

Sheriff's Report

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August 1: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report at Bombing Range Rd/Lindsay Feedlot Ln, Boardman, of debris in the roadway.

-MCSO received report at Kangaroo Court Ln/W Eighth Rd, Irrigon, that subject is walking in the middle of the roadway and is not moving for cars.

-MCSO received report on NW Center St, Heppner, that a 40 yo female is bleeding from her incision. Transported.

-MCSO received report at W Sperry St/NW Morgan St, Heppner of people speeding on Sperry St.

-MCSO received report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon, that a silver Toyota Camry sped down towards Tenth. Vehicle came back and went towards Division. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received report at Mustang Diner on NE Chase St, Heppner, that caller advised that under the bridge she believes there are about two or three juveniles under the influence of marijuana. She states that she can smell marijuana. She was unable to get a description of the juveniles, but they had a dog with them as well.

-MCSO received report at Heppner Market Fresh on N Main St, Heppner, that person is concerned for her cousin who is nowhere to be found and left his wheel chair.

-MCSO received report at High Banks on Paterson Ferry Rd/Riverview Ln, Irrigon, of a suicidal female.

-MCSO received report at Pettyjohn's on Linden Way, Heppner of an injured buck in front of Pettyjohn's on Hwy 74.

August 2: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report on Columbia Ln, Irrigon that there is a dog in a small kennel area, and she does not believe it is being taken care of.

-MCSO received report at Wilson Ln/Root Ln, Boardman that there is a construction light that is facing the roadway.

-MCSO received report on NE Aiken St, Heppner that caller offered to let his neighbors use pallets to setup a yard. They used the pallets and screwed them together and caller would like them back now. Civil issue.

-MCSO received report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon, that a yellow cab, wrecker type vehicle went through the stop sign on Seventh and went at a high rate of speed towards Division.

-MCSO received report at Oregon Trail Library on N Main St, Heppner, found graffiti on the outside of the building.

-MCSO received report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that there is a strange sound in her room. Thinks it might be her sister who was reported as a runaway a week ago.

-MCSO received report at Glen Haven Apartments on NE Pioneer Dr, Heppner that caller is requesting contact with a deputy about a subject harassing her son. Under investigation.

-MCSO received report caller wanted to report a family member that was

kidnapped in the last day or so from Irrigon. Caller advised the family member is 24-years-old.

-MCSO received report at E May St/NE Chase St, Heppner, that caller saw a male and female fighting and then the male hit the female. Male took off in a black Ford Expedition, went down May towards Main. Female is walking towards the courthouse. Under investigation.

-MCSO received report on I 84 E, Boardman, of a single vehicle rollover. Patient transported to GSH.

-MCSO received report on SE Fourth St, Irrigon that caller wants to report a noise complaint, has been an ongoing issue. MCSO responded; noise was not loud. Unfounded.

-MCSO received report on SE Court St, Heppner, that caller just got home, male came over with another female and wants them all trespassed. MCSO made contact. Male resides at residence and cannot be trespassed. Female was invited onto the property by the male.

August 3: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report at Bank of Eastern Oregon, S First St, Irrigon of two suspicious females.

-MCSO received report at Port View Apartments on Columbia Ave NE, Boardman of a motor vehicle accident, hit the garages, took off on foot towards Lamb Weston.

-MCSO received report on Hwy 74, Ione that a loaded hay truck has its trailer in the roadway around a blind corner. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received report at Neighborhood Center on N Main St, Heppner that caller is requesting contact to trespass someone. Believes he is highly intoxicated.

-MCSO received report on SE Court St, Heppner that caller wants to report a strangulation. Under investigation.

-MCSO received report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a black GMC Envoy sped 45 mph towards Tenth. MCSO was in the area at the time of the complaint and did not see that vehicle. Unfounded.

-MCSO received report at Hwy 74/Dee Cox Rd, Heppner that a vehicle hit a deer, no fire or medical needed. Is starting to back up traffic and requesting deputy response. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon, that a black Dodge 4-door pickup towing a flat bed trailer sped towards Tenth.

-MCSO received report requesting extra patrol at Oregon Trail Library on N Main St, Heppner for vandalism and people sleeping.

