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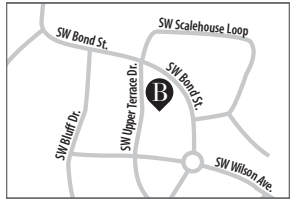
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LOCAL, STATE & REGION

DESCHUTES COUNTY New COVID-19 cases per day

SOURCES: OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY, DESCHUTES COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES, BULLETIN GRAPHIC

COVID-19 data for Tuesday, March 16:

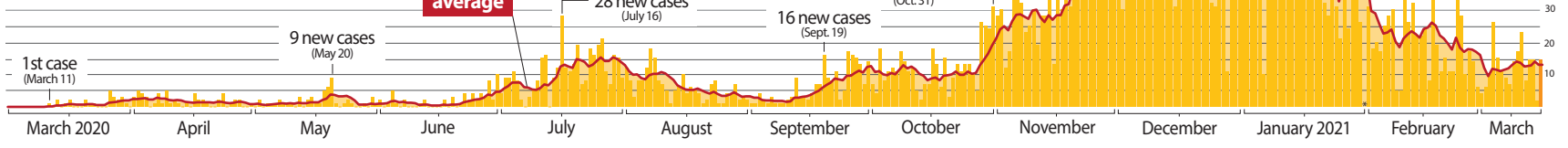
Deschutes County cases: 6,134 (15 new cases)
Deschutes County deaths: 70 (2 new deaths)

Crook County cases: 788 (2 new cases)
Crook County deaths: 18 (zero new deaths)

Jefferson County cases: 1,994 (2 new cases)
Jefferson County deaths: 31 (1 new death)

Oregon cases: 160,050 (267 new cases)
Oregon deaths: 2,346 (22 new deaths)

COVID-19 patients hospitalized at St. Charles Bend on Tuesday: 8 (1 in ICU)



What is COVID-19? It's an infection caused by a new coronavirus. Coronaviruses are a group of viruses that can cause a range of symptoms. Some usually cause mild illness. Some, like this one, can cause more severe symptoms and can be fatal. Symptoms include fever, coughing and shortness of breath.

7 ways to help limit its spread: 1. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. 2. Avoid touching your face. 3. Avoid close contact with sick people. 4. Stay home. 5. In public, stay 6 feet from others and wear a cloth face covering or mask. 6. Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue or cough into your elbow. 7. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Brown sets board to oversee magic mushroom program

BY LIZZY ACKER

The Oregonian
Oregon's first-in-the-nation program to allow regulated, therapeutic use of psilocybin got underway Tuesday when Gov. Kate Brown announced the members of the Oregon Psilocybin Advisory Board.

The board will create the framework for the program outlined in Measure 109, which Oregon voters approved in November.

The board includes doctors, researchers, therapists and fungi experts, among others and includes Stephanie Barrs, of Bend, according to a press release.

"Like many, I was initially skeptical when I first heard of Measure 109," said Brown in the release. "But if we can help people suffering from PTSD, depression, trauma and addiction — including veterans, cancer patients, and others — supervised psilocybin therapy is a treatment worthy of further consideration."

The measure allowed for a two-year implementation process that will begin when the board meets on March 31. According to the release, Brown's recommended 2021-23 budget includes \$5.6 million for Measure 109 implementation.

The board will be tasked with creating a system that allows people 21 and older who pass a screening the opportunity to experience psychedelic mushrooms. That in-

Oregon Psilocybin Advisory Board

Public Health Director Designee: **Andre Ourso**, OHA
State Health Officer Designee: **Dr. Tom Jeanne**, OHA
Oregon Health Policy Board Designee: **Barb Hansen**
State Employee with Public Health Expertise: **Ali Hamade**, OHA
Local Health Officer: **Dr. Sarah Present**, Clackamas City
Addictions Medicine Specialist: **Kevin Fitts**, Portland
Licensed Psychologist: **Dr. Kimberley Golletz**, Corvallis
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Licensed Naturopath: **Mason Marks**, Portland
Mycologist: **Jessie Uehling**, Oregon State University
Harm Reduction Specialist: **Angela Carter**, Portland
Psychopharmacology Specialist: **Dr. Atheer Abbas**
Oregon Liquor Control Commission: **Nathan Rix**
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Chief Petitioner Designee: **Tom Eckert**
Public: **Stephanie Barrs**, Bend
Public: **Dr. Rachel Knox**, Portland

cludes figuring out the licensing process for storing and administering the substance, which remains illegal on a national level.

Another measure that voters approved in November, Measure 110, will decriminalize possession of small amounts of drugs, including psilocybin.

"For decades Black, Indigenous, and Latinx people in Oregon and the United States have suffered disproportionate psychological trauma as a result of the 'War on Drugs,' a systemic phenomenon that continues to directly and negatively impact all determinants of

health in these communities," said Dr. Rachel Knox, co-founder of the Cannabis Health Equity Movement and chair of the Association for Cannabis Health Equity and Medicine, in the release.

"Ironically, this criminalized the use of plant substances with notable industrial, medical, and spiritual utility," Knox said. "Psilocybin has been used in the healing and spiritual practices of Indigenous communities for a long time. Much of what we know about psilocybin comes from Indigenous knowledge, a fact that is too often overlooked."

Oregon State Police vehicle rams wrong-way driver

BY JAYSON JACOBY

Baker City Herald

A Missoula, Montana, man was arrested on multiple charges after he drove the wrong way on a curvy section of Interstate 84 and collided with an Oregon State Police trooper who was trying to find the wrong-way driver Friday.

