

Airport road impacted by Canyon Creek

Council revises wastewater plant engineering agreement

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Blue Mountain Eagle

High spring runoff in Canyon Creek has impacted the steep slope below Fourth Avenue Southwest, creating a dangerous condition for vehicles heading up to Grant County Regional Airport.

John Day Public Works Director Monte Legg had orange traffic cones placed along the edge of the pavement where the shoulder of the road is within 6 feet of

a 30-foot drop straight down to Canyon Creek.

The 60-foot long section of roadway is about 200 feet uphill from the Fourth Avenue bridge at Canyon Creek. The slope eroding away below the roadway is almost entirely composed of soil and rocks less than a foot in diameter.

John Day City Manager Nick Green informed the council about the situation at their May 21 meeting and said the matter would be on the May 28 agenda for discussion.

His hope is to include this important repair project with others related to this spring's high runoff and flood conditions in an application for



The Eagle/Richard Hanners
Nick Ducote, an environmental consultant, addresses the John Day City Council about federal compliance measures related to funding for the city's wastewater treatment project.

emergency funding. Green said he didn't want

a patchwork fix. He also said Grant County Emergency Management Coordinator Ted Williams was looking into the matter.

In other city council news, a revised professional services agreement with Anderson Perry and four resolutions required for federal funding were unanimously approved as part of the wastewater treatment plant project.

Under the amended agreement, Anderson Perry will be paid a lump sum of \$335,000 for design engineering that will be funded by a federal community development block grant.

Additional work would be paid on an hourly basis,

including preliminary engineering for easement and land acquisition, environmental reports and permitting, and assistance with purple pipe layout for reclaimed water.

Anderson Perry will also provide construction engineering services for bidding, construction support, progress payments, change orders, full-time construction observation and advice on warranties, documentation and initial facility startup.

Other possible services include geotechnical exploration, conditional permitting and obtaining project funding.

The four resolutions

passed for federal compliance purposes establish city policies for fair housing, serving residents with limited English proficiency, prohibiting use of excessive force for nonviolent civil rights demonstrations and providing benefits to low or very low income residents.

Nick Ducote of La Grande, the environmental consultant for the city's wastewater treatment project, explained the purpose of the four resolutions.

An executive session with John Day-Canyon City Parks & Recreation District regarding real property negotiations was canceled as the matter to be discussed was not ready, Green said.

COPS AND COURTS

Arrests and citations in the Blue Mountain Eagle are taken from the logs of law enforcement agencies. Every effort is made to report the court disposition of arrest cases.

Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week of May 22:

Concealed handgun licenses: 10
Average inmates: 13
Bookings: 11
Releases: 10
Arrests: 1
Citations: 1
Fingerprints: 10
Civil papers: 9
Warrants processed: 2
Asst./welfare check: 0
Search and rescue: 0
May 20: Ryan Dean, 24, Salt Lake City, Utah, was cited for exceeding the speeding limit, 53/35 zone, and driving uninsured.

Justice Court

• Driving uninsured: Candice M. Mecham, 35, John Day, March 31, fined \$265.

Oregon State Police

May 19: Contacted occupants of a vehicle parked on Highway 26 near Dog Creek Road. After the driver allegedly provided false information, it was determined he was driving with a suspended license and had an outstanding warrant from Umatilla County. A search of the vehicle turned up a crystal substance presumed to be methamphetamine. Kevin S. Chamberlain, 28, Pendleton, was arrested and charged with providing false

information to a police officer, failure to present an operator's license and possession of methamphetamine. Lee Scott, 25, was arrested and charged with two counts of possession of methamphetamine.

May 20: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 west of John Day, Brian O. Luglan was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.07%.

May 23: Investigated a domestic assault incident at a grocery store in Prairie City and established probable cause to charge a man with fourth-degree assault and menacing.

May 23: Following a traffic stop on Highway 395 in Canyon City, a search of a vehicle turned up an opened bottle of whiskey. Terry L. Whitten, 53, John Day, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.12%.

May 25: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 east of Dayville, an open container of alcohol and marijuana was found in the vehicle. Jeffrey T. Martin, 39, Prineville, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.06%.

Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked 168 calls during the week of May 20-26, including:

• **John Day Police Department**
May 20: Dispatched to a

harassment complaint at Riverside Trailer Park in John Day.

May 24: Received a report of a fraudulent phone call on North Canyon Boulevard in John Day.

May 24: Darla C. Carpenter, 55, Prairie City, was cited on Chimney Gulch Road for using a cellphone while driving.

May 24: Investigated a burglary report at an apartment complex on East Main Street in John Day.

May 24: Received a 911 call about a domestic case on Northwest Second Street in John Day.

May 24: Advised of a suspicious vehicle at the Seventh Street Complex in John Day.

May 24: Received a 911 call about disorderly conduct on Northwest Second Street in John Day.

May 25: Responded to a noise complaint at a mobile home park on West Main Street in John Day.

May 25: Jason D. Ross, 22, was cited at a gas station on West Main Street in John Day for providing alcohol to a minor.

May 25: Responded with sheriff's office assistance to a domestic dispute report at a mobile home park on West Main Street in John Day.

May 26: Advised of a noninjury crash on West Main Street in John Day.

May 26: Responded with sheriff's office and state police assistance to a report of a small child running barefoot down Main Street. The child was located and was safe.

May 26: Dispatched with

sheriff's office assistance to Southwest Brent Drive in John Day for a domestic dispute.

• Oregon State Police

May 23: Advised of a noninjury crash on Highway 402.

May 23: Received a livestock complaint on Highway 395 near Seneca.

May 25: Advised of cattle on Highway 26 near Dog Creek Road.

May 25: Received a livestock complaint on Highway 26 east of Dayville.

May 26: Advised of a suspicious vehicle on Highway 26 at Blue Mountain Summit.

May 26: Received a report of loose cows on Highway 26 near Dog Creek Road.

• Grant County Sheriff's Office

May 20: Received a 911 call about an unwanted person on North Cozart Street in Prairie City.

May 21: Advised of fraud on North McHaley Street in Prairie City.

May 21: Received a report of a noninjury crash on Canyon Mountain Trail in Canyon City.

May 22: Advised of a livestock complaint on West Bench Road in John Day.

May 23: Received a report of a suicidal person in the Monument area.

May 23: Advised of trespassing on Wiley Creek Road in Mt. Vernon.

May 23: Received a report of an assault in the Marysville area in John Day.

May 23: Advised of a sexual abuse report in Seneca.

May 24: Received a report of a suspicious person at the airport in John Day.

May 26: Received a 911 call about a domestic case on Highway 26 in Mt. Vernon.

• John Day ambulance

May 20: Transported a patient to a hospital in Bend.

May 20: Dispatched to a senior home in John Day.

May 20: Responded to South Johnson Avenue in Prairie City for a 46-year-old woman.

May 21: Dispatched to a mobile home park on West Main Street in John Day for a man.

May 22: Transported a patient to the airport in John Day.

May 22: Paged to North-

east Seventh Avenue in John Day for a man with back pain and trouble moving.

May 23: Responded to a senior home in John Day for a 78-year-old woman.

May 24: Dispatched to Ogilvie Drive in John Day for a 99-year-old woman.

May 24: Responded to a mobile home park on West Main Street in John Day for a woman with pain in her side.

May 24: Transported a patient to the airport in John Day.

May 25: Responded to Patterson Drive in Canyon City for a 5-year-old girl with an allergic reaction.

May 26: Dispatched to North Clark Street in Canyon City for a 60-year-old man.

May 26: Transported a patient to the airport in John Day.

• Long Creek ambulance

May 24: Paged to Highway 395 North in Long Creek for a medical emergency.

• U.S. Forest Service

May 25: Advised of a forest fire at the Strawberry Lake Campground.

TWELFTH ANNUAL

FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday, June 15

11am - 3pm

John Day City Park



Don't Stand in Line!
Purchase pre-sale wrist bands for the inflatables at Families First office

- **POOL OPEN - NO CHARGE!** (from 11-2)
- **Arts, Crafts & Activity Booths** (some activities at a minimal cost)
- **Kid's Bike Helmet Exchange**—bring your old one—or \$6 each
- **\$1 Hamburgers and Hotdogs**
- **\$5 for All Day Waterslide, Ninja Warrior Wipeout Race, Spiderman Bounce House, FREE Snocones and GAGA Ball.**
- If you need a **FREE Family Fun Pass** to be able to enjoy this event call **541-575-1006**

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Thanks to the Grant County Court and Northeast Oregon Forests Resource Advisory Committee, Grant Weed Control is able to offer a **50% Cost Share Program for Noxious Weed Control on Private Grazing Lands, through a Title II funded Grant Project.** This program will provide a maximum \$5,000 of noxious weed control services with a \$2,500 maximum landowner contribution to qualifying participants. To be eligible for participation, the treatment property must not be actively irrigated and must be primarily managed for livestock grazing, minimum of 20 acres in size, located within Grant County, and must contain weed species listed on the Grant County Noxious Weed List. Applications for this limited weed control assistance opportunity will be funded on a first come first serve basis.

Applications due by June 5th.

Contact the Grant Soil and Water Conservation District Office at (541) 575-1554 or visit 721 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845 for applications and additional information.

I think of you and miss you every day,
Clayton. You will never be forgotten.
Love, Mom

