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# Tribal Outreach

## Letter to tribes July 22, 2021



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 21, 2021

Dear Chairperson:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) extends this offer for government-to-government discussion to you and other tribal governments on the updated Smoke Management Plan (SMP) that Ecology will be proposing to include in the state's air quality plan.

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) updated the state's 20-year-old SMP. The purpose of the SMP is to coordinate and facilitate the statewide regulation of prescribed, silvicultural (forestland) burning on lands under the authority of DNR, and on unimproved, federally managed forestlands and participating tribal lands.

In Washington State, several agencies share outdoor burning oversight and authority. Specific jurisdiction depends on the type of burning conducted. DNR has authority and responsibility to regulate silvicultural burning throughout the state and on participating tribal lands.

DNR made some changes to the existing, 1998 SMP. For some changes, they conducted an analysis to show how the SMP will continue to protect the federal National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and the state's regional haze goals. They convened a task force, held several focus groups and conducted a webinar over the last few years. Ecology, DNR, and EPA collaborated to ensure that the updated plan would continue to protect people, Washington's scenic vistas, and meet federal Clean Air Act requirements.

The SMP is part of Washington State's State Implementation Plan (SIP). The SIP contains state and local rules, plans, and programs that direct how the state implements, maintains and enforces air quality standards and achieves visibility goals. Washington's Clean Air Act (Chapter 70.94 RCW) requires compliance with the federal CAA requirements and gives Ecology legal authority to manage the SIP. Ecology's Director, as the Governor's Designee, has responsibility for the SIP. Ecology submits all SIP revisions to EPA for review and approval. Ecology is also responsible for visibility/regional haze plan updates.

After DNR submits the final, draft SMP and supporting documents to Ecology, we will solicit public comments and hold a hearing. We will ask for feedback on whether we should submit the SMP to EPA. After the comment period, Ecology will decide whether to adopt the plan and submit it to EPA to replace the 1998 version in the SIP. We will notify you when we plan to open the formal comment period.

Chairperson  
July 21, 2021  
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After Ecology submits the plan and documents, EPA Region 10 staff will review them, hold a separate public comment period, respond to any comments, and transmit the submittal to EPA headquarters. The 2021 SMP, once approved, will become part of the SIP.

Ecology's mission is to protect air quality for people. We recognize the importance of prescribed burning as a tool for forest management and reducing wildfires. At the same time, we know that with good planning, implementation and oversight, burners can conduct prescribed burning safely and minimize smoke impacts. With careful consideration for timing of approvals, and using best smoke management practices that can minimize smoke, forest health burning can be conducted with minimum impacts to people and public vistas.

Please contact my assistant, Marilyn Turnbow, at [marilyn.turnbow@ecv.wa.gov](mailto:marilyn.turnbow@ecv.wa.gov) or (360) 407-6879, by August 21, 2021 if you would like to schedule a government-to-government discussion on the issue of the DNR's SMP SIP submittal. Although DNR sent invitations for government-to-government consultation in January 2021, Ecology is also providing this separate invitation. DNR is responsible for the SMP and Ecology is responsible for submitting it to EPA for incorporation into the SIP.

If you have questions about the SIP process, please contact Laurie Hulse-Moyer at (360) 522-6610 or [laurie.hulse-moyer@ecv.wa.gov](mailto:laurie.hulse-moyer@ecv.wa.gov). For questions about the SMP, please contact Karen Zirkle at [karen.zirkle@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:karen.zirkle@dnr.wa.gov) or (360) 902-1315.

Sincerely,



Kathy Taylor  
Air Quality Program Manager

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Tyson Hawk Oreiro, Executive Advisor for Tribal Affairs  
Laurie Hulse-Moyer, Environmental Planner  
Tribal Natural Resources Director  
Karen Zirkle, Department of Natural Resources

# Key message handout at EPA-Tribal Air Quality Monthly Call, May 13, 2022

## Washington State Smoke Management Plan SIP Update

Martha Hankins, Policy & Planning Section Manager, Washington State Department of Ecology  
May 13, 2022

The Washington State Department of Ecology is responsible for the state air quality implementation plan (SIP). It consists of rules, plans and programs to protect air quality, and includes the Smoke Management Plan (SMP) developed by the Washington Department of Natural Resources.

