

# Governor appoints Judge Garrett to Oregon Supreme Court

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The Oregon Court of Appeals judge who authored the opinion upholding the state law prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation has been appointed to the Oregon Supreme Court.

Chris Garrett, a former Lake Oswego lawmaker, was appointed Christmas Eve by Gov. Kate Brown to succeed Justice Rives Kistler. Kistler is retiring.

"Judge Garrett has quickly earned a reputation as an intellectual leader of the Court of Appeals," said Kate Kondayan, Brown's press secretary.

A year ago, Garrett wrote the opinion upholding enforcement of the state's anti-discrimination law against Melissa and Aaron Klein, Gresham bakery owners, who refused to sell a wedding cake to a same-sex couple in 2013 based on their religious objections.

Garrett wrote that baking a cake for any customer requires "compliance with a neutral law." Refusing to do so because of a customer's sexual orientation violates the state's anti-discrimination law and curtails their right to free speech, according to the opinion.

The case drew national headlines in part for the severity of the fine against the bakers but also as a milestone for gay rights.

The Kleins were ordered to pay \$135,000 to Rachel and Laurel Bowman-Cryer in 2015 after the state Bureau of Labor and Industries found the bakers violated the state anti-discrimination law.

Garrett's appointment is effective Jan. 1. "He brings to our high court the experience of a respected civil litigator, an effective state legislator and a productive appellate judge. His brilliant mind and collegial style will be tremendous assets to the court and the people of Oregon," Brown said in announcing his pick.

Garrett is Brown's fifth Supreme Court appointment. She appointed Lynn Nakamoto, the court's first Asian Pacific American, in 2015, Meagan Flynn and Rebecca Duncan, whose appointment gave the court its first female majority, both in 2017, and Adrienne Nelson, the court's first African American, in January 2018.

Kondayan said Garrett would be the only justice who served as a state legislator.

His background in the Legislature "provides important perspective on the court's cases that interpret legislation and adjudicate the separation of powers," she said.

Garrett was appointed to the Court of Appeals by then-Gov. John Kitzhaber in 2014. He served as a state representative from Lake Oswego and southwest Portland from 2009 to 2013.

He brokered a bipartisan redistricting plan and championed a state law to keep people out of prison and in social and support services.

He graduated from Reed College and the University of Chicago Law School.

He teaches as an adjunct professor at Willamette University College of Law and volunteers as a judge for the Classroom Law Project.

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Garrett

# Recycling rate short of 2020 goal

SALEM (AP) — Oregon is unlikely to reach its goal of recycling and recovering 52 percent of the waste generated in the state by 2020.

The Statesman Journal reports that Oregonians recycled and recovered about 42.8 percent of all waste in the state in 2017. That's just a slight increase from the state's 42.2 percent rate in 2016.

The state's lackluster performance emerged in a report released last week by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

The rate in the annual report reflects the waste that is recovered through recycling and other means, including composting and incinerating to generate energy.

Peter Spendelow, waste reduction specialist with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, said it's not realistic that the state will meet the 2020 recycling goal.

The change in the state's recycling fortunes came from



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Stacks of baled cardboard sit ready to be shipped out at Sanitary Disposal Inc. on Nov. 30, 2017, in Hermiston.

unanticipated circumstances. The 2015 closure of a paper mill in Newberg that handled large amounts of wood waste has dragged down the state's rate. Other mills have stopped accepting wood waste because of strict federal air quality rules, Spendelow said.

As a result, more contractors are taking their construction waste to landfills, at a time when the overall waste generated in Oregon is

on the rise amid a booming economy.

The prospect of missing the 2020 goal doesn't mean recycling machinery is idling. In 2017, Oregon recovered 2.3 million tons of waste for recycling, energy and composting.

Overall, Oregonians put 5.4 million tons of waste into garbage and recycling bins. That's up 2.7 percent from 2016, but still below a pre-recession peak in 2006.

# Rogue Pack wolves take down seventh cow at Jackson County ranch

MEDFORD (AP) — Authorities say gray wolf OR-7's Rogue Pack has killed another cow at a northeastern Jackson County ranch, marking the seventh confirmed livestock kill attributed to the pack since late October.

