

Fog is seen through the trees along North Fork Nehalem River.

State seeks input on Nehalem River plan

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The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department is taking feedback until mid-October on a proposal to add a 17-mile section of the Nehalem River to the state scenic waterways program.

A scenic waterway designation helps protect the sce-

nic, natural and recreation value of a section of river by subjecting some activities within one-quarter mile of the bank to a review.

The designation would include several miles of the river in southern Clatsop County between Henry Rierson Spruce Run Park and the Beaver Eddy Camp-

ground. The designation would continue downriver to Cougar Valley State Park east of Nehalem.

Public feedback will be

used in a recommendation for or against the designation.

The state parks depart-

The state parks department will hold a hearing from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sept. 12

at the North County Recreation District, 36155 Ninth St., in Nehalem.

Comments can also be emailed to oprd.publiccomment@oregon.gov or mailed to: OPRD Scenic Waterway Study, 725 Summer St NE Suite C, Salem, OR 97301. The comment period closes Oct. 13.

Cannon Beach Fire District receives grant, donation

By Kaelia Neal EO Media Group

The Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District re-

Fire Protection District received a \$9,030 grant and a generous donation of \$50,000.

The Fire District applied for the Volunteer Fire assistance grant in April through the Oregon Department of Forestry.

The grant aids fire departments in rural areas in improving their protection capabilities

By completing 602 inkind match training hours, the fire district matched the grant for a total project cost of \$18,060.

"It will help us fight some of these fires in the wildland

area — anything outside the city limits," Fire Chief Matt Benedict said.

The fire district also received a donation of \$50,000 from the John Harrington Trust. Harrington was a resident of Cannon Beach.

A portion of the donation — \$31,428 — is being used to purchase the Zoll Medical

X Series monitor and defibrillator.

"It (the monitor) helps with the standardization of equipment between the two agencies — the fire department and medic's ambulance," Benedict said.

"This monitor will allow me to use my paramedic skills to its full abilities," he said.

State lifts campfire ban at some beaches

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Beachgoers are once again free to light campfires at designated state beaches.

The state lifted the temporary ban Tuesday, Aug. 22, meaning campfires, candles, charcoal briquettes and tiki-style torches will be allowed in designated areas. The state announced the restriction last week on all open flames at state beaches. Since

then, only fuel sources that can be easily turned off, such as propane stoves and fire pits in select areas, were allowed.

The ban was instituted in anticipation of visitors this past weekend for the solar eclipse as well as increased fire danger due to hot, dry conditions. All permanent restrictions, including no fireworks and keeping fires contained in designated rings, still apply.

High-visibility DUII enforcement is here

Over the Labor Day holiday, Clatsop County law enforcement agencies are participating in the "Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants High Visibility Enforcement" grant from Oregon Impact.

As part of the grant, the law enforcement agencies have extra officers patrolling the roadways, specifically looking for impaired drivers. It is important to remember that impairment is not limited to consuming alcohol. Impairment can also

be caused by marijuana, inhalants and other controlled substances, such as illegal drugs and prescription medications.

Remember "Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving."

There are several ways to get home safely, such as having a designated driver, calling a taxi or walking. Taking a chance is not worth it.

If you see someone you suspect may be operating a motor vehicle while impaired, call 911 immediately.

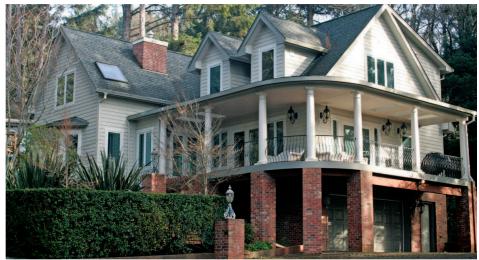
Cannon Beach Cottage & Garden Tour Three-Day Event September 8Th - 10Th, 2017 FRIDAY, September 8 6:00 p.m. Kicks off with concert & reception featuring Kelsey Mousley. Refreshments by Sweet Charity at Cannon Beach Chamber Hall (207 North Spruce Street) Tickets \$15 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 12:00 p.m. Luncheon by Sweet Charity & Lecture by Dr. Doug Deur at the Cannon Beach Chamber Hall. Tickets \$25 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Home & Garden Tour of north Cannon Beach. Tickets \$35 6:00 p.m. Thistle & Rose Concert & Reception (Fall raffle takes place at this time (included in cost of Home & Garden Tour ticket))

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
11:00 a.m. Garden Tea & presentation by Dawn
Hummel. Takes place at Cannon Beach Chamber Hall. *Tickets \$20*

Weekend packages are \$75 with discounts for members Advance Ticket purchases recommended For tickets call 503-436-9301 or visit www.cbhistory.or;

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