Senior Trooper Andrew McClay was evaluated at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City and released, according to an OSP press release.

The driver, Logan Raye Deuel-Clinkenbeard, 28, sustained minor injuries and was treated at the hospital. Deuel-Clinkenbeard

is charged with second-degree attempted assault, reckless driving and reckless endangerment.

The incident started just before 2 p.m. when OSP dispatch received more than 35 calls to 911 about a car traveling west in the freeway's eastbound lanes near Huntington about 38 miles east of Baker City.

In his report, McClay wrote that he was traveling east when the vehicle, a gray 2011 Toyota Camry sedan, "was traveling towards me at a very high rate of speed"

McClay wrote in his report that he

"rammed the vehicle to get it off the roadway."



Deuel-Clinkenbeard

Both Deuel-Clinkenbeard's car, and the OSP Ford SUV McClay was driving, sustained significant damage from the collision.

In a document filed on Monday in Baker County Circuit Court in support of a motion seeking to release Deuel-Clinkenbeard to either his father or on conditions set by the court, the father said that his son has "severe mental health conditions for which we have been seeking treatment"

Private community fights fine for deaths of over 30,000 fish

BY EDWARD STRATTON

The Astorian

The Fishhawk Lake Reserve and Community is fighting a \$439,200 penalty from the state for allegedly killing more than 30,000 fish after draining the reservoir in 2019.

The lake, considered state waters, is held back by an earthen dam built along Fishhawk Creek in the 1960s for a private community on the border of Clatsop and Columbia counties. A drainpipe through the dam feeds into the creek and eventually the Nehalem River. The homeowners association argues that the state mandated a repair of the drainpipe and was kept informed of the entire process.

A state investigation blamed the draining of sucking fish through the drainpipe and increased turbidity downstream, dumping sediment and de-

pleting the dissolved oxygen in the water. State biologists estimated that 30,391 fish were killed, including 20,539 endangered coho salmon, 4,047 steelhead trout, 5,346 cutthroat trout and 459 trout of undetermined species.

The state Department of Environmental Quality fined the homeowners association and required a water quality management plan and a 10-year schedule for becoming compliant with environmental standards.

The state Department of Fish and Wildlife is seeking a separate claim against the fish kill, but has not disclosed more information.

The homeowners association hired law firms Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt and Hart Wagner and called for a hearing to contest the Department



Clatsop County via The Astorian

The Fishhawk Lake Reserve and Community denies that the drainage of the lake caused a large die-off of fish in 2019.

of Environmental Quality's penalty. The lawyers argued that instead of being reckless, the association drained the lake in response to pressure from state agencies to repair the drainpipe and avoid a total failure of the dam in a major flood.

The lawyers argued that the association timed the draining of the lake with the low-flow period of Fishhawk Creek, adhered to the state's in-water work period and installed curtains downstream of the dam to decrease turbidity. They blamed the state for a lack of

follow-up regarding permitting and other guidance, and said the association "reasonably believed the state's silence to be tacit approval of its plans to proceed"

The homeowners association plans to begin construction this year of a new spillway over one side of the dam and a fish ladder tunneled through the other.

County and state leaders and agencies, including the Department of Fish and Wildlife, have backed the project. The association is applying for state and federal grants based on safety and the project's benefits to fish passage.

"Beginning construction is contingent upon permit and approvals being issued on time and resolution of the state's claims," said Nicole Case, a member of the homeowners association.

LOCAL BRIEFING

Redmond kindergarten registration opens

Parents of incoming kindergarteners living in Redmond, Tumalo and Terrebonne can now register their children online with the Redmond School District for the 2021-22 school year.

Future students can be registered at www.redmondschools.org/kindergarten-registration, according to a school district press release sent Tuesday.

Required documents like the child's birth certificate, immunization records and proof of address can be uploaded online during registration, the release stated. If that isn't possible, the local school will contact parents on how to send hard copies of that data.

Bend council set to vote on budget goals

After months of deliberation, the Bend City Council will vote Wednesday on whether to adopt a new set of goals that will inform how the city designs its budget for the next two years.

The council has preliminarily decided upon goals outlined in six categories. The city estimates it has between \$2 million to \$3 million available, outside of existing programs and funding, to spend on addressing these goals, according to city documents.

Roughly \$500,000 would go toward making city government more accessible, up to \$250,000 would go toward environmental projects, about \$750,000 would go toward projects that address safety, health, accountability and justice issues, about \$250,000 would go toward boosting economic development and \$500,000 would go toward transportation and infrastructure.

The largest chunk of money, \$1.2 million, is allocated to go toward housing, which includes homelessness issues.

After the council adopts these goals, the city will create a budget that would begin in July and last through 2023.

More information about what kinds of projects or concepts fall under each category can be found in the meeting agenda on the city's website.

Crook County School Board member resigns

Crook County School Board member Walter Wagner abruptly resigned from his seat after a six-year term last week. And voters will choose his replacement in about two months.

The Crook County School Board decided Monday night to fill Wagner's term, which expires in June 2023, based on results from the May 18 election, rather than appointing a new member, according to a school district press release.

Although the filing deadline for the May 18 election is Thursday, the Crook County Clerk's Office extended the deadline for Wagner's seat to March 24, the release stated. Two other Crook County School Board seats are also being contested.

To run for the seat, potential candidates must live in Wagner's zone, which encompasses Powell Butte south of state Highway 126 and southwest Prineville.

—Bulletin staff report