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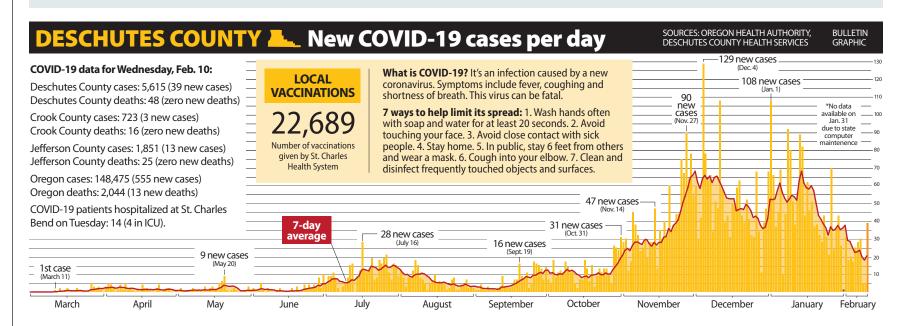
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CASCADIA SUBDUCTION ZONE PREPAREDNESS

National Guard site in Redmond gets funds

BY GARY A. WARNER Oregon Capital Bureau

ness Center.

The state has agreed to pay \$1.66 million to buy 20 acres in Redmond as the site for a new Oregon National Guard Readi-

The State Land Board made up of Gov. Kate Brown, Secretary of State Shemia Fagan and Treasurer Tobias Read — voted 3-0 on Tuesday to purchase the land, which will be assigned to the Oregon

Military Department. The sale is part of a larger, long-range plan involving the Department of State Lands, Oregon Military Department, the city of Redmond and Deschutes County.

A 945-acre project would allow for expansion of the county fairgrounds. The project also includes new industrial parks and technology centers that supporters say would bring higher-paying jobs to the area.

The new readiness center would replace Redmond's 65-year-old armory, but have an expanded mission of training National Guard soldiers from around the state. Officials have said earlier it will be the most seismically advanced National Guard facility in Or-

The center is also marked as a likely component of a Bend-area command post for state government and federal emergency response in the event of major disaster caused by movement of the Cascadia Subduction Zone, off the coast of Oregon.

Scientists have predicted a possible 9.0-scale earthquake and subsequent tsunami along the 700-mile subduction zone that could kill up to 25,000 people in the Pacific Northwest.

Most areas west of the coastal range would be inundated by waves, while road, rail, air, utilities and communications west of the Cascades would be heavily damaged.

While the earthquake would be felt in Central Oregon, areas east of the Cascades are expected to escape with light to moderate damage.

State surveys found the Redmond Airport would likely be the closest airfield that would still be fully operational following an earthquake. Fixed-wing aircraft could land supplies from around the country, and then helicopters could be used to fan out to areas throughout the Willamette Valley expected to be severely affected.

Previously, the state had set Salem as the center of earthquake relief operations, but studies showed the largest earthquakes along the fault would make the airport runways unusable to fixed-wing

aircraft.

"When constructed, this new readiness center will be a resilient facility that is more capable of surviving, and being a local and state asset, during an earthquake or other natural disaster," Stan Hutchinson, the Oregon Military Department's director of installations, said Tuesday.

State plans call for the Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program's Bend campus on Dodds Road to also serve as a fallback site for emergency coordination in a major earthquake if other facilities in the Salem area are knocked out.

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Public input sought for the Deschutes River Access

project webpage.

The Bend Park & Recreation District is looking for feedback on a list of recreational access and habitat restoration projects at parks along the Deschutes River.

future river access projects

Over the years, growing use of the district's 16 parks along the Deschutes River has led to trampled vegetation and unofficial access points that cause erosion along the riverbank, according to the district.

The district is now identifying and recommending river access and habitat restoration projects for the next 10 years, that would be fixed with general funds partnerships and grants.

There are 33 potential projects that are open for public feedback through a survey and virtual community meetings. Some projects include closing and replanting the river access at Columbia Park, as well as possibly closing access at Miller's Landing Park. A number of unofficial access points would possibly be closed and revegetated at multiple locations including River Rim Park, Farewell Bend Park, First Street Rapids Park and Sawyer Park, according to the district.

Public meetings will be held virtually 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, on Zoom in English and at 3 p.m. on Zoom in Spanish.

Online surveys are also available in English and Spanish on the district's website. For more information, visit **Juniper Swim & Fitness**

and Habitat Restoration Plan

Center set to open Monday

The Juniper Swim & Fitness Center will reopen starting Monday, according to the Bend Park & Recreation District.

Advanced registration will be required to participate in fitness classes, lap swim and other activities. They will be held with limited capacity to follow the state's high risk category guidelines for the coro-

There will be 43 fitness and water fitness classes offered weekly as well as lap swim, cycle on your own and fitness center access, according to the district. People can register online beginning at noon on Thursday, at www.bendparksandrec.org/ juniperreservations.

For safety reasons, staff and visitors will have separate entrances to the facility, according to the district. All visitors must enter through the south side of the building off NE Franklin Avenue and NE Seventh Street.

Starting Monday, hours will be 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 5:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the weekend.

The Larkspur Community Center, which includes the Bend Senior Center, may

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open as early as April 1 if Deschutes County remains lower

than extreme risk on the state's COVID-19 framework, according to the district. — Bulletin staff reports





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Detroit gets federal grant to restore water

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Detroit, the small town in the Cascades ravaged by Labor Day wildfires, is getting a \$1 million grant to restore running water after the town's wa-

ter treatment facility burned. The grant for the city of Detroit, coming from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, should allow it to create a temporary ultrafiltration packaged plant that will supply potable

The Statesman Journal reports that Mayor Jim Trett

said it wasn't clear when the water would actually be running. It could take anywhere from two weeks to a month or

The fix is also temporary. Detroit will still have to figure out a long-term solution. For months since the fire, the county has been providing potable water via a water truck at the city park for a few hours

Detroit is located in Marion County and has a population of about 80.