The Mail Tribune reports that the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife reports that the dead and partially consumed cow was found Sunday on a ranch in the Boundary Butte area where the Rogue Pack has killed before, but a report did not identify the ranch.

The Boundary Butte area is in the vicinity of rancher Ted Birdseye, who has lost at least four cows and a guard dog that were confirmed as wolf kills in

the Rogue Pack's home range so far in 2018.

In Sunday's case, a livestock producer discovered one of his 8-month-old, 550-pound calves dead in private-land grass pasture that morning, and an ODFW biologist estimated it had been dead anywhere from 12 to 48 hours, according to an ODFW report.

Extensive feeding was discovered on the hind-quarters and internal organs, but the carcass and hide were largely intact, the report states.

Tooth scrapes and bite marks were found on the hind legs and multiple deep bites on the neck, the report states.

Along with other evi-

dence, the biologist concluded the wounds and muscle trauma "are clear signs of predator attack and the size, number and location of the bite injuries are similar to injuries observed in calves attacked by wolves," the report states.

The report states that the Rogue Pack previously had killed livestock on that particular property, but it provides no other detail.

One other cow was killed on the ranch in November, and one of Birdseye's guard dogs was killed in a wolf attack in mid-November, according to the ODFW. Four head of cattle killed in October in Klamath County were also attributed to the Rogue Pack.

# Crater Lake, Mount Rainier limited after government shutdown

SALEM (AP) — Access to Crater Lake and Mount Rainier national parks will be limited due to the government shutdown.

The Statesman Journal reports the lapse in federal funding prompted Crater Lake managers to close the visitor's center, cancel ranger-guided snowshoe trips

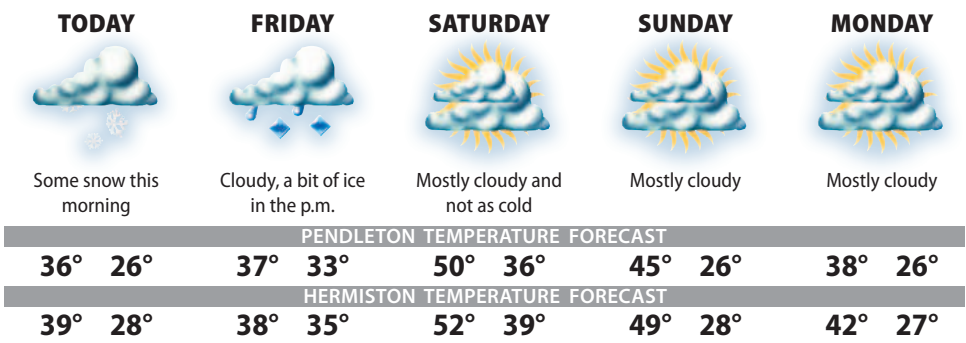
and close the road to the lake's rim.

Mount Rainier closed its road to popular winter recreation destination Paradise.

Both places remain technically open but, as with most national parks and monuments, there will be almost no services, including search and rescue.

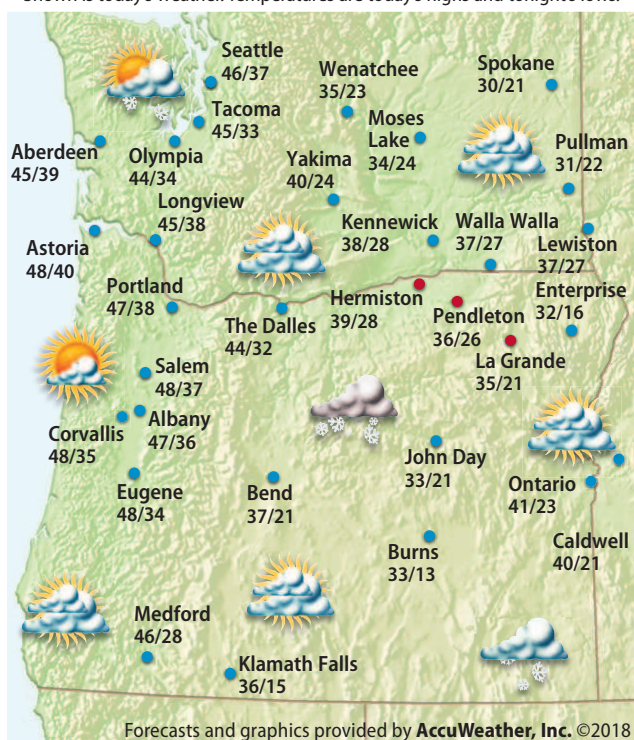
The federal government shutdown will impact the more than 400 national parks and monuments. In Oregon, that includes John Day Fossil Beds and Oregon Caves national monuments, in addition to Lewis and Clark National Historical Park.

