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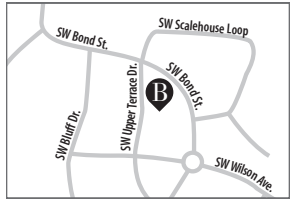
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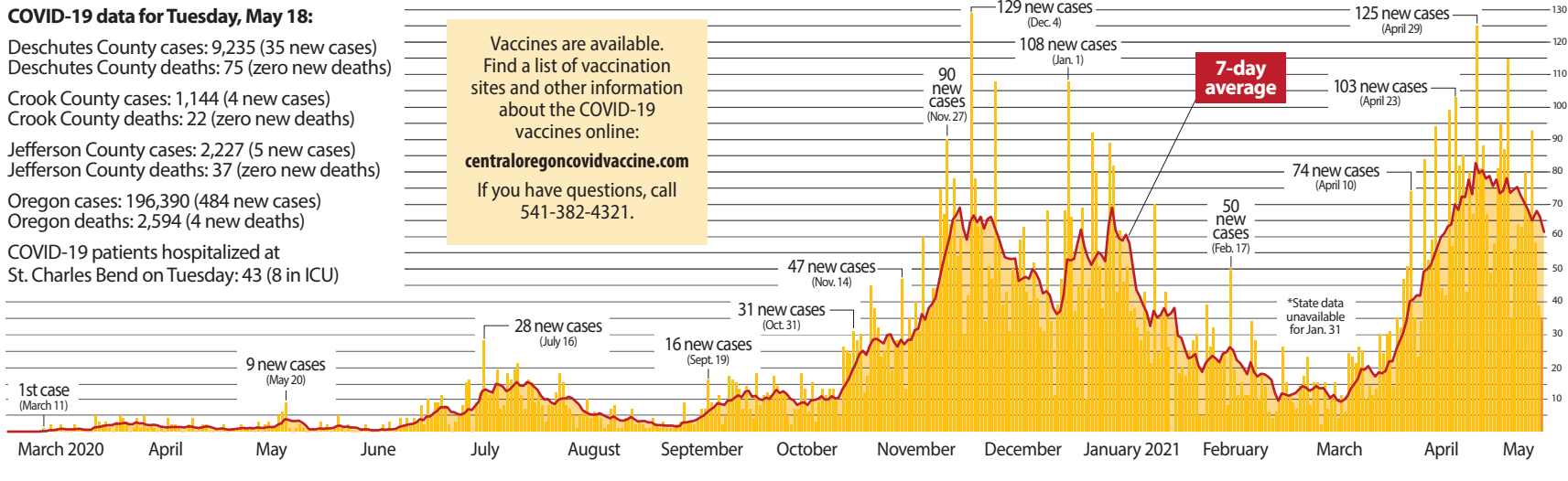
LOCAL, STATE & REGION

DESCHUTES COUNTY New COVID-19 cases per day

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

COVID-19 data for Tuesday, May 18:
Deschutes County cases: 9,235 (35 new cases)
Deschutes County deaths: 75 (zero new deaths)
Crook County cases: 1,144 (4 new cases)
Crook County deaths: 22 (zero new deaths)
Jefferson County cases: 2,227 (5 new cases)
Jefferson County deaths: 37 (zero new deaths)
Oregon cases: 196,390 (484 new cases)
Oregon deaths: 2,594 (4 new deaths)
COVID-19 patients hospitalized at St. Charles Bend on Tuesday: 43 (8 in ICU)

Vaccines are available. Find a list of vaccination sites and other information about the COVID-19 vaccines online: centraloregoncovidvaccine.com
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New rules | Oregon Health Authority

Oregon businesses can drop mask requirement

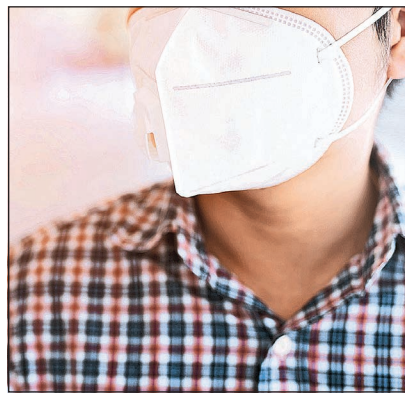
But visitors must prove they're fully vaccinated, state health agency says

BY SARA CLINE

Associated Press/Report for America
PORTLAND — Officials from the Oregon Health Authority released updated mask guidelines Tuesday, saying businesses and churches can choose to no longer require masks and distancing for fully vaccinated people, but those places must have visitors show proof of vaccination.

