

Ione 4-H gears up for fair



Ione Community 4-H Livestock Club first-year member Carson Eynetich shows off his pigs, Kit and Kat, during a recent project visit by his leader. Carson is involved in football, basketball, baseball, children's choir, community pep band and runs his own lawn-mowing business. He is the son of Jeff and Dawn Eynetich and a fourth-grader at Ione Community School. —Photo by Erin Heideman

B2H comments posted for review

Vale, Ore.—The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Vale District has posted the comments received from the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line Project.

The Idaho Power Company proposes the construction of the Boardman to Hemingway Project a 500 kilovolt, single-circuit electric transmission line from a proposed substation near Boardman to the Hemingway Substation near Melba, ID, a distance of approximately 305 miles.

The transmission line, as proposed, would provide supplemental capacity for energy exchange between the Intermountain West and the Pacific Northwest. The line is also touted as providing improved service load, increased reliability and additional capacity to interconnect resources in order to distribute power load dependent upon re-

gional needs.

The specifics of the proposed transmission line can be found at <http://www.boardmantohemingway.com/>.

The DEIS was made available for public comment in December, 2014.

Following a 90 day comment period, the comments were collected and are now available at <http://www.boardmantohemingway.com/deiscomments.aspx>. In all, 380 comments were received.

The BLM is analyzing the comments and will use them to formulate the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The remaining schedule for the FEIS will be released following comprehensive review of all submitted comments.

You can check for updates on the Boardman to Hemingway Project at the project website at <http://www.boardmantohemingway.com/>.

Ione FFA plant sale this weekend



Ione FFA plant sale is this coming Saturday, May 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ione School Greenhouse (next to the tennis courts). Lots of hanging baskets and pots perfect for Mother's Day gifts will be available. —Contributed photo

Ione welcomes travellers in style thanks to FFA



Ione FFA members repaired and repainted the City of Ione sign as a community service project. The top corners have metal cardinal cutouts from the plasma cutter. Pictured L-R are Austin Carter, David Smidmajer, Sam Gilbert and Zack Irons. —Photo by Erin Heideman

Sheriff's Report

September 30: -Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report from the Heppner motel that a large German shepherd was running around the motel and almost got hit twice. They knew who it belonged to, but couldn't get ahold of him.

-MCSO Deputy reported a St. Bernard and a Chihuahua running around A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon.

-MCSO received report from a subject on Kunze Lane in Boardman that his neighbor's German Shepherds are always out. They reported that the German Shepherds got a hold of their dog through the fence and "tore him up." They said they just got their dog back from the vet and wanted a deputy to respond.

-MCSO received report from an Irrigon woman that two wiener dogs showed up at her place. She put them in a kennel, but wanted a deputy to take them to Pet Rescue.

-MCSO received request for an incident number for cats that had been caught at Boardman Foods and will be taken to Pet Rescue.

-MCSO received report that Robert Miguel Aguilera, 32, was picked up by Stanfield Police Department and lodged at Umatilla County Jail for Parole Violation/Possession of Methamphetamine with no bail.

-MCSO received report from a Heppner subject that there was a dead deer at Hager Park near his property.

-MCSO received report from a Heppner woman that she heard some noise outside her kitchen window and her dogs were barking. She requested that a deputy check the area. MCSO was unable to locate anyone.

-MCSO received report of a dog bite from Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

-MCSO received report from an Irrigon subject that a 29-year-old female was having suicidal thoughts. A deputy made contact and advised Community Counseling Solutions.

-MCSO received report of two cows out on I-84, Boardman.

October 1: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report of two cows out at Boardman rest area westbound.

Boardman Road Dept advised a driver drove through their flagger sta-

tions and around their equipment.

MCSO arrested Dellyne Beth Crum (Trumbull) on an IJC warrant for Failure to Pay Fines.

MCSO received a report from Irrigon High School of students parking the wrong way and practicing bad driving habits.

MCSO received a report of an elderly male who walks his dog and does not clean up after his dog goes to the bathroom.

MCSO received a report from a woman that she had ben scammed for \$5000.

