

AccuWeather Forecast

TODAY Partly sunny and hot
102° 68°

WEDNESDAY Hot with sunshine
96° 64°

THURSDAY Sunny, breezy and pleasant
88° 58°

FRIDAY Mostly sunny and nice
84° 56°

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SATURDAY Sunny and beautiful
84° 57°

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

102° 68° 96° 64° 88° 58° 84° 56° 84° 57°

HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

105° 69° 100° 64° 91° 60° 87° 55° 88° 53°

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PENDLETON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 103°	63°
Normals 90°	60°
Records 107° (1929)	40° (1933)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.35"
Year to date 6.49"
Last year to date 11.30"
Normal year to date 7.93"

HERMISTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

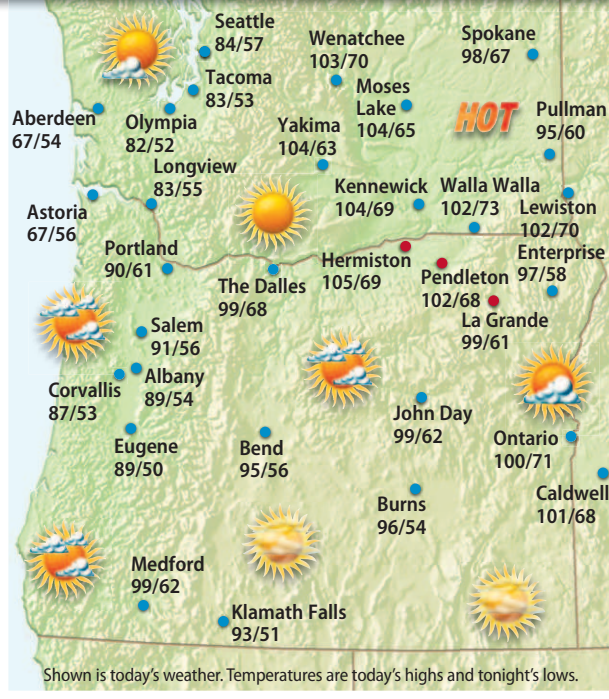
TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 102°	59°
Normals 90°	60°
Records 106° (2003)	46° (1953)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.21"
Year to date 5.10"
Last year to date 6.59"
Normal year to date 5.91"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:37 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:25 p.m.
Moonrise today	10:33 p.m.
Moonset today	9:19 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 26



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Partly sunny today, except sun and areas of low clouds across the north.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Hazy sunshine and hot today; however, sunnier near the Cascades.

Western Washington: Sunny to partly cloudy today; however, low clouds at the coast.

Eastern Washington: Partly sunny today, except sunnier toward the Cascades. Mainly clear tonight.

Cascades: Abundant sunshine today. Mainly clear tonight. Pleasant tomorrow with sunshine.

Northern California: Sunny at the coast today. Hot in central areas with a high fire threat and area of smoke.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	67	56	c	65	57	pc
Baker City	100	57	pc	97	52	s
Bend	95	56	s	91	49	s
Brookings	62	51	pc	61	51	pc
Burns	96	54	pc	95	47	s
Enterprise	97	58	pc	92	54	s
Eugene	89	50	s	85	51	s
Heppner	99	67	s	94	61	s
Hermiston	105	69	s	100	64	s
John Day	99	62	pc	95	58	s
Klamath Falls	93	51	pc	89	45	pc
La Grande	99	61	pc	94	56	s
Meacham	97	57	pc	91	53	s
Medford	99	62	pc	95	57	pc
Newport	61	54	pc	60	54	pc
North Bend	67	55	pc	64	56	pc
Ontario	100	71	pc	102	69	s
Pasco	103	65	s	99	59	s
Pendleton	102	68	pc	96	64	s
Portland	90	61	s	86	60	s
Redmond	98	53	s	93	46	s
Salem	91	56	s	87	55	s
Spokane	98	67	pc	93	62	s
Ukiah	96	54	pc	91	51	s
Vancouver	89	57	s	85	57	s
Walla Walla	102	73	pc	97	67	s
Yakima	104	63	s	97	56	s

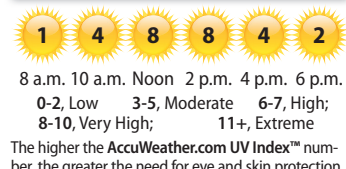
WORLD CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	96	80	s	95	78	s
Hong Kong	91	82	sh	90	81	c
Jerusalem	84	66	s	84	68	s
London	77	55	pc	78	57	pc
Mexico City	76	56	t	76	53	t
Moscow	76	57	s	80	60	s
Paris	83	64	pc	87	65	pc
Rome	90	72	s	91	72	s
Seoul	98	80	s	99	82	s
Sydney	71	50	s	68	46	s
Tokyo	90	80	pc	93	82	s

