

Salmon fishing reopens on Columbia

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several lower Columbia River tributaries. Tules are a stock of chinook that spawn primarily in the lower Columbia tributaries. They exhibit a different life-history than "bright"-stock fall chinook, which typically spawn later and migrate farther up the Columbia.

"The tule chinook have moved into the tributaries, so we are able to reopen this area to allow fishing access to other chinook stocks," said Chris Kern, assistant fisheries manager for ODFW's Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program. "The chinook run is definitely winding down and we don't expect many to be caught from here on out, but there are still some upriver brights available."

Under the rule change, the entire Columbia is open to chinook, coho and steelhead fishing through December 31. The daily bag limit is two adult salmon and steelhead in any combination. Steelhead must be adipose fin-clipped in order to be retained, as must coho in all areas downstream of the Hood River. Chinook may be retained whether they are fin-clipped or not.

"Essentially, this change will bring the entire Columbia River back under permanent Oregon fishing regulations for salmon and steelhead, as outlined in the 2010 fishing pamphlet," said Kern.



FEMA comment period, continued

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for the new schools project, and allows the city to retain space dedicated as Spencer Park.

Additionally, the loss of 3.79 acres of wetland to development at the current Spencer Park site will be mitigated by converting required acreage at the old mill site to wetlands.

A draft of the environmental assessment covering these

two aspects of the project, along with other considerations, was provided to meet National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) public notice requirements. Comments on the draft will be taken until 5:00 p.m. November 2.

Additional information is available on the school district website: <http://www.vernonia.k12.or.us/>.

Poster contest for Wash. Co. kids

The Human Rights Council of Washington County has announced its second annual Human Rights Poster Contest, which is open to all elementary and secondary students in Washington County.

The theme of the contest is, "Every Human Has Rights." The poster will be reprinted and displayed around the county to bring awareness to International Human Rights Day, December 10. Winning posters will

also be featured on the Human Rights Council website and will be displayed at Portland's 2010 U.N. Human Rights Day celebration in December.

Prize-winning entries will be selected on their originality, content, design, appeal, technique and craftsmanship. One Grand Prize of \$100 will be given, as well as four category prizes of \$25 each. The categories are: Grades 1-3, Grades 4-5, Grades 6-8, and Grades 9-

12. The winning young artists will be honored with the cash prizes in a public ceremony at the Washington County Martin Luther King Day Celebration on January 16.

Entries are due by November 8, 2010. For more details about the contest, please call 503-846-5792 or visit the Human Rights Council website at www.humanrightswashco.org.

Property tax statements mailed

Approximately 188,000 property tax statements will be mailed to Washington County property owners between October 18 and 25. In the weeks that follow, staff in the County's Department of Assessment & Taxation will assist the public with a variety of inquiries, in-

cluding how property tax bills are determined, what local services are paid for and what the options are for an appeal.

For more information go to <http://www.co.washington.or.us/AssessmentTaxation/News/2010-11-property-tax-statement.cfm>.

Evers set to retire February 2011

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plying the program.

Denise Holmes presented the Library Board report, noting that this is the first time the library board is making a report, and that next year the report will have more text.

City Manager Jim Hough highlighted his report for September, noting the following:

- The Certificates of Participation have received a good average rate of 3.93%. The paperwork is being executed and the money transfer will occur on October 20;

- The city received a protest from Lyda Excavation, Inc., regarding the Traffic Sign Replacement and Upgrade Project. The city has reviewed the complaint and has elected to rescind the original request for proposal;

- Fred Evers, Public Works Supervisor, has notified the city

that he will retire on February 1, 2011. The city is in the process of advertising for his replacement and hopes to have the new person on board in early December;

- Oregon Parks and Recreation Department is planning a Banks-Vernonia State Trail trailhead ribbon-cutting ceremony at 11:00 a.m. Friday, October 29 at the Banks trailhead. The council and the public are invited to attend;

- The first evidentiary hearing on the UGB Expansion will be at a special Planning Commission meeting on December 15, at 7:30 p.m. It is anticipated that City Council will hold the second hearing on February 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The next city council meeting will be on November 9 at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

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