-MCSO received report at W Fourth Rd/W Hwy 730, Irrigon of gun shots going on for the last 15 minutes, believes it is a high caliber. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received report at Bull Prairie Campground that a subject is intoxicated, possibly needs assistance. Camp host is the one requesting the help. MCSO responded; male was sleeping in the bed of his pickup. Camp hosts were advised.

August 4: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received request for extra patrol at MCGG at Paterson Ferry Rd. in Irrigon until the gate. The gate had been broken and they had a theft of fuel.

-MCSO received request for extra patrol on Chase St. in Heppner due to a break in. The caller requested MCSO to check that no lights were on, and the residence was secured.

-MCSO received request for extra patrol for the lone area, due to harvest traffic. They received report of wheat trucks speeding.

-MCSO received report of a dead deer near the roadway on Hwy. 74, Heppner. The call was referred to another agency.

-MCSO received report of a white pickup hauling an enclosed trailer that had lost a tire and was throwing sparks on I-84 Boardman. MCSO responded and the trailer tire was replaced.

-MCSO received request for extra patrol at N.E. Oregon Avenue and North First St. in Irrigon concerning speeding vehicles twice a day. MCSO responded, but no violations were observed.

-MCSO received a 911 call with what sounded like shop machinery and someone saying, "No, no, no." There was no answer on call back.

-MCSO received report of a gold Pontiac Grand Am parked partially in the lane of travel facing the wrong direction at S.E. Seventh St. and S.E. Utah in Irrigon. The vehicle was unoccupied with the windows rolled down. MCSO was unable to locate the vehicle.

-MCSO received request for phone contact concerning a trailer full of junk parked on public works property for the last two-three weeks.

-MCSO responded to a report of a juvenile complaint at A.C. Houghton Elementary in Irrigon.

-MCSO received report from a subject on S.E. Utah in Irrigon who said her son-in-law is in the house and he was not supposed to be there. MCSO and Irrigon Ambulance responded, and Community Counseling was advised, and a patient was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

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-MCSO received a parking complaint at West Willow and N.W. Gale St. in Heppner.

-MCSO reported a check at Willow Creek Reservoir in Heppner.

-MCSO received report of littering at Umatilla National Wildlife Refuge. The call was under investigation.

-MCSO assisted a citizen retrieving a hat from a yard with dogs in it at S.E. Court St. and S.E. August St. in Heppner.

-MCSO received report at the Oregon Trail Library on Main St. in Heppner of a non-injury motor vehicle accident. The caller said his car was backed into around 9:30 that morning and wanted to make con-

tact with a deputy to file a report. He estimated damages around \$7,000. MCSO made contact and took the report.

-MCSO received report of a stolen firearm taken from a gas station at Paterson, WA. The call was transferred to another agency.

-MCSO received report of suspicious activity on N.E. Aiken St. in Heppner. The caller advised that individuals at the location are moving and are taking a travel trailer with them and was concerned that the trailer did not belong to them. MCSO checked the area and advised that the individuals were just packing up items from their residence.

-MCSO received report of a fight between two men on Steagall Rd. in Irrigon. The caller reported that a male was attempting to leave in his vehicle. MCSO responded.

-MCSO received request for extra patrol on N.E. Aiken St. in Heppner concerning thefts.

-MCSO received report from a man in Heppner who advised his son had been bullied lately and had been punched in the head. He stated he did not want to press charges but wanted to make phone contact in case the bullying escalated. MCSO made contact.

-MCSO received request for extra patrol around the creek behind the library at the Oregon Trail Library in Heppner concerning vandalism and people sleeping in the park.

-MCSO received report of a violation of a restraining order on N.E. Main in Irrigon. The caller reported that her husband has been contacting her and there was a non-contact order. MCSO reported that the incident was unfounded.

-MCSO received report from a subject on S.E. Eighth St. in Irrigon that his neighbor was intoxicated and was driving with children in the vehicle. MCSO was unable to locate the vehicle.

-MCSO received report from a subject on S.E. Utah Ave. in Irrigon of a gold Chevy Silverado speeding towards 10th. MCSO was unable to locate the vehicle.

-MCSO received report of suspicious activity at N.W. Opal Place in Irrigon with a subject in a blue Toyota Prius grabbing packages from the bushes against the fence line at the recycling center. MCSO responded, but the vehicle was gone by the time MCSO arrived.