WINDS

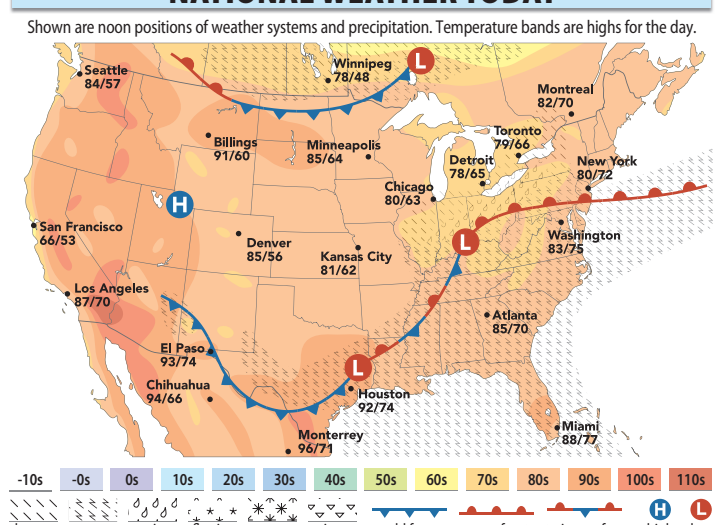
	Today	Wednesday
Boardman	WSW 4-8	WSW 8-16
Pendleton	W 6-12	W 8-16

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



National Summary: Areas of torrential rain, locally gusty thunderstorms and isolated flooding are in store for the eastern third of the nation today. Most areas from the Plains to the Pacific coast will be dry and sunny.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 115° in Needles, Calif. Low 30° in West Yellowstone, Mont.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.				Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	88	67	t	93	68	pc	Louisville	81	67	t	83	66	t
Atlanta	85	70	t	80	67	pc	Memphis	82	67	c	85	67	pc
Atlanta City	79	75	c	85	75	t	Miami	88	77	pc	89	78	t
Baltimore	83	73	c	86	72	t	Milwaukee	79	64	pc	82	68	c
Billings	91	60	pc	91	64	s	Minneapolis	85	64	s	79	56	t
Birmingham	83	70	t	82	68	t	Nashville	82	65	t	85	67	pc
Boise	102	71	pc	102	66	s	New Orleans	88	74	t	86	73	t
Boston	81	71	pc	85	76	c	New York City	80	72	c	85	74	t
Charleston, SC	86	76	pc	87	76	t	Oklahoma City	82	60	s	86	65	s
Charleston, WV	81	68	t	80	66	t	Omaha	84	64	s	89	65	s
Chicago	80	63	pc	83	67	c	Philadelphia	84	74	c	87	75	t
Cleveland	79	67	r	78	66	t	Phoenix	107	87	pc	110	86	pc
Dallas	90	70	pc	93	68	s	Portland, ME	81	65	pc	77	68	sh
Denver	85	56	s	84	58	pc	Providence	81	70	pc	84	75	t
Detroit	78	65	sh	82	64	sh	Raleigh	83	71	t	86	71	t
El Paso	93	74	t	96	76	pc	Rapid City	83	58	s	81	60	s
Fairbanks	82	60	pc	69	54	r	Reno	100	66	pc	99	61	s
Fargo	89	59	pc	73	47	pc	Sacramento	94	58	pc	92	56	s
Honolulu	88	76	pc	87	78	pc	St. Louis	80	65	t	86	67	pc
Houston	92	74	t	95	75	pc	Salt Lake City	98	73	pc	96	72	t
Indianapolis	76	64	r	80	64	t	San Diego	82	73	pc	82	72	pc
Jacksonville	87	75	pc	88	74	t	San Francisco	66	53	pc	66	53	pc
Kansas City	81	62	pc	87	65	s	Seattle	84	57	s	79	57	pc
Las Vegas	104	87	pc	107	88	t	Tucson	98	78	pc	101	79	pc
Little Rock	83	65	t	87	63	s	Washington, DC	83	75	c	88	74	pc
Los Angeles	87	70	pc	87	70	pc	Wichita	85	62	s	89	65	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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Supreme Court ruling in union dues impacts Oregon case

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SALEM — An Oregon state employee and a labor union have reached a settlement over her lawsuit seeking payback of obligatory union fees, marking the first refund of forced fees since the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in late June that government workers can't be required to contribute to labor groups, the employee's lawyers said Monday.

Debora Nearman, an employee of Department of Fish and Wildlife, said in her lawsuit filed in April in federal court that the state's practice of forcing her to pay fees to fund union activity violated her First Amendment freedoms on religion, expression, assembly, and the right to petition.

She also said the Service Employees International Union, or SEIU, opposes her political and religious views;

and even led a campaign against her husband when he ran as a Republican candidate for the state Legislature. Nearman is a member of a state-wide bargaining unit represented by SEIU but doesn't belong to the union.

