

State news

Avian flu found in Tillamook

Two cases of the highly pathogenic avian influenza have been found in neighboring noncommercial flocks in Tillamook County, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced Wednesday.

So far none have been found in Clatsop County and these are the first confirmed cases of HPAI in Tillamook County.

Other Oregon counties with cases include Coos, Deschutes, Lane, Linn, and Polk. The two Tillamook County flocks consist of approximately 60 chickens and ducks. The flock owners did

not sell eggs or other poultry products. Therefore, federal guidelines do not require a quarantine.

The flocks were humanely euthanized to prevent the spread of the disease.

Umatilla Depot gets a new name

The Umatilla Chemical Depot in northeastern Oregon was renamed the Raymond F. Rees Training Center, in honor of retired Maj. Gen. Raymond F. Rees, during a ceremony that was planned for Thursday, Sept. 29.

Rees is a retired guardsman who also served as Oregon's adjutant general for more than 16 years, responsible



Ret. Maj. Gen. Raymond Rees

with providing the state and country with a ready force of citizen soldiers and airmen.

The depot opened in 1941 as the Umatilla Army Ordnance Depot.

In 2017, the Oregon Military Department secured 7,500 acres at the depot as a training site for the Oregon National Guard.

Fire team heads to Florida for Ian aid

The Oregon state fire marshal sent a team of 13 incident managers to Florida on Wednesday to assist with the response to Hurricane Ian. They will be there for up to two weeks.

The Florida Division of

Emergency Management requested aid through a mutual agreement with the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.

Specific work sites will be determined as they travel and as Hurricane Ian continues to push across Florida.

State will pilot Medicaid changes

Oregon received federal approval Wednesday to pilot first-in-the-nation changes to the state's Medicaid program.

Under the agreement, Oregon would receive \$1.1 billion in new federal funds over the next five years to address inadequate food, housing and other issues that lead to poor health for people and families struggling to make ends meet.

As part of the agreement, the federal government also approved expanded Oregon Health Plan coverage for young children, and extended eligibility for youth and

adults.

The Oregon Health Plan, which is Oregon's Medicaid program, provides health coverage to 1.4 million Oregonians, more than one in three state residents.

EV stations to go in on I-5, 205, 97

New electric vehicle charging stations are coming to Oregon as part of a federal plan to build a standardized charging network.

Most will go along major roads as early as next year.

Oregon Department of Transportation will receive \$9.6 million this fiscal year, and a total of \$65 million over the next five years.

The fast charging networks will first go in along Interstates 5 and 205, and Highway 97.

Eleven stations, each with four DC Fast Chargers, are expected in 2023. The stations will be within a mile of an exit, and spaced 50 miles apart.

Grant: Real-world experience

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CTE are all about career-connected learning.

The school will partner with community members skilled in the trades needed to build the project and students will learn directly from them.

"We can't throw them on a mower, but they can learn how the machine works," Jannusch said. "I want them to see that these careers are possible in Clatsop County. ... The idea is to provide students with a chance to see how what they're learning in school directly ties to jobs they could be doing in the future. It's pretty unique to do that within a middle school setting."

Pacific Power Foundation is donating more than \$300,000 this grant cycle in its service areas -- Oregon, Washington and a portion of Northern California.

The WMS grant was one of two in Clatsop County. The other goes to the Seaside branch of the American Asso-

ciation of University Women for its college scholarship program.

Research shows that learning happens best when social, emotional and cognitive growth are connected, the foundation wrote in announcing the grant awards.

The primary grant targets are organizations that provide education and STEM learning opportunities.

"These organizations are seeing the needs and doing the important work of supporting families and community members," Pacific Power President Stefan Bird said. "It is an honor to augment their work."

For school district administrators, it's all about preparing children for the real world where they'll need to find living-wage jobs that they'll enjoy.

"This will give our students a leg up as they're going off into trade school, the job market, a two-year school or four-year school," Jannusch said.

Hayshakers Square Dance Club

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