- Ecology and DNR have been working cooperatively toward replacing the 1998 SMP currently in the SIP. This is the first update for the Washington SMP in over 20 years. It is a significant update with a number of substantive operational changes.
- We consulted with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency about federal Clean Air Act requirements.
- DNR is responsible for forestland (silvicultural) burning across the state. DNR's updated Smoke Management Plan includes burn approval procedures, practices and techniques to minimize smoke impacts, and an action level to maintain fine particulate matter concentrations below the federal health-based standards.

Ecology is seeking comments on whether the updated 2022 Smoke Management Plan should replace the 1998 version currently in Washington's SIP.

The SMP:

- Outlines the burn approval process and other practices and techniques to minimize smoke impacts and prevent exceedances of federal health-based air quality standards.
- Describes procedures and requirements for DNR and burners to minimize smoke impacts and protect Washington communities from smoke from forestland burning.
- Includes burn approval procedures, practices, and techniques to minimize smoke impacts and an action level to maintain fine particulate matter concentrations below the federal health-based standards.

Key changes from the 1998 plan are:

- Aligning DNR's authority with language in state law ([RCW 70A.15.5140](#)), to deny forest burning if air pollution levels will exceed federal air quality standards.
- Removing the prohibition against summer weekend burning.
- Notifying burners of permission to ignite their units by 4:30 pm the day prior to ignition.
- Allowing burning inside Urban Growth Areas (UGA) on forestland under DNR fire protection, with additional precautions.
- A complaint tracking section to help burners, the public, and regulators respond to and resolve any smoke-related complaints.

Public comment period May 25 - June 30, 2022

- Ecology will be accepting public comments on whether DNR's 2022 SMP should replace the



1998 SMP in the SIP. The SMP and supporting documents will be posted on the Ecology website by May 25, 2022.

- A public hearing will be June 28, 2022, at 6:30 pm through Zoom.
- After receiving and responding to public comments, Ecology will submit the plan to EPA later this summer.

## Public Notice Documents

# Event listing, English and Spanish

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COMMENT PERIOD

## DNR's Smoke Management Plan Update

### State Implementation Plan (SIP)

May 25, 2022 - June 30, 2022, 11:59 p.m.

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Ecology proposes to send EPA the revised air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP) to include Washington Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) updated Smoke Management Plan.

DNR's updated Smoke Management Plan for forest (silvicultural) burning:

- Allows forest burning on summer weekends.
- Changes the time for DNR to decide whether to allow burning to the day before the burning will occur.
- Requires DNR to deny forest burning if air pollution will be more than allowed by federal air quality standards.
- Allows burning on forestland under DNR jurisdiction in [urban growth areas](#), with additional precautions.

### Documents for review:

- [Draft SIP Revision: Including Washington Department of Natural Resource's Smoke Management Plan](#)
- [DNR's Smoke Management Plan](#)
- [SIP Demonstration](#)
- [SIP Demonstration Appendices 1-4](#)
- [SIP Demonstration Appendix 5](#)
- [SIP Demonstration Appendices 6-9](#)
- [SIP Demonstration Appendix 10](#)
- [SIP Demonstration Appendix 11](#)
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- [SIP Demonstration Appendices 13-14](#)

## Background

A [State Implementation Plan \(SIP\)](#) is a general cleanup plan for air. It describes how Washington carries out, maintains, and enforces national air quality standards.

The State Implementation Plan explains how Washington will lower air pollution from sources like transportation, wood smoke, and industry. Sections of the plan are customized to meet regional air quality needs.