The National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, which was involved in both the Supreme Court case and Nearman's, is handling some 200 other cases across the country, including a class-action lawsuit in California by 30,000 state employees, said Patrick Semmens, the group's vice president.

If the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rules in favor of the plaintiffs in the California case, they stand to be refunded more than \$100 million, Semmens estimated.

Melissa Unger, executive director of SEIU Local 503 in Oregon, said the union chose to settle Nearman's lawsuit rather than

go through a costly and time-consuming legal battle.

"The settlement we entered into last week was about being the best stewards of our members' dues money as possible, period," Unger said in a statement.

The Oregon branch of the nationwide SEIU claims 72,000 members who work in state, local government, nonprofit agencies and higher education. Its spokeswoman, Jill Bakken, said the Supreme Court's ruling that eliminated obligatory fees has led to a drop in membership "well within our expectations."

"While we're not sure what the long-term impacts will be yet — the case is still relatively new — we're very encouraged," Bakken said.

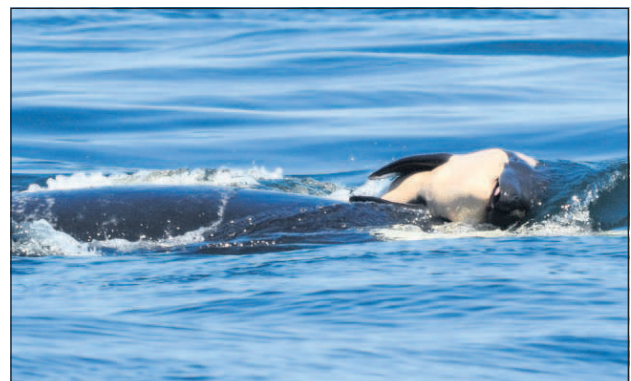
Nearman, whose husband Mike Nearman is a member of the Oregon House of Representatives, will be refunded \$3,000 she paid over two years. A statute of

limitations prevented her from recovering earlier payments, Semmens said.

The Supreme Court ruling on June 27 involved Illinois state government worker Mark Janus, who argued that everything unions do, including bargaining with the state, is political and employees should not be forced to pay for it.

"The Janus case said it violates public employees' First Amendment rights to be forced to fund a labor union," Semmens said. "This (Oregon) case takes the precedent and follows it to its logical conclusion."

The fact that SEIU spent \$53,260 to oppose Mike Nearman's candidacy by campaigning against him and distributing fliers that disparaged him "it's a vivid example of why people frequently don't want to fund a labor union," Semmens said.



Michael Weiss/Center for Whale Research via AP
In this photo taken July 24, a baby orca whale is being pushed by her mother after being born off the Canada coast near Victoria, British Columbia.

Orca carries dead calf for week during 'deep grieving'

SEATTLE (AP) — An endangered orca that spends time in the waters of the Pacific Northwest is still carrying her dead calf one week after it died.

Experts with the Whale Museum on San Juan Island have been monitoring the 20-year-old whale, known as J35, since her calf died shortly after birth Tuesday. For days now, the whale has been balancing the dead calf on her forehead or pushing it the sur-

face of the water.

Jenny Atkinson, the museum's executive director, says the orca was still carrying her dead calf on Monday afternoon.

Atkinson says the orca and her pod are going through "a deep grieving process."

The calf was the first in three years to be born to the dwindling population of endangered southern resident killer whales. There are only 75.

Portland homeless shelter project already over budget

PORTLAND (AP) — A push to open a homeless shelter in downtown Portland, Oregon, has run into budget issues over the cost of cleaning up the site where it's planned.

Soil at the location beneath the Broadway Bridge is contaminated from nearby railroad tracks and must be covered with a protective cap estimated to cost \$170,000, according to city

documents.

Lisa Marandas, deputy director of Oregon Harbor of Hope, said the developer-run nonprofit overseeing the project has blown past its \$100,000 budget for site cleanup and spent "in the \$600,000 range."

"The costs are starting to rise and we're looking at every avenue we can," she told Portland's development commission at its July

meeting.

Mayor Ted Wheeler said he is aware of the issue.

Columbia Businesswear CEO Tim Boyle announced in April that he had donated \$1.5 million for the project. A spokesman for Boyle

declined to comment Friday, *The Oregonian*/OregonLive reported.

Project backers set an aggressive timeline, saying the shelter would open this fall. Marandas said they are still hoping to make that

deadline.

So far, no work has started to erect structures.

A representative of Wheeler signaled the city will cut its losses if the project doesn't work out.

"We're not going to throw good money after bad ... if it doesn't pencil, it doesn't pencil," Berk Nelson, a senior adviser to Wheeler, told the development commission.

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