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**Know The Basics About
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(NAPSA)—The recent run-up in price for Bitcoin and other virtual currencies has piqued investors' interest. However, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) advises investors to understand the risks that go with virtual currencies before adding them to their portfolios.

What is Bitcoin?

Bitcoin is a convertible virtual currency. Virtual currency is a digital representation of value that may function as a medium of exchange, a unit of account, and/or a store of value.

Is Bitcoin a commodity?

Yes, Bitcoin and other virtual currencies have been determined to be commodities under the Commodity Exchange Act (CEA).

Does the CFTC oversee Bitcoin?

The CFTC's jurisdiction is implicated when a virtual currency is used in a derivatives contract, such as futures or options contracts. The CFTC's oversight over commodity cash markets is limited. The CFTC maintains general anti-fraud and manipulation enforcement authority over virtual currency cash markets as a commodity in interstate commerce.

What risks come with virtual currencies?

While virtual currencies may have potential benefits, purchasing virtual currencies on the cash market—spending dollars to purchase Bitcoin for your personal wallet, for example—comes with a number of significant risks, including:

- Most cash markets are not regulated or supervised by a federal government agency.



The Commodity Futures Trading Commission helps investors learn about virtual currencies and their possible risks.

- Platforms in the cash market may lack system safeguards, including customer protections.
- Cash market manipulation.

- Platforms selling from their own accounts and putting customers at a disadvantage.
- Price volatility risks.
- Cybersecurity risks.

What do I do if I suspect fraud?

To report suspicious activity, contact the CFTC at (866) 366-2382, consumers@cftc.gov, or visit SmartCheck.gov/SubmittaTip.

For more information, visit www.cftc.gov/bitcoin.

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NOTICES****NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next Board meeting of Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue will be held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station located at 2625 Highway 101 North, Florence, OR 97439. The agenda will include: Policies and Procedures and General Business of the fire district.

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NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next Board meeting of Western Lane Ambulance District will be held on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue located at 2625 Highway 101 North, Florence, OR 97439. The agenda will include: Policies and Procedures and General Business of the Ambulance District.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Central Lincoln PUD will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday February 21, 2018 at the Newport Office located at 2129 N. Coast Hwy. The Board will review the Board Governance Policies, CoastNet Contract Options and an exemption from bidding on SEL relays. The Board will consider a contract award for janitorial services and consider a Letter of Agreement which establishes wages and benefits for employees represented by the IBEW Local 659 for the period 3/1/18 to 3/31/20. Two executive sessions will be held in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(e) and ORS 192.660(2)(i) "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions" and "to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer." The Board may discuss other business as it arises at this meeting. To review the meeting agenda, please go to clpud.org.

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People with dementia can get connected to local resources that can help them maintain independence and maximize well-being from the Eldercare Locator, the only national information and referral resource for issues affecting older Americans. A program of the U.S. Administration on Aging, the Eldercare Locator can be contacted at www.eldercare.acl.gov and (800) 677-1116.

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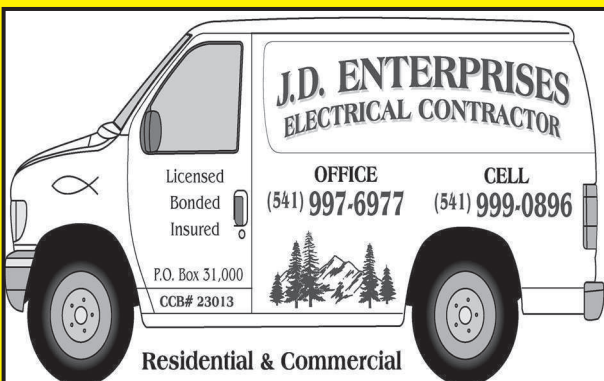


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