### Comment online

- Use our [online comment form](#) 

### Comment by mail

Laurie Hulse-Moyer  
Washington Department of Ecology  
Air Quality Program  
P.O. Box 47600  
Olympia, WA 98504-7600

### Attend a related event

- [June 28, 2022, 6:30 p.m. — DNR's Smoke Management Plan Update, online webinar](#)

### Questions

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Environmental Planner  
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## Translated content

- + Período de comentarios públicos (Español/Spanish)

# Infrastructure, rule, & program plans



## Período de comentarios públicos (Español/Spanish)

### Solicitando Comentarios del Público – Actualización del Plan de Manejo de Humo del DNR Plan Estatal de Implementación (SIP; por sus siglas en inglés)

Ecología propone aprobar la revisión del Plan de Manejo de Humo Estatal (SMP; por sus siglas en inglés) del Departamento de Recursos Naturales (DNR; por sus siglas en inglés) y presentarlo a la EPA para su aprobación. El SMP de 2022 reemplazaría la versión de 1998 en el plan de calidad de aire o SIP del estado. El SMP cubre la quema silvícola (tierras forestales) bajo la autoridad del DNR.

El Plan del DNR:

- Permite la quema en el bosque durante los fines de semana en el verano.
- Cambia el tiempo que DNR tiene para decidir si quema hasta el día antes de que ocurra la quema.
- Alinea la autoridad del DNR con la ley estatal para negar la quema de bosques si la contaminación del aire será más de lo permitido por las normas federales de la calidad del aire.
- Permite la quema, con precauciones adicionales, en tierras boscosas bajo la jurisdicción de DNR en Áreas de Crecimiento Urbano.

**Segundo periodo de comentarios públicos:** 25 de mayo de 2022 – 30 de junio de 2022

- [Enviar comentarios o solicitar una audiencia pública](#)

- Envíe sus comentarios por correo a:  
Laurie Hulse-Moyer  
Washington Department of Ecology  
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P.O. Box 47600  
Olympia, WA 98504-7600

**Audiencia pública:** martes, 28 de junio 2022, 6:30 p.m. [en línea](#) (enlace de registro)  
Número de llamada: 253-215-8782

Para solicitar acomodación ADA, comuníquese con Ecología por teléfono al 360-522-6610 o por correo electrónico a [laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov). Para Servicio de Retransmisión de Washington o TTY llame al 711 o 877-833-6341.

Para obtener más información, llame a Laurie Hulse-Moyer al 360-522-6610 y solicite un intérprete.

# Web postings, Ecology and DNR

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### Infrastructure, rule, & program plans

**Período de comentarios públicos (Español/Spanish)**

We submit plans as well as state and local rules to EPA that show Washington has tools in place to meet national air quality standards. Once approved by EPA, these plans for infrastructure, rules, and programs become part of Washington's State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality. Plans and rules in Washington's State Implementation Plan are enforceable by EPA and the public.

**I want to...**

- Learn about the regional haze state implementation plan
- Find out about Washington's air quality targets
- Sign up for email updates about current projects

### Public comment


We propose revisions to Washington's State Implementation Plan for air quality. These revisions show Washington's ability to attain, maintain, enforce, and implement federal air quality standards through infrastructure requirements and updated rules.

Open public comment	Closed public comment
<b>SIP document</b> Ecology proposes to send EPA the revised air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP) to include Washington Department of Natural Resources' (DNR's) updated Smoke Management Plan. DNR's updated Smoke Management Plan for forest (silvicultural) burning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Allows forest burning on summer weekends.</li><li>Changes the time for DNR to decide whether to allow burning to the day before the burning will occur.</li><li>Requires DNR to deny forest burning if air pollution will be more than allowed by federal air quality standards.</li><li>Allows burning on forestland under DNR jurisdiction in <a href="#">urban growth areas</a>, with additional precautions.</li></ul> <b>Documents for review:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Draft SIP Revision: Including Washington Department of Natural Resource's Smoke Management Plan</a></li><li><a href="#">DNR's Smoke Management Plan</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendices 1-4</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendix 5</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendices 6-9</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendix 10</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendix 11</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendix 12</a></li><li><a href="#">SIP Demonstration Appendices 13-14</a></li></ul>	<b>Comment or request a public hearing</b> <b>Public comment period:</b> May 25, 2022 – June 30, 2022 <b>Public hearing:</b> June 28, 2022, 6:30 p.m. <a href="#">online</a> Register to get your meeting ID and passcode. <a href="#">Comment online</a> Mail comments to: Laurie Hulse-Moyer, Air Quality Program Washington State Department of Ecology P.O. Box 47600; Olympia, WA 98504-7600

