning assault-style weapons, according to a survey last year by Pew Research Center.

Petitioners must gather 88,184 valid signatures by July 6 to land on this year's November ballot.

# Wood panel fails during construction at OSU

**CORVALLIS (AP) —** Construction on portions of the new College of Forestry building at Oregon State University has been halted after a large section of subflooring made of cross-laminated timber gave way between the second and third stories.

University spokesman Steve Clark said no one was injured in the March 14 incident at Peavy Hall, the *Corvallis Gazette-Times* reported. He said the university plans to hire an engineering firm to determine a cause and to evaluate whether any other cross-laminated structural elements in the building are at risk.

He said the placement of cross-laminated timber panels will resume when the evaluation is completed, and there are no plans to switch to more conventional materials. The building technique involves using solid wood

panels to frame a structure's walls, floors and roof. It has been used for years in Europe, but is relatively new in the United States.

The panels are lighter and much faster to assemble on-site than regular timber. Because the grain in each layer is at a right angle to the one below and above it, there's a counter-tension built into the panels that supporters say makes them strong enough to build skyscrapers.

There is hope that CLT will infuse struggling forest communities with new economic growth, while reducing the carbon footprint of urban construction with a renewable building material.

The three-story Peavy Hall will eventually become the new home of the OSU College of Forestry and is intended to be a showcase for the Oregon timber industry.

The project, however, has been unpopular with some

students and faculty, who say the original Peavy Hall, demolished two years ago, could have been renovated for much less than \$79.5 million.

Anthony Davis, the college's acting dean, said he did not expect the failure of the CLT panel to increase the project's cost or significantly delay its completion, which is scheduled for early next year.

He said he still believes the completed Peavy Hall will serve as a compelling showcase for Oregon's wood products industry.

"I know the capacity we have, I know the strength of Douglas fir and I am confident in our ability to continue to lead in the development of this material for use in midrise or high-rise buildings," Davis said.

The failure involved a cross-laminated timber panel manufactured by a firm in Riddle, Oregon.

## BRIEFLY

### Oregon agency agrees to \$1.3M settlement for foster child

**PORTLAND —** Oregon's child welfare agency