In addition, mask requirements are no longer applied to anyone who is outdoors, although health officials recommend that people continue to wear a mask in crowded areas and in large gatherings.

“(Last) week’s announcement from the CDC emphasizes the point that safe and effective vaccines are the very best way to protect people from getting and spreading COVID,” said Patrick Allen, OHA director, referring to the Centers



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for Disease Control and Prevention. “That’s why it’s safer for life to look more like normal for people who are fully vaccinated. And why people who haven’t had a chance to get vaccinated should do so as soon as they can.”

Fully vaccinated people in Oregon are no longer required to wear a face mask or physically distance whether indoors or outdoors, with some exceptions, two weeks after their final COVID-19 vaccination dose.

However, health officials say that fully vaccinated people are still required to wear a mask while on public transportation and in schools, hospitals and clinics, homeless shelters, correctional facilities and long-term care facilities.

In addition, businesses, employers and faith institutions can choose to no longer require masks and physical distancing for fully vaccinated people. But they must require proof that the individual is fully vaccinated and implement a “policy for checking the vaccination status of customers and employees.”

The new guidance comes after the CDC announced last week that individuals who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 could stop wearing masks and stop physical distancing in most public spaces.

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown pointed to the CDC announcement as “another sign that as more people become fully vaccinated, the closer we are to ending this pandemic.”

Oregonians have been required to wear masks — inside public spaces

U.S. to share vaccines

President Joe Biden says the U.S. will share an additional 20 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines with the world in the coming six weeks as domestic demand for shots drops and global disparities in distribution have grown more evident.

The doses will come from existing production of Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccine stocks, marking the first time that U.S.-controlled doses of vaccines authorized for use in the country will be shared overseas. It will boost the global vaccine sharing commitment from the U.S. to 80 million.

The announcement comes on top of a prior commitment to share about 60 million doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine, which is not yet authorized for use in the U.S., by the end of June.

— Associated Press

such as grocery stores, shops, gyms and restaurants and outside where people cannot remain 6 feet apart from others — since last summer.

Redmond group finds missing Montana woman’s vehicle

Great Falls Tribune

GREAT FALLS, Mont. — A pickup truck belonging to a Great Falls woman who has been missing for nearly three years was found in the Missouri River with a body inside it last week, Cascade County Sheriff Jesse Slaughter said.

The body has not been identified, Slaughter told the Great Falls Tribune.

A volunteer organization based in Redmond that helps remove vehicles from bodies of water arrived in Great Falls on May 10 to help search for Tammy Goff, 59, who went missing in 2018.

Goff’s pickup was located Friday by the Adventures With Purpose team, which includes Jared Leisek, Doug Bishop and Sam Ginn. The team and the sheriff’s office removed the pickup from the water.

Slaughter said he would release further information Monday or Tuesday. “Finding Tammy’s truck yesterday

has been a huge milestone,” her husband, Bob Goff, said in a statement to ABC Fox Montana on Saturday. “We do not have confirmation yet of the occupant. Many other questions still remain.”

He thanked the community for support and prayers and local law enforcement and landowners who allowed access to their property to conduct the search.

Tammy Goff was last seen on July 12, 2018, when she left her house with her German shepherd, Sadie. The dog was found two days later and had been seen near the river.

Search and rescue teams searched the river by foot, air and boat at the time.

In September 2018, an Idaho team that has been recovering drowning victims since 1983 searched the river and found a vehicle in the river near where Goff’s dog was found. However, it was a sport utility vehicle that had been reported stolen.



Ryan Brennecke/Bulletin file

Jared Leisek, of Redmond, stands in his trailer full of equipment he uses when scuba diving during recovery missions around the country. The Bulletin interviewed Leisek for a story in March. “It comes down to being able to do something that others cannot and to give answers to families who would never receive those answers,” he said at the time.

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