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Spanish:

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## Outdoor Burning



**Before lighting fire, please check for any local burn restrictions.**

To reduce the occurrence of human-caused wildfires, the Department of Natural Resources regulates outdoor burning through the use of [burn restrictions](#) and [burn permits](#). DNR's jurisdiction includes all forestlands where DNR provides wildfire protection - 13 million acres of undeveloped non-federal forestland across the state. Your forested property is within [DNR protection](#) if you pay a forest fire protection assessment as part of your property tax. If you are unsure, check your county property tax statement or contact your local [DNR region office](#).

Washington State Department of Ecology is seeking **public comment from May 25 through June 30** on including DNR's 2022 Smoke Management Plan (SMP) in the state's air quality plan. The updated SMP will replace the existing 1998 version. Visit [Ecology's website](#) for details on the hearing and access to the documents.

DNR's [smoke management plan](#) has been in effect since 1998. An updated version is being reviewed by the Department of Ecology and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and we are aiming to have this fully adopted by spring 2023. This revised plan makes three significant changes:

- Smoke management decisions for large burns can be made in the afternoon prior to planned ignitions.
- The prohibition on weekend burning during the summer months is removed.
- Smoke intrusions are more clearly defined and less subjective.

### CONTACT

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## Email to project specific contact lists, May 25, 2022

1. Washington State Representatives (93)
2. Washington State Senators (48)
3. Associations from Washington Associations by subject (82)
4. WA State Association of Counties (WSAC) and Cities (142)
5. DNR SMP SIP comment period (includes George Giesler, Chuck Turley, etc. )(11)
6. EPA staff (4)
7. Government, agencies, etc. listing (36) includes Oregon, Idaho
8. Local clean air agency Directors: (7)
9. Forestry groups (8)
10. Ecology staff (9)
11. Ecology Rules & Planning Unit (6)
12. ECY DL AG Burn Team (6)
13. Tribal Chairs (33)
14. Tribal lobbyists (21)

Total ~ 513 email addresses



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## Greetings,

You are receiving this message because you expressed interest in the Washington State Implementation Plan (SIP), or because we thought you might be interested in Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) 2022 Smoke Management Plan (SMP).

The DNR has updated their SMP for forestland burning; Ecology is responsible for the state's air quality plan or SIP. This public comment period is on whether Ecology should submit the updated 2022 SMP to EPA to replace the 1998 SMP in the SIP. Ecology proposes to send the updated SMP to EPA after we receive and respond to comments.

DNR's Smoke Management Plan outlines the procedures and provisions to protect Washington communities from the impacts of smoke from burning on forestland, known as silvicultural burning.

### [Read the SIP documents](#)

The Ecology SIP publication, Demonstration, and the 2022 SMP are on Ecology's [website](#). The Demonstration that accompanies the SMP shows how air quality and visibility will continue to be protected with the changes DNR has made.

### [Public hearing](#)

We will hold a public hearing online at 6:30 p.m. Tue., June 28, 2022.

[Register online for the Zoom hearing.](#)

### [Public comment period open](#)

Ecology invites public comments from May 25 to June 30, 2022.

Comments can be submitted one of three ways:

- [Online](#)
- **By Mail:**  
Laurie Hulse-Moyer  
Air Quality Program  
Washington State Department of Ecology  
P. O. Box 47800  
Olympia, WA 98504-7800
- **At the online public hearing:**  
6:30 p.m. Tue., June 28, 2022  
[Register online for the virtual Zoom hearing.](#)

For more info, visit Ecology's [website](#) or contact Laurie Hulse-Moyer with questions.

