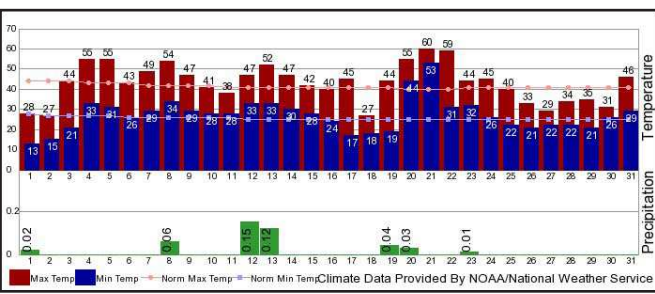


# Heppner slightly warmer in December



According to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton, temperatures at Heppner averaged slightly warmer than normal during the month of December.

The average temperature was 35.1 degrees which was 1.6 degrees above normal. High temperatures averaged 43.1 degrees, which was 1.7 degrees above normal. The highest was 60 degrees on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Low temperatures averaged 27.0 degrees, which was 1.5 degrees above normal. The lowest was 13 degrees, on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

There were 24 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees. There were five days when the high temperature stayed below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 0.43 inches during December, which was 0.89 inches below normal. Measurable

precipitation, at least .01 inch, was received on seven days with the heaviest, 0.15 inches reported on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Precipitation in 2019 totaled 12.96 inches, which is 1.04 inches below normal. Since October, the water year precipitation at Heppner has been 1.38 inches, which is 2.68 inches below normal.

Snowfall totaled one inch with at least one inch of snow reported on one day. The heaviest snowfall was 1.0 inches reported on the 1<sup>st</sup>. The greatest depth of snow on the ground was three inches on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

The outlook for January from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for below normal temperatures and near normal precipitation. Normal highs for Heppner during January are 43.6 degrees and normal lows are 26.7 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 1.47 inches.

# D A's Report

Morrow County District Attorney Justin Nelson has released the following report:

- Drion M Donner, 30, was convicted of Count 1: unauthorized use of a vehicle, committed on or about October 15, 2019. Conviction was based upon a guilty plea on December 19, 2019. Defendant's drivers license is suspended for one year. Defendant is sentenced to the custody of Oregon Dept. of Corrections for a period of 13 months. This sentence shall be concurrent with all previously

imposed sentences.

The post-prison supervision is one year. The court recommends as a condition of post-prison supervision: complete alcohol/drug eval and any recommended treatment, no contact with victims, mental health evaluation and treatment if recommended.

Defendant shall: restitution is to remain open for statutory period of 90 days. Maintain contact with attorney, if any, and appear at any scheduled restitution hearing.

Count 2: driving under

# Port of Morrow receives grant

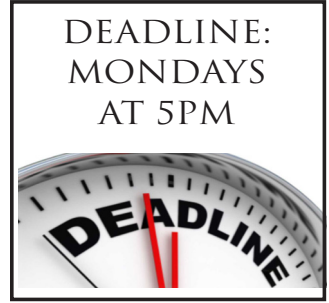
Representative Greg Walden (R-Hood River) recently announced that the Department of Transportation (DOT) awarded \$1,623,000 in federal funding to the Port of Morrow to assist with improving equipment and infrastructure in order to meet the needs of the Port's marine terminals. The funding will help extend the Port's barge service and lead to reduced transportation costs and decreased road and rail traffic.

In October, Walden wrote to Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao urging DOT to award this grant funding to the Port. The Port was able to apply for the grant due to DOT's Maritime Administration (MARAD) designating the Port of Morrow for Marine Highway Project Designation and thus expand additional funding opportunities for the Port and simultaneously increase economic opportunity for the region.

"The Columbia River

system is a valuable asset for transporting wheat and other products from eastern Oregon to the world and the Port of Morrow plays a pivotal role in that system," said Walden. "Last summer, I worked with the Port of Morrow to secure Marine Highway Project Designation for the Port, which they earned in August. In the fall, I wrote a letter to Secretary Chao urging her to grant the Port of Morrow these funds so that they could modernize their infrastructure and help increase economic opportunity for the region. I want to thank Secretary Chao and the Trump Administration for awarding these funds and continuing to provide for Oregonians."

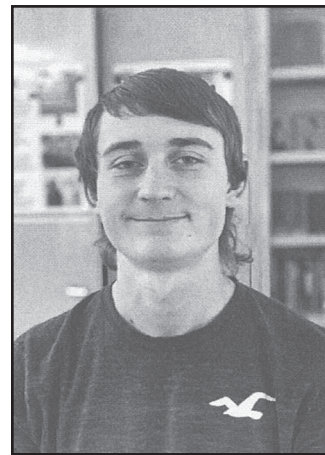
"Securing these funds was not a simple process and first required a formal designation from MARAD, making our project one of just thirty-four nationwide and only one of three on the west coast. I would like to express our thanks to Senator Merkley, Senator Wyden, and Rep. Walden for going above and beyond with their support at every step of the process. With their help, the expanded barge service under this project will help create family wage jobs in the region, reduce transportation costs and alleviate highway and rail congestion," said Ryan Neal, Port of Morrow Executive Director.



the influence of intoxicants, misdemeanor class A, committed on or about November 15, 2019. Conviction is based upon a guilty plea on December 19, 2019. Defendant's drivers license is suspended for one year. Defendant is sentenced to the custody of county jail for a period of 30 days. This sentence shall be concurrent with all previously imposed sentences.

Counts disposed with no conviction: Count 3, criminal mischief in the second degree is dismissed; Count 4, reckless driving is dismissed.

# Students selected for Washington DC trip



Hunter Greenup

Hunter Greenup and Hannah Palmer from Heppner will act as student representatives for the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative NRECA Youth Tour in Washington D.C. this summer, June 18-24, 2020.

While at the nation's capital, the students will have a chance to speak with Oregon's state representatives, learn about electric cooperatives, listen to motivational speakers and tour national landmarks including the Smithsonian and the Vietnam War Memorial.

Hunter, the son of Travis and Tiffanie Greenup, is a junior at Heppner High School. He is active in football, basketball, golf, trap shooting, art and culture club. He is a former ASB officer and a member of FFA. He is also interning at Jay Coil Fabricating and ODFW. Hunter's commu-



Hannah Palmer

nity service has included Mustang mop-up, helping clean up the Morrow County fairgrounds, coaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball and helping neighbors with yard work. Hunter enjoys hunting, fishing, trap shooting, riding horses and rodeo events.



Hannah, the daughter of Jason and Jennifer Palmer, is a junior at Heppner High School. She participates in cross country, TSA club where she has been a TSA state officer, drama club, class secretary and national honor society. Hannah's community service has included helping with blood drives, volunteering at the Willow Creek Terrace assisted living facility, raking leaves for the elderly and volunteering at the school carnival. Hannah's hobbies include playing piano, singing in choir, writing stories, sewing, acting and reading.

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