## Forecast for Pendleton Area



## OREGON FORECAST

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



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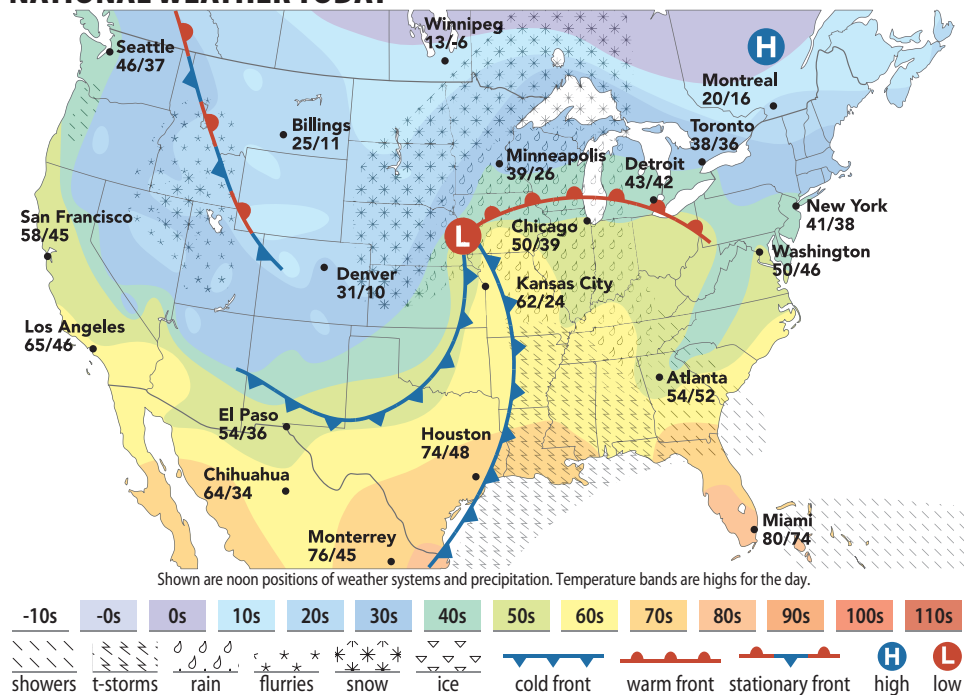
PENDLETON through 3 p.m. yest.			
TEMP.	HIGH	LOW	
Yesterday	38°	31°	
Normals	39°	25°	
Records	67° (1980)	-9° (1924)	
PRECIPITATION			
24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.05"		
Month to date	1.29"		
Normal month to date	1.33"		
Year to date	10.16"		
Last year to date	16.24"		
Normal year to date	12.80"		
HERMISTON through 3 p.m. yest.			
TEMP.	HIGH	LOW	
Yesterday	40°	33°	
Normals	39°	27°	
Records	67° (1980)	5° (1948)	
PRECIPITATION			
24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.04"		
Month to date	0.66"		
Normal month to date	1.24"		
Year to date	7.62"		
Last year to date	9.29"		
Normal year to date	9.71"		
WINDS (in mph)			
Today	Fri.		
Boardman	SW 3-6	SSW 4-8	
Pendleton	W 4-8	SSW 4-8	
SUN AND MOON			
Sunrise today	7:35 a.m.		
Sunset tonight	4:17 p.m.		
Moonrise today	10:37 p.m.		
Moonset today	11:21 a.m.		
Last	New	First	Full
Dec 29	Jan 5	Jan 13	Jan 20

## NATIONAL EXTREMES

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)

High 84° in Zapata, Texas Low -22° in Stanley, Idaho

## NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



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