**Laurie Hulse-Moyer**  
Air Quality Planner  
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360-522-8610

## GovDelivery message

Sent to 4 Ecology emails lists: (sent to 1,989 recipients)

- Agricultural Burning and Research Task Force, 194 subscribers
- Air quality health burn ban, 751 subscribers
- Air Quality Rule and State Implementation Plan (SIP) updates, 609 subscribers
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Thu 5/26/2022 9:03 AM

Washington Department of Ecology <waecy@public.govdelivery.com>

Courtesy Copy: Public Comment Period and Hearing for Department of Natural Resources' Smoke Management Plan State Implementation Plan Submittal

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Thu 5/26/2022 9:03 AM



Washington Department of Ecology <waecy@public.govdelivery.com>

Public Comment Period and Hearing for Department of Natural Resources' Smoke Management Plan State Implementation Plan Submittal

To: ■ Hulse-Moyer, Laurie (ECY)

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Ecology is seeking comments on whether the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) 2022 Smoke Management Plan should replace the 1998 version in Washington's air quality plan.

## Public comment period and hearing

**Public Comment: May 25, 2022 through June 30, 2022**

**Public hearing: June 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm**

The Department of Ecology is responsible for the state's air quality plan. This state implementation plan (SIP) includes rules, plans and programs to protect air quality. The SIP includes the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Smoke Management Plan (SMP) from 1998. DNR recently updated this plan.

**Ecology is inviting comment on whether the updated 2022 Smoke Management Plan should replace the 1998 version in the SIP.**

DNR is responsible for forestland (silvicultural) burning across the state. DNR's updated Smoke Management Plan includes burn approval procedures, practices and techniques to minimize smoke impacts, and an action level to maintain fine particulate matter concentrations below the federal health-based standards.

The four main changes from the 1998 plan are:

1. Aligning DNR's authority with language in state law ([RCW 70A.15.5140](#)), to deny forest burning if air pollution levels will exceed federal air quality standards.
2. Removing the prohibition against summer weekend burning.
3. Notifying burners of permission to ignite their units by 4:30 p.m. the day prior to ignition.
4. Allowing burning inside Urban Growth Areas on forest land under DNR fire protection, with additional precautions.

Additionally, the new Smoke Management Plan includes a *Complaint Tracking* section to help burners, the public, and regulators respond to and resolve any smoke-related complaints.

DNR will begin operating under the new SMP, if EPA agrees that the plan continues to offer air quality protections similar to, or better than, the ones provided by the 1998 plan.

The DNR SMP and supporting documents that demonstrate it meets federal Clean Air Act requirements are now available for public review and comment.

Comment period starts: May 25, 2022    Comment period ends: June 30, 2022

[Review documents](#)

The hearing will be held virtually on June 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

[Register for hearing](#)

**Laurie Hulse-Moyer**

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## Public Comment Form

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Commenting open: **May 25, 2022 12:00AM PT - June 30, 2022 11:59PM PT.**

### Dept. of Natural Resources' (DNR) SIP Revision

**Public comment period**  
Ecology is holding a public comment period on whether we should include DNR's 2022 Silvicultural Smoke Management Plan in Washington's State Implementation Plan. Ecology proposes to send EPA the revised State Implementation Plan that:

- Removes DNR's [1998 Smoke Management Plan](#).
- Adds DNR's 2022 Silvicultural Smoke Management Plan.

**DNR's 2022 Silvicultural Smoke Management Plan**  
DNR's Silvicultural Smoke Management Plan regulates burning on forest land, known as silvicultural burning.

DNR's updated plan:

- Allows forest burning on summer weekends and in urban growth areas.
- Changes the time to decide whether burning will be allowed to the day before burning will occur.
- Aligns DNR's authority with RCW 70A.15.5140 to deny forest burning if air pollution will be more than allowed by federal air quality standards.

**Send us comments**  
Comment on Ecology's proposal to include DNR's Silvicultural Smoke Management Plan in Washington's State Implementation Plan.

**Next steps**  
After the public comment period ends, we will:

- Review and respond to comments.
- Submit DNR's final plan to EPA.
- Update those who provide contact information.

**Contact information**  
Provide your contact information if you want to receive updates about this.

### Contact Information

All fields are optional unless otherwise indicated.