-MCSO responded to a disabled vehicle at Columbia Lane/W. Seventh Road in Irrigon. The individuals had stopped to secure a load.

-MCSO received report of a deceased deer at Bombing Range Rode, Boardman. The deer was removed from the roadway and a voicemail was left with the road department.

-MCSO responded to assist Richland Police Department with a welfare check. RPD said they received information that a female was making statements that a subject killed his wife and children.

Blue Mountains NF prepare to reinitiate Forest Plan Revision

The Malheur, Umatilla and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests (Blue Mountains) are preparing to reinitiate the revision process for the Blue Mountains Land Management Plans (Forest Plans). The Forest Service's intent builds upon the recommendations from the Blues Intergovernmental Council (BIC) on several polarizing forest management issues from the withdrawn Forest Plans. The content will serve as a baseline to be further informed by public engagement, as well as Tribal and agency consultation, throughout the plan revision process.

The BIC was formed in 2019 and consists of government leaders from impacted counties, states, federal and Tribal entities. The diverse membership of the BIC ensures numerous perspectives and interests are represented in these discussions. The Forest Service has worked closely with the BIC over the past two years on key issues from the withdrawn Forest Plans. Through these discussions, the BIC provided recommendations on several forest management issues, including riparian livestock grazing, fisheries, hydrology, forest health and access. The BIC also commissioned and oversaw the completion of a socioeconomic analysis that identifies potential community impacts from forest management decisions. These discussions and products offer important context that will improve the Forest Plan revision process moving forward.

With these products, the Forest Service is now ready to reinitiate Forest Plan revision under the 2012 planning rule, which will include robust external engagement opportunities throughout the entire process. Using the 2012 planning rule, each Forest Supervisor will sign a separate decision for their respective National Forest's revised Forest Plan. This approach enhances opportunities for local engagement and contributions because the decisions will be made at the local level. The Forest Service is eager to begin the official planning process and hear input on Tribal, individual and community values. Public involvement will help the Forest Service gain local knowledge about existing forest conditions and understand concerns about community or resource impacts from proposed changes in the revised Forest Plans.

The Blue Mountains National Forests are currently forming a team to develop the revised Forest Plans. The planning team will include a mixture of local Forest Service staff, individuals from other areas and support from the Pacific Northwest Regional Office. Additional updates and a timeline will be shared once the team is in place, including future engagement opportunities. The Forest Service will also continue

to work closely with the BIC, whose members have committed to bring regular feedback to the Forest Service regarding content in the draft documents or ways to improve the process.

The Forest Plan is a comprehensive document that guides forest resource management, use and protection. It aims to balance multiple uses and sustained yield of forest resources. It sets forth a vision for land management, describes the desired conditions within the forest, and lays out specific objectives, standards and guidelines for how to achieve those desired conditions. The document is strategic in nature and does not approve projects or actions on National Forest lands.

Multiple uses provided by the National Forests (including livestock grazing, timber harvest, forest recreation, tourism and subsistence activities) are all important to economic and social life in the Blue Mountains area. Currently, the Blue Mountains National Forests are operating under Forest Plans that were signed in the 1990s. Revising the Forest Plans will provide an updated framework to guide forest management that considers current science and local economic, social and environmental conditions.

The Forest Service previously attempted to revise the Blue Mountains Forest Plans with a planning effort that spanned 15 years. However, when the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Draft Records of Decision were released in 2018, the Forest Service received widespread feedback that the Revised Plans were difficult to understand and potentially confusing to implement, which ultimately resulted in the documents being withdrawn on March 14, 2019.

Following the withdrawal of the Forest Plans, leadership from the Pacific Northwest Regional Office and the Malheur, Umatilla and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests met with local elected leaders in April 2019 to better understand concerns and identify opportunities to approach forest planning in a new way. The participants recognized the need to explore unique approaches, identify common ground and work together at a larger scale. The various government entities within and surrounding the Blue Mountains geographic area officially came together and formed the BIC in November 2019.

By reinitiating plan revision, the Forest Service aims to develop durable Forest Plans that balance the ecological needs of the landscape with the economic and social needs of the communities that depend on them. Having a framework that incorporates local knowledge and input is an integral part of this process and the public's input will help ensure sustainability of the Forests into the future.

The City of Heppner will be mailing out the annual Drinking Water Quality Report this week. The report can also be found at cityofheppner.org



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