MCSO was advised of two black cars, one Honda Civic, one Subaru, drag racing on the freeway near Boardman.

MCSO received a report of equipment stolen from a truck at Boardman Rest Area westbound.

MCSO was advised that some needed to be trespassed from a residence on Buttermilk Canyon Rd, Heppner.

MCSO received a report of a young girl sitting on the bench outside of Bucknum's Tavern. She had seen her there three times already that week, sitting by herself. The child looked 7 or 8 years old.

October 2: -Morrow County Sheriff's Office was advised that a Chevy Equinox with no plate went speeding by on Butter Creek Road/Hwy. 207-Echo.

-A caller in Ione requested contact regarding his ex-wife and children.

-A woman in Heppner advised MCSO that her husband had been drinking and was abusive. MCSO responded.

-MCSO took juveniles into custody behind the Irrigon Learning Center on charges of Criminal Trespass II and Possession of a Controlled Substance—Marijuana. Juveniles were lodged at NORCOR.

-A woman in Heppner reported that her daughter woke her up screaming and yelling; she got into a fight with her boyfriend. Caller was worried for her daughter's safety, worried she would harm herself. Deputy responded and Community Counseling Solutions needs to be contacted in the morning. The female had calmed down and advised she would take to a CCS worker in the morning.

-MCSO was advised that Gresham Police Dept. had arrested Tomas Luna Lopez, 23, on a Morrow County Warrant for Failure

to Appear on charges of Driving While Suspended—Misdemeanor.

October 3: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report of a juvenile complaint in Heppner with a daughter waking her mother up screaming and yelling, saying she got into a fight with her boyfriend. The mother said she was worried for her daughter's safety and was worried she would harm herself. A deputy responded and advised that Community Counseling Solutions was to be contacted in the morning. The daughter had calmed down and said she would talk to a CCS worker in the morning, but did not want to that evening.

-MCSO received report that Gresham Police Department arrested Tomas Luna Lopez, 23, on a Morrow County warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving While Suspended misdemeanor. He was lodged at Multnomah County Detention Center with \$1,166.50 bail in full.

-MCSO received report of a passenger headed toward Heppner and just passing the OHV park possibly having a heart attack. The cell call was very broken and connection was lost.

-MCSO received report of a brown horse wandering around behind A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon. The caller was concerned because the horse had a saddle on and a cell phone attached, but no rider. The rider was located and was ok and reunited with the horse.

-MCSO received report of trash dumped around Pettys Canyon Lane. The trash appeared to be debris from a remodel as well as items from a dairy.

-MCSO received report of yelling and children crying on Division St. in Irrigon. A deputy made contact and a female advised of a verbal disagreement between her and the children's father.

-MCSO received report from a subject on Shobe Canyon who said she had been received calls from someone who said they were from the Internal Affairs branch of the U.S. Treasury and that the woman had a federal warrant out for her arrest due to lack of action. A deputy made contact ad advised to contact the FTC.

-MCSO received report that Umatilla County Jail had arrested Ryan Duwayne

Payne, 35, on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Rape I. he was lodged at Umatilla County Jail with no bail.

-MCSO received report of a possible drunk person at a football game in Heppner.

-MCSO received report of a one-vehicle motor vehicle accident about a half mile east of Kelly Prairie. The subject had unknown injuries, with a possible head wound. MCSO, Heppner Ambulance and Heppner Fire Department responded. MCSO cited Kevin Ryan Marshall, 42, for Careless Driving with an Accident/Injury.

October 5: -MCSO received report of a male who left Lakeview Heights in Heppner; a description of clothing was given but direction of travel was uncertain. MCSO arrested Arthur Henry Chavanne, 52, for Disorderly Conduct II.

-A man outside of Ione reported that a male had given permission for hunters to hunt on property he did not own. Caller called back and advised that the landowner would be speaking with the male subject and they would be handling the complaint among themselves.