## Legal Notices

English: Daily Journal of Commerce, TriCity Herald, Yakima Herald,

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Public comment period for Washington Smoke Management Plan (SMP) State Implementation Plan revision

Ecology proposes to submit to EPA a revision for Washington's air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP). The proposed SIP revision would replace the previous Department of Natural Resources (DNR) SMP with the updated version. The SMP applies statewide to silvicultural burning under DNR's jurisdiction.

Public comment period: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 to June 30, 2022. See the documents at

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•By mail: Laurie Hulse-Moyer  
PO Box 47600

Olympia, WA 98504-7600

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Período de comentarios públicos para la revisión del Plan de Implementación Estatal del Plan de Manejo de Humo de Washington (SMP por sus siglas en inglés)

Ecología propone presentar a la EPA una revisión del Plan de Implementación Estatal de Calidad del Aire (SIP, por sus siglas en inglés) de Washington. La revisión propuesta del SIP reemplazaría el anterior SMP del Departamento de Recursos Naturales (DNR) con la versión actualizada. El SMP se aplica a la quema de silvicultura bajo la jurisdicción del DNR a nivel estatal.

Período de comentario público: 25 mayo 2022 a 30 junio 2022. Revise los documentos en [www.ecology.wa.gov/DNR-SMP](http://www.ecology.wa.gov/DNR-SMP) y proporcione comentarios:

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(30504) May 27, 2022

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(30502) May 25, 2022

## **Newspaper Ads**

English: <sup>1</sup>

**Methow Valley News, 5/25, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15**

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<sup>11</sup> <Ecology planned to place display ads in both English and Spanish in the bilingual newspaper, Tu Decides. They were not placed due to a clerical error>

### NAKED EYE

## A closer look at the sun (but not too close)

This year the summer solstice happens on June 21. If you were standing on the Arctic Circle with a clear view to the north, you would see the sun just touch the northern horizon at midnight. Farther north, the sun would not set at all.

Here in the Northwest, the solstice brings us our longest day and shortest night of the year. It also marks the northern most point in the sky our sun reaches in the northern hemisphere.

So what is our sun exactly? How did it come to be? Will it always be there for us? Our sun, like most stars, is a gigantic thermonuclear explosion. It has been happening for billions of years and will continue for more billions of years. Deep in the core of our sun where pressures are extreme and temperatures reach millions of degrees, hydrogen atoms are being crammed together into helium atoms. This process releases photons, which create almost all the light we see by here on Earth.

Interestingly, after a photon is born in the core of the sun, it takes tens of thousands of years to reach the surface because it bounces around in there so much. Once clear of the sun, that photon zooms to the earth at 186,282 miles per second in 8 minutes. Our sun produces and emits the

equivalent energy of 6 trillion Hiroshima-sized atomic bombs every second. Wow! That's a lot of energy!

Why are we not blasted off the surface of our little planet by all those atomic bombs? Luckily, we reside a comfortable 93 million miles away.

Billions of years ago before our sun was even a twinkle in the Milky Way's eye, a large dark cloud of hydrogen gas was drifting through our galaxy just minding its own business. Suddenly, not too far away a star exploded. Shock waves rippled through that cloud causing it to collapse and compress in places. When a gas compresses it heats up, and when the temperature reaches millions of degrees, nuclear fusion starts. A star is born.

Astronomers think this is more or less how our sun came to be. They also believe that we once had a few hundred siblings with us to boot. Huge gravitational forces of the Milky Way galaxy have ripped our sun apart from its brothers and sisters, and we now travel alone through the cosmos.

**Face-out coming**  
Our sun always grows old, and stars are no exception. Our sun is slowly and inexorably advancing towards the red giant phase

of its life, which will spell doom for all things living on earth. Our sun is a balance between the explosive outward pressure of nuclear fusion and the crushing inward force of gravity.

As the sun runs out of gas, hydrogen gas, that balance is upset. The sun will get bigger and hotter. Scientists give it about another 800 million years until things get critical. At that point the oceans will be boiling away, leaving our planet with an atmosphere of oppressive, hot steam and making it impossible for us or much of anything else to live here.

