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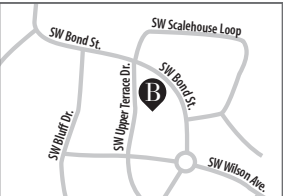
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LOCAL, STATE & REGION

SOUTHERN DESCHUTES COUNTY

New group of wolves spotted

ODFW declares area in Deschutes, northern Klamath counties as Area of Known Wolf Activity

BY GEORGE PLAVERN
Capital Press

A new group of wolves has taken up residence in Central Oregon, including parts of Deschutes and northern Klamath counties.

State wildlife officials designated an Area of Known Wolf Activity in the Upper Deschutes Wildlife Management Unit, which extends from near Bend south to Crescent along U.S. Highway 97 and west to the Pacific Crest Trail.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife creates wolf activity areas in locations where the same wolves — not wolves passing through — use an area repeatedly over time. The designation also helps alert livestock producers about wolf presence.

Ranchers in the area should consider nonlethal measures



ODFW

A trail camera photo shows an adult wolf with five pups in the Upper Deschutes Wildlife Management Area in Central Oregon. ODFW has designated a new Area of Known Wolf Activity in the area, including parts of Deschutes and northern Klamath counties.

to protect their livestock, according to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, such as hiring range riders or using flashing lights and alarms to scare away wolves.

ODFW also recommends removing any carcasses or bone piles that might attract wolves. Other deterrents may

include guard dogs, electrified fencing of small pastures and fladry.

While Oregon's wolf management plan does allow for killing wolves in the event of repeated attacks on livestock, this does not apply west of highways 395, 78 and 95, where wolves remain feder-

ally protected under the Endangered Species Act. That includes the Upper Deschutes area.

The minimum known wolf population in Oregon based on verified evidence was at least 175 at the end of 2021, though ODFW acknowledges the actual population is likely

higher.

Biologists began monitoring reports of a single wolf in the area in August 2021, and one wolf was counted during ODFW's annual winter survey.

Earlier this year, tracks of four wolves were found in the area, though it wasn't immediately clear if they came from a new group of wolves or from the Indigo Pack, which occupies territory just to the south.

On July 4, a trail camera in the area snapped a photo of an adult wolf with five pups, confirming the new group.

Depending on how many wolves are in the group by year's end, it may be designated the Upper Deschutes Pack, with a pack being defined as having at least four wolves traveling together in winter — typically with at least two adults and their offspring.

ODFW says additional surveys will be conducted to learn more about the Upper Deschutes wolves' home range.

Wolf sightings from the public can be reported to ODFW online at www.dfw.state.or.us/wolves.

LOCAL BRIEFING

2 children missing from Bend are believed to be at risk

Two young children went missing along with their mother and father on July 7, and the Oregon Department of Human Services Child Welfare Division believes the two children might be in Central Oregon and could be in danger.

Nova Millsap, 13 months, and Artimay Millsap, 7 weeks, went missing with their father, Charles Millsap and their mother, Kayle Spills from Bend earlier this month.

The child welfare division is searching for the two children in order to assess their safety, the department said in a release Thursday.

The children are believed to be in Redmond, Terrebonne or Prineville, the release said. However, there is a chance their parents may have taken them outside of the state. The parents and the babies are suspected to be trav-



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Artimay Millsap, 7 weeks, left, and Nova Millsap, 13 months. State officials are searching for the children and asking the public for help.

eling in a white Honda Accord with Oregon license plate number SBD139.

Kayle Spills, the mother, sometimes goes by the name Kalye Millsap.

Anyone who believes they have information on the location of the two children or their parents is encouraged to call 911 or local law enforcement.

Central Oregon counties back at high levels of COVID-19 spread

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Thursday returned the three Central Oregon counties to high levels of COVID-19 community spread.

According to data released Thursday, the agency reported 19 counties at high levels of community spread, 16 at medium and one at low.

A week ago, the CDC listed 21 Oregon counties at high, 12 at medium and three at low.

Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties had been at medium levels of COVID-19 community spread since June 30, when they were listed at high for one week, according to CDC data.

While COVID-19 hospitalizations have not reached nearly the levels of past surges, the Oregon Health Authority on Wednesday urged residents in counties listed at high COVID-19 levels to wear masks, primarily in an

effort to reduce the strain on state hospitals, especially St. Charles Health System.

The CDC monitors levels of COVID-19 to help communities decide what prevention steps to take based on the latest data. Levels can be low, medium or high and are determined by looking at hospital beds being used, hospital admissions and the total number of new COVID-19 cases in an area.

The agency listed the following levels for Central Oregon:

Deschutes County: High
Crook County: High
Jefferson County: High

Precautions the CDC recommends for communities with high levels:

- Wear a mask indoors in public
- Stay up to date with vaccines.
- Get tested if you have symptoms.
- Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness.

— Bulletin staff reports

PORTLAND

Mayor declares state of emergency over gun violence

BY MAXINE BERNSTEIN
The Oregonian

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler declared a state of emergency Thursday due to the city's historic levels of gun violence.

He said the goal is to reduce fatal shootings by 10% during the next two years by increasing community-based interventions.

"I intend to restore the safety of the Portland community," Wheeler said at a City Hall news conference. "We will not stop until we bring peace back to those Portland neighborhoods too often caught in the crossfire."

The mayor tapped Portland's former Fire Chief Mike Myers as incident commander of the city's emergency efforts to intervene in the lives of those responsible for shootings plaguing the city and those at risk of becoming victims.

About \$2.4 million already set aside in the city's budget has yet to be distributed to community agencies to support violence intervention programs aimed at people who at greatest risk of being involved in shootings or fall-



Craig Mitchell/dyer/AP file

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler, seen here in 2019, has declared a state of emergency because of increasing gun violence.

ing victim to gun violence.

So far this year, there have been 52 homicides, putting the city on course to meet or exceed last year's record-breaking annual count of 92 killings.

The declaration to support the mayor's Safer Summer PDX initiative comes during a significant summer spate of fatal shootings that have claimed the lives of five people in less than a week.

It also follows a recommendation by a community

oversight group earlier this week that the city adopt the ShotSpotter gun detection technology with 13 controls to avoid unintended consequences. The group also wants the city to allow police to com-

pile a Violent Impact Player list to identify so-called "serial trigger pullers," for intervention and enhanced attention.

Myers will be responsible for running daily Safer Summer PDX meetings and working to coordinate employees in multiple city bureaus to address the problem, according to the mayor and his staff.

Police are encouraged to refer people they encounter to the community-based services, ranging from gang outreach workers to hospital-based support to victims of shootings.

"The primary focus of Safer Summer PDX is to use non-law enforcement interventions directed toward the small percentage of individuals who are most likely to commit or become victims of gun violence, but whom law enforcement is presently unable or unlikely to build a case against," according to the mayor's office.

"I intend to restore the safety of the Portland community. We will not stop until we bring peace back to those Portland neighborhoods too often caught in the crossfire."

— Ted Wheeler, Portland mayor

Myers' Community Safety Division will focus the \$2.4 million to support four areas: the city's Office of Violence Prevention's outreach work to those at highest risk of firing shots, persuading those involved in shootings to put down their guns, engaging at-risk youth with pro-social activities, and adopting environmental design changes such as added lighting or traffic diversions in neighborhoods most impacted by the shootings.



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