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Ariana Samples competes in the shot put for Joseph Saturday, May 15, 2021, at the Jo-Hi Invite.



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Joseph's Keelan McBurney releases a discus throw Saturday, May 15, 2021, at the Jo-Hi Invite.

# THE WEEK IN PHOTOS



Lou Curcio/Contributed Photo

Enterprise's Sierra Holcomb won the javelin at the 2A Wapiti League Championships Friday, May 14, 2021, in Union.



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Joseph's Lottie McDonald competes in the girls 300-meter hurdles Saturday, May 15, 2021, at the Jo-Hi Invite. McDonald placed third in the event.

## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

### OR 82: Bear Creek (Wallowa River) Bridge Project

Between 2022 and 2024, we will be replacing the Oregon Highway 82 Bear Creek (Wallowa River) Bridge, located at milepost 45.8, a mile west of Wallowa. Deterioration of the 80-year-old structure has prompted us to replace the bridge to create a safer, wider crossing that is key to keeping traffic moving in and out of Wallowa County. To collect your feedback about the upcoming project we are holding a virtual open house.



### ONLINE OPEN HOUSE May 17-31

<https://odotopenhouse.org/or82-bear-creek-wallowa-river-bridge>

Please take a few minutes to visit the site May 17-31 to review our plans, pictures and traffic impacts information, and then let us know if you have any comments.

**Overview:** The Bear Creek Bridge serves as the primary freight route and provides the only year-round access to Wallowa County without leaving the state. Without extensive repairs or replacement, continued deterioration will eventually result in closure. A new bridge is proposed to support economic vitality and improve safety.

Key project plans include:

- Realign roadway and improve highway curve.
- A wider bridge to improve vehicle and bike safety.
- Remove issues with footings in the river.
- New structure will be built to withstand seismic activity.



We will design the project this year and construct in 2022-2024. We appreciate your review and feedback. It will help us construct a better, safer project.

ODOT is pleased to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need special accommodations or alternate language formats to participate in this open house event, please contact us (contact information below). Alternate formats available upon request or call statewide relay at 711, or e-mail: [ODOTeoo@ODOT.state.or.us](mailto:ODOTeoo@ODOT.state.or.us).

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