If anything is left of humanity at that point, they will have to move. One of Jupiter's moons would be a good choice, but even there it will be only a temporary respite as things get worse and worse for our sun.

Eight-hundred million years sounds like a very long time, but remember that life has been evolving here on earth for three and a half billion years. The Earth has only one shot at creating advanced life here, and this is it. There is simply not enough time for a second chance.

The planets are all in a line in the east before dawn. Jupiter and Venus are the two bright ones, but Mars and Saturn are there too. Never look at the sun through a telescope, binoculars or the unaided eye. Not even dark glasses. Severe eye damage could occur. The sun is just too bright.

Do not worry too much about all the doom and gloom happening to our sun. Your social security will run out long before you have to start breathing steam.



David Ward

## 911 blotter

### Okanogan County Sheriff's Office

- At 1:52 a.m. on May 14, a possible assault was reported at a location near Bear Creek Road and Pearynig Lake State Park, caller heard sounds of a verbal and physical fight nearby.
- At 8:12 a.m. on May 15, a non-injury accident involving a collision with a deer was reported on Highway 153 near Pateros.
- At 1:23 p.m. on May 18, caller reported that dogs had come up on their patio and had taken a chicken.
- At 6:31 a.m. on May 19, caller reported six stray cows in their yard.
- At 9:13 a.m. on May 19, a non-injury accident involving a collision with a deer was reported on Highway 20 near Twisp.
- At 2:28 a.m. on May 22, caller on Chase Road, Winthrop, reported someone entered their residence and ran out when the caller awoke.
- At 8:42 p.m. on May 22, an unattended fire was reported on Twisp River Road.

### Twisp Police Department

- At 6:06 a.m. on May 13, a trespassing incident was reported at a location on East Methow Valley Highway.
- At 5:41 p.m. on May 13, a bull was reported in the roadway on Highway 20, headed toward

- Winthrop.
- At 6:45 p.m. on May 14, a noise complaint regarding loud music was reported on Magers Street.
- At 7:13 a.m. on May 19, a non-injury accident was reported on Riverside Avenue, Winthrop.
- At 3:24 p.m. on May 19, caller reported animal noises on Canyon Street.
- At 10:35 p.m. on May 20, a noise complaint came from a caller on East Second Avenue.
- At 5:11 p.m. on May 21, suspicious activity was reported at Twisp Park.
- At 7:09 p.m., caller reported a child riding a dirt bike in the area of May and Marie streets.
- At 12:02 p.m. on May 22, caller on East Second Avenue reported that an element in their oven was on fire.
- At 6:36 p.m. on May 22, suspicious activity was reported on Meadows Road, Carlton.

### Winthrop Marshal's Office

- At 8:52 p.m. on May 10, a severely intoxicated person was reported seen on Riverside Avenue.
- At 7:33 p.m. on May 14, a citizen who was locked out of their car on Riverside Avenue requested assistance.
- At 9:16 p.m. on May 14, suspicious activity was reported on White Avenue.
- At 2:55 p.m., a couple reported from Wolf Creek Road that they were locked out of their trailer.

## Visitor information

### Help when you need it

#### INFORMATION CENTERS

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PARDNERS MINI MARKET: 900 Highway 20, Winthrop; 996-2005; until midnight every day; 24-hour fueling  
Twisp Chevron: 126 N. Methow Valley Highway; 997-3181; until 10 p.m. weekdays and Sunday, 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; 24-hour fueling

#### AIRPORTS

Twisp Municipal Airport: 40 Wagner Road, Twisp; 997-2311  
Methow Valley State Airport: Twisp-Winthrop

Eastside Road; (360) 618-2477

#### NEED A TOW?

CLASSIC TOWING, TWISP: 997-2333

#### POST OFFICES

CARLTON: 997-6091; 2274 Highway 153  
Methow: (509) 923-2759; 34 Main St.  
Twisp: 997-3177; 205 Glover St.

#### METHOW MOTION SHUTTLE SERVICES

1110 Highway 20  
reservations@methowmotion20.com

#### PET PROBLEMS?

METHOW VALLEