

# Umatilla County Fair to move online and Farm-City Pro Rodeo canceled

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Hermiston's biggest events of the year have been put on hold to protect people from COVID-19.

The Umatilla County Fair announced on May 14 that most of the fair's offerings, including concerts, carnival rides, booths and the parade are canceled for 2020. Youth livestock shows and the auction will be modified to include online showings.

"First and foremost, we must keep the public safe and follow the orders set forth by the Governor's office," a news release stated.

They said they have a committee working on what the platform for 4-H and FFA activities will look like, and are taking input from stakeholders.

Governor Kate Brown has stated that gatherings of more than 250 people will not be allowed until at least the end of September.

Farm-City Pro Rodeo also announced on May 14 that they are canceling their event in light of those restrictions.

"We want to thank our sponsors, box seat and reserved seat holders, our Gold Buckle members, our fans and contestants, and the community for their continued support. The event,



Hunter Dyer herds his pig around a pen as the animal is auctioned off in 2019 at the Umatilla County Fair.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney, File

held in conjunction with the Umatilla County Fair, has grown to be one of the top rodeos in the nation," they stated in a Facebook post. "We are proud to have served the community with our rodeo for 32 years. That being said, our 2021 Farm-City Pro Rodeo is going to be bigger and better than ever!"

The Umatilla County Fair's predecessor, the Dairy

and Hog Show, was canceled in 1918 because of a global influenza pandemic.

"The withering hand of a widespread infectious disease had to step in at an inopportune time and put a stop to these well laid plans that meant so much to the dairymen, hog raisers and agricultural people of this community, who have yearly taken just pride in exhibiting the products of

their farms," the *Hermiston Herald* reported at the time.

"But with good grace all bow to the precautionary measures enjoined by a rigid quarantine, and agree that the mayor's proclamation closing schools, the Movie, abandoning church services and stopping all public gatherings is the best method of safeguarding the public against the spread of influenza in this neighborhood."

# People still adopting, caring for pets during COVID-19 pandemic

By JADE MCDOWELL  
NEWS EDITOR

Life has been upended for humans in recent months, but animals are still finding their forever homes.

Beau Putnam, director of Pet Rescue Humane Society of Eastern Oregon in Hermiston, said adoptions at the shelter have increased substantially during the pandemic.

During April and the first week of May they adopted out 72 dogs and 17 cats, leaving the shelter almost empty at times. Some people have come from as far as Portland and Seattle because they couldn't find what they were looking for in their cities.

"People have told me there is no better time to adopt a dog, because they're at home and can train it," Putnam said.

He said people have continued to be generous with monetary donations and donating cleaning supplies, such as bleach, which are in constant demand at the shelter. Pet Rescue runs an accompanying thrift store to help raise money, and he said

it will reopen now that the governor's order to close nonessential businesses has been lifted in Umatilla County.

Michelle Glynn, shelter manager for Pendleton Animal Welfare Shelter, said she hasn't noticed any decrease in adoption numbers.

"Adoptions certainly are happening, which is fantastic," she said.

What she has noticed is a significant increase in people being willing to foster animals temporarily, which has allowed PAWS to provide a home environment for more animals waiting for adoption.

"People are home more, so they're able to provide that," she said.

Glynn said she has seen a lot of questions on social media about whether someone can spread COVID-19 to their pet, or get it from their pet. As scientists continue to study the virus and gain new understandings, she encouraged pet owners to look for the latest updates from the American Veterinary Medical Association for scientifically sound recommendations.

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HH-5804 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Umatilla Hospital District #1, Umatilla, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, will be held at the Umatilla City Hall Conference Room, Main Street, Umatilla, OR 97882. The meeting will take place on May 21, 2020 at 7:30 PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

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HH-5807 CITY OF HERMISTON MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING SERVICES

Proposals Due 5:00 pm June 10, 2020 The City of Hermiston is requesting proposals from qualified engineering firms to provide miscellaneous engineering services on a regular basis, with the potential for additional as-needed services. This work can include, but is not necessarily limited to, planning, design, bidding, and construction management for water, sewer, and street projects, as well as providing project cost estimates, preparing, monitoring, and updating various plans, and performing Civil plan review for developments, along with additional services detailed in the Scope of Work for this RFP. Until the deadline, copies of the Request for Proposal (RFP) documents and instructions for submittal may be obtained online at <https://hermiston.or.us/article/city-hermiston-rfp-miscellaneous-engineering-services> or picked up at the temporary City Hall, 215 E Gladys Ave, Hermiston, OR 97838. Questions can be directed to Mark Morgan at [mmorgan@hermiston.or.us](mailto:mmorgan@hermiston.or.us) or phone 541-567-5521. **Published May 13th and 20th of 2020.**

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HH-5810 COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM OF EAST CENTRAL OREGON (CAPECO) REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA) #05100

CAPECO's WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM IS SEEKING QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS TO PERFORM WEATHERIZATION RESIDENTIAL ENERGY AUDITS AND QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTIONS IN UMATILLA, MORROW, GILLIAM AND WHEELER COUNTIES. THE CONTRACTS WILL BE FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE THE CONTRACT IS SIGNED, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF FOUR ONE YEAR EXTENSIONS THROUGH AN AMENDMENT PROCESS. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON-LINE AT [WWW.CAPECO-WORKS.ORG](http://WWW.CAPECO-WORKS.ORG). APPLICATIONS CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED BY PHONE AT 541-276-1926 EXT 108 OR BY EMAIL AT [aalexander@capeco-works.org](mailto:aalexander@capeco-works.org) ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 PM ON JUNE 1, 2020. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED THAT HAVE BEEN PROPERLY COMPLETED SHALL BE CONSIDERED. SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY. **Published May 20th, and 27th of 2020.**

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HH-5809 \*AMENDED MEETING DATE\* NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the West Umatilla Mosquito Control District, Umatilla County, and State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, will be held at the district office, 3005 South First Street, Hermiston, Oregon. The meeting will take place on the 28th day of May 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose is to receive the budget message and document of the district. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 20, 2020 at 3005 South First Street, Hermiston, Oregon, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the budget committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. **Published May 20, 2020**

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