

Museum seeks youth art for exhibit

Attention tribal youth artists and teachers, the Nineteenth Annual Warm Springs Tribal Youth Art Exhibit will be here soon. And the Museum at Warm Springs is inviting you to submit art for this exhibit.

The deadline to submit art will be 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 20. There will be an opening reception to honor youth art-

ists on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the museum. If you need more information on the Youth Art Exhibit, call Natalie Moody at 541-553-3331, ext. 412.

The museum will host "Warm Springs Beaded Tapestries" as the main exhibit in June.

Youth may wish to pursue this theme for the Youth Art Exhibit. Possible ideas are

beaded necklaces, loom work, coloring projects of beaded bags, any beading project.

All art will be gladly accepted. Early Childhood Education Center, Warm Springs Elementary School classes, middle and high school artists. Individual art is encouraged. Forms are available at the museum.

Adams' glaciers half gone

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) - Spectacular on a clear, sunny day, Mount Adams rises a scant 53 miles from Yakima.

But the mountain holds what until now has been pretty much a secret.

In the first comprehensive study of its kind, a Portland State University study has found Mount Adams' 12 glaciers have shrunk by nearly half since 1904 and are receding faster than those of nearby sister vol-

canoes Mount Hood and Mount Rainier.

It's another sign of gradually warming temperatures that - if continued as expected by researchers - will mean significant problems for the water-dependent Yakima Valley.

The study lends urgency to an earlier federal report that shows the water content of Cascade Mountain snowpacks could dwindle by as much as 50 percent by the 2070s.

Wind farm a first under new eagle kill rules

BEND (AP) - A proposed Central Oregon wind project is the first in the country to be considered for a permit that allows wind turbines to kill a few golden eagles so long as developers make up for the loss, federal officials say.

The West Butte Power project plans to retrofit power poles where wires are so close together that golden eagles can stretch their 7-foot wingspans and get electrocuted.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said the retrofits could mitigate the loss of any golden eagles killed by the 50-turbine wind farm east of Bend.

The permit would allow three golden eagle deaths over five years and require no net loss of the breeding population.

The agency said it was the first application it got under the terms of rules it adopted in

2009 under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

Conservation groups had called for a permitting system to stop what one called Friday "a free-for-all that kills hundreds of thousands of birds each year."

The American Bird Conservancy said it would look hard at the details of the proposed West Butte permit to make sure it would avoid as many eagle deaths as possible and hews to the government's rules.

Although surveys indicated few golden eagles at the wind farm site, it is at the kind of higher elevation they patrol in search of prey, about 5,000 feet.

Bald eagles nest about 10 miles from the project site, but a federal official said they typically focus on land near lakes or rivers.

"So we don't really expect bald eagles to be using that site," said Michael Green, acting chief of the division of migratory birds and habitat programs for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Portland. "There is nothing up there for them."

West Butte Power would retrofit 11 power poles a year or more depending on how many eagles are killed, Green said.

Each retrofit would cost \$3,000 to \$5,000, said John Stahl, managing partner of West Butte Power LLC, based in Southern California.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management approved the road and power line in July on the condition that the company pays for restoration and enhancement of 9,000 acres of sage grouse habitat elsewhere. Stahl said the sage grouse habitat work will cost \$1.4 million.

Ski Day

There will be a tribal member Ski Day at Mount Hood Meadows on Friday, Feb. 10. Call, stop by, or email the media center. Phone:

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