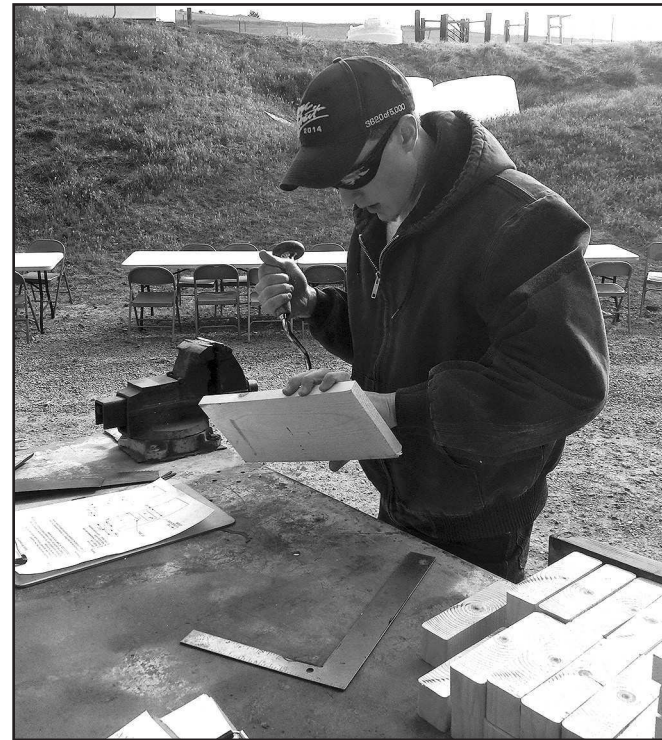
-A caller in Irrigon reported he was walking and a brown and white pit bull tried to attack his dog. The caller requested that the dog's owner be spoken with. A deputy responded and spoke with a possible owner; there were several dogs matching that description in the neighborhood.

-MCSO received report of possible missing persons; a female reported that her parents went hunting yesterday and were supposed to return the previous night but had not. She advised they were hunting somewhere in the Heppner Unit but she was unsure where.

-MCSO was advised that a man and his hunting partners located a four-wheeler that was upside down off a bank. The caller advised the key was in it and no one was around. Due to call volume and the possibility that the location was in Grant County, the call was referred to Oregon State Police.

-MCSO was advised that Harney County arrested Diana Flores, 53, on a Morrow County warrant for Failure to Appear on Failure to Appear. The subject was cited and released to appear at Irrigon Justice Court.

Morter takes second at FFA districts



Ione FFA chapter member Austin Morter took second place in the wood-working contest at the district FFA shop skills contest last week at BMCC. Ione took 11 members to compete in the areas of arc, plasma and o2 welding, as well as wood-working, electricity, PVC/copper pipe soldering and tractor driving. —Photo by Erin Heideman

ODFW to hold public meeting

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife would like to invite all interested people to attend a public meeting on Wednesday, May 6, from 6-9 p.m. at the ODFW office in Heppner. The ODFW office is located in the old Kinzua mill office at 54173 Hwy. 74 in Heppner. They will be discussing the proposed tag numbers for the 2015 big game seasons as well as proposed new hunts for 2016.

ODOT Eastern Oregon construction update

LA GRANDE, Ore.—Travelers can expect to see orange traffic cones and construction workers throughout eastern Oregon as about 30 Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) projects get underway for the summer.

A half-dozen road and bridge projects have already begun or will begin this month.

Locally, a pavement chip seal is planned on OR 207 (Lexington - Echo Highway) between Kilkeny Road and the Morrow County line.

Lane closures, reduced speeds, day/nighttime flaggers, pilot cars, loose rock on the roadway and delays up to 20 minutes can be expected as part of this process. Work is expected to start early June and take

about a week with completion by July, 2015.

Also, work will continue on OR 207 (Hermiston Highway) as workers replace Hinkle Bridge one mile north of I-84 Exit 182.

Expect occasional flaggers, lane restrictions and minor delays.

Work on this multi-year project is ongoing with expected completion in November.

For up-to-date traffic condition information, visit TripCheck.com.

Road condition information is also available by phone by dialing 5-1-1, or 800-977-6368.

The ODOT 2015 Summer Construction Map listing major highway projects statewide will be posted at www.Oregon.gov/ODOT in May.