### **Siuslaw Pioneer Museum** cancels opening dates

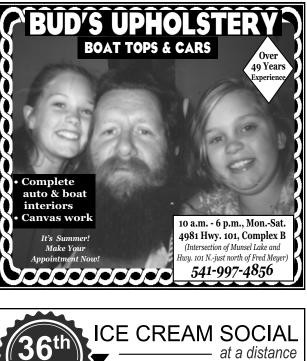
Due to rising statistics in rural areas relating to COVID-19, as well as concerns for the safety of visitors and volunteers, the Siuslaw Pioneer Museum Board of Directors has cancelled the museum's newspaper, as well as the July 4, 5, 11 and 12 opening dates.

278 Maple St. in Historic for more information about Old Town Florence, has visiting the museum in the been closed during the future.

pandemic.

The board elected to delay reopening, saying directors "want everyone in the community to stay healthy and safe."

People can watch the museum's website, www. siuslawpioneermuseum. The historic museum, com, and Facebook page



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**Community News** 

#### Local residents protest over water contamination concerns



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Last Saturday, a small group of Florence and Mapleton residents gathered just past the 8-mile marker of Highway 126 to protest land that they claim has been sprayed with pesticides without proper notification or environmental impact testing. Protesters said they are trying to bring attention to what they consider a significant danger to the area's waterways, which eventually work their way to the Siuslaw River and, if infused with chemicals, could threaten those who use those waterways, including residents of Mapleton, Duncan Island and the Florence area.

## Modeling suggests considerable rise in COVID-19 transmission

COVID-19 virus shows that COVID-19 is spreading more rapidly in Oregon, according to the latest model released today by the Oregon Health Authority and the Institute for Disease Modeling.

The model, which is based on data through June

optimistic, moderate and pessimistic - predicting that daily case levels could rise as much as 20 percentage points.

The modeling assumes that hospitalizations from COVID-19 remain stable and testing remains at its present level of approximately 4,000 a day.

The optimistic scenario with those assumptions suggests the previous modeling increase of June 11 was the result of higher testing and that case counts would remain stable at about 180 per day over least likely scenario to occur because it assumes diagnosis of all new cases and presently about one-third of new infections cannot be traced to a known source.

New modeling of the 18, offers three projections in the last modeling report to reopen and the weather was due to increased transmission and expanded testing — and that daily infections of COVID-19 could rise over the next month to more than 900 per day, with daily hospitalizations rising

from 8 to 27. The most pessimistic scenario suggests the rise in cases in the last modeling report was due entirely to increased transmission and not expanded testing - and that infections could rise to more than 4,800, and hospitalizations could increase to 82 per day.

"We know that when you're not eating. the next month. This is the COVID-19 is in our com-

gets warmer."

Dr. Sidelinger said, "Think hard about your choice of activities, especially as we get close to the Fourth of July holiday. Ask yourself: how can I reduce my risk and the risk I might pose to people around me?" Do what you can to suppress the virus: Stay 6 feet away from other people. Wear a mask. Avoid large gatherings, and if you are in a group setting -- like a holiday barbeque -- stay outside, keep your distance and use a face covering Wash your hands frequent-







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The moderate scenario suggests the rise in cases especially as we continue at www.oregon.gov/oha.

munities," said Sidelinger, MD, Oregon state health officer. "This latest model provides us with a sobering reminder that we all need to guard against continued spread,

Dean ly and stay home if you're sick.

> OHA uses this modeling for data analysis and planning purposes and releases it on a bi-weekly basis. The entire report can be found



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WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
JULY 1	JULY 2	JULY 3	JULY 4	JULY 5	JULY 6	JULY 7
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
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