

Dayville awarded \$472,000 for community hall

Funding will address structural needs, replace kitchen and bathrooms

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The city of Dayville received \$472,000 in grants to improve and repair its 100-year-old community hall.

U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development announced Oct. 13 that Dayville was awarded \$300,000 in Community Facility Disaster Grants and \$172,000 in Community Facilities Direct Loans and Grants to renovate the community hall.

"The community of Dayville is beyond thrilled that our beloved, 100-year-old community hall will be receiving the much-needed restoration and renovations that it so desperately stands in need of," said Dayville City Recorder Ruthie Moore in a press release from U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley. "This old building is the heart of our community and throughout its 100 years has provided the space for dances, movies, high school basketball games, a box factory during WWII, a skating rink ... weddings, plus so much more."

Moore said, without the renovations, the city would be in jeopardy of losing the facility in the near future due to the building beginning to show its age.

"We are so grateful to the fund-



City Recorder Ruthie Moore and Mayor Ilah Bennett stand in front of the Dayville Community Hall last year.

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ing agencies who are making the restoration of this grand building happen, and we can't wait to fill our old building with 100 more years of memories," Moore said.

Dayville community hall was built in 1920. The funds awarded will help fund structural repairs, install insulation and a new roof, replace the kitchen and bathrooms and more.

"Every Oregonian in every part of our state — regardless of their zip code or their income — should have the facilities and infrastructure necessary to build community and stay safe from risks like

wildfires and cyberattacks," Merkley said. "...These grants will help cover some of those steep upfront costs and put essential services within reach for nearly 25,000 Oregonians."

Malheur National Forest evaluating conditions for prescribed fires

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The U.S. Forest Service said in a press release Monday that it will continue with prescribed burns in John Day, Prairie City and Hines.

The Blue Mountain Ranger District began burning hand piles in the Upper Camp Creek and Sulphur Creek project areas on Monday and Tuesday.

Prairie City Ranger District may continue burning piles in the Elk 16 project area, hand piles near the North Fork Malheur River and grapple piles from Short Creek Guard Station to the Crane

Prairie Guard Station, which started on Monday.

According to the press release, the Forest Service asks that the public avoids these areas for their safety and the safety of fire fighters.

For safety, roads, trails and areas may need to close temporarily as fire-fighter operations are taking place. Smoky conditions may also reduce visibility to a level that would require additional temporary closures.

The prescribed fire operations may also impact camping and hunting. The press release advises hunters to not

camp in or near a prescribed burn area.

With the potential for smoke to settle in certain areas during active operations, the public can monitor the smoke and air quality in the area and across the state by visiting, oregonsmoke.blogspot.com.

For further information on the Malheur National Forest, visit fs.usda.gov/malheursor or call the Supervisor's Office at 541-575-3000.

Additional information regarding the prescribed burning on the Malheur National Forest is available at inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7216.



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A prescribed burn on the Umatilla National Forest in 2019.

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