

ODFW plans meetings to discuss new budget

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SALEM — The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) is planning four online public meetings later this month to present information about the agency's proposed budget for the 2023-25 biennium.

ODFW officials will also take questions and comments from the public during the meetings.

ODFW is not proposing any increases in hunting or fishing license fees. The last increases were approved by the 2015 Legislature and took effect in 2016, 2018 and 2020.

The agency will use public comments from the meetings to help draft its budget request for the Fish and Wildlife Commission to consider during its June 17 meeting. Prior to that, the Commission will have a special meeting on May 13, also online and open to the public, to take public tes-

timony about the proposed budget.

The budget proposal approved by the Commission then goes to the Legislature for its consideration in 2023.

ODFW headquarters staff will attend each of the four public meetings, along with regional officials, who will have local information for their area.

The schedule:

- Northwest Region, April 12, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Southwest Region, April 13, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Northeast Region, April 14, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Southeast Region, April 15, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

All meetings are accessible through the same link and phone number. For the video meeting, <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1602917760>.

For phone only, dial 1-669-254-5252, or 1-669-216-1590, or 1-551-285-1373 or 1-646-828-7666. The webinar ID is 160-291-7760.

FISHING

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The beauty of fly-fishing is it gives you exactly what you demand of it. The art of the angle can be complex or simple, technical or sublime.

Last year, over a Zoom presentation to a fly-fishing club, I talked to a guy who said he was going to go fishing again as soon as COVID was over. Meanwhile he was going to sit in on video fly-tying and travel discussions. I'm guessing that is what he wanted from fly-fishing, for the time.

A friend of mine was treasurer for a fly-fishing club in Portland. I invited him once on a dry fly trip to Chile and he was ready to buy his airline ticket when his fear of being found out kicked in. He was not as skilled as he wanted to be, he said. He confessed his casting skills were sub-par and his knowledge of bugs was lacking.

"I'm just not ready for a trip like that, Gary," he said. "Invite me next year.

Maybe next year I'll be ready."

I tried to point out that if he went on the trip I proposed, and that he was well able to afford, he would acquire the skills he wanted with the help of the guides and the fish. Along the way he would catch big trout and medium size trout and even a few small ones. "Maybe I'll go on a trip around here and get the skills, I need," he said.

Do you think he did? I don't either.

There are always people that will tell you not to go fishing. I got grounded from fishing when I was in ninth grade because my algebra scores fell off. I got up earlier in the morning than my parents on a Saturday morning and went anyway.

Ask my dad if you bump into him on the river this season. Was it more important to Gary's future that he improve his grades from Cs to Bs in algebra? Or was fishing more important? Dad will say I did pretty good in

geometry, especially the part that deals with the angle.

One time I was on the Kalama River in the middle of an epic steel-head bite and the office called my grandparents' house and wanted me to come in. Do you think I came off the river before dark? No. Did they fire me? No. I quit a month later. No one needs that kind of pressure.

I am not a fly-fishing guide but I find myself in the position of teaching people to fly-fish every season. Lots of times it's 11-year-olds or spouses of friends or people who show up on trips I'm on. The thing I spend the least amount of time on is the casting. Truth is, anyone who can pick up a fly rod and keep it off the ground is equipped to catch fish on small streams or still water. What they need is work on presentation, on theory, on line control. If they like fly-fishing, they can get a casting lesson next week. Think I'm wrong? Watch someone with a 7-foot tenkara rod.

They can't cast more than 12 feet at best, but they can catch fish all day long on good water.

People pick up fly-fishing for a lot of reasons. Catching fish may not be at the top of the list, but it is important enough a person should go fishing when they want to.

What do you want from fly-fishing? Are you getting it? If not, go out and demand it. Want to be a better caster? Go fishing. Then get a casting lesson. Want to learn more about bugs? Go fishing and turn over rocks. Want to multiply your fishing skills? Hire a guide.

If someone tells you not to go fishing for whatever reason — your health, your grades, their status or their money, you are better off going fishing anyway. Just get up earlier in the morning.

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by Stella Wilder

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022
YOUR BIRTHDAY by Stella Wilder

Born today, you are clever, quick-witted, fun-loving and always ready with a kind word that can lift another's spirits and put a spring in their stride. Indeed, interaction with you is never dull, and most often results in a general improvement in one's overall mood and outlook -- so powerful is your own positivity and ability to laugh and get others to laugh with you. You do have a serious side, and at times you may actually withdraw from others and succumb to self-indulgence, but such phases do not last long.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10
ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You're not likely to stay in your comfort zone for long today -- but is the change something you've manifested, or is it being forced on you?
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Now is not the time to buck the system, for it can actually bring some good things into your life at this time if you work it very creatively.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Someone you know may be having trouble, but who and why proves to be puzzling. You'll want to investigate and learn more by day's end.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Showboating isn't likely to win you the results you're after today -- or the response you'd hoped for even from your friends. Cool it for now.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Your concern over someone in the thick of things reflects your concern for yourself, too, for you know you're in a very similar situation.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Listen to the warnings provided to you today, and change your plans accordingly. You'll find that you're not as vulnerable as some others.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- You may be singled out today for a very strange reason, but you can still parlay this into a major success -- if not now, then very soon.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Take care that your criticism of someone's work is about the overall quality of the work, and not merely a difference in taste.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- You can avoid many small dangers today, but one is likely to sneak up on you and force your hand. Afterward, clean up the mess!
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- That which you cannot explain takes up much of your time today as a central concern. Are you giving this too much attention?
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Approval isn't likely to come your way today -- at least not in the way you had hoped. Still, you should be able to stay the course.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- You may be reminded about the passage of time today as a friend resurfaces and shares memories of something that you, too, remember fondly.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF BAKER
In Probate

In the Matter of the Estate of: **DONN ROGER BALLANTYNE**, Deceased
Case No. 22PB02801

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned Personal Representative at the office of DAN VAN THIEL, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 805, Baker City, Oregon, 97814, within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative, DAN VAN THIEL.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Baker County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing per ORS 368.201 to 368.221 and ORS 368.401 to 368.426 to receive public testimony regarding the legalization of Pine Creek Lane in accordance with Resolution No. 2021-1002: In the Matter of a Resolution Declaring the Necessity for the Legalization of Pine Creek Lane. The hearing will take place on **Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.** in the large conference room at the Baker County Event Center (Fairgrounds) located at 2600 East St. Baker City, OR 97814. Interested citizens are invited to attend in person or by Zoom using the following link: www.bakercounty.org/online/meetings.html. Under ORS 368.206(2) Any person may file with the county governing body information that controverts any matter presented to the county governing body in the proceeding or alleging any new matter relevant to the proceeding. Written testimony will be received through 4:00 p.m. on April 15, 2022 and can be emailed to hmartin@bakercounty.org or mailed to the Baker County Commissioners, 1995 Third St., Baker City, OR 97814. For more information regarding the hearing, please contact the Commissioners' Office at 541-523-8200. Baker County operates under an EEO policy and complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Assistance is available for individuals with disabilities by calling 541-523-8200 (TTY: 523-9538).

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[Probate Department]

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Case No. 22PB02500

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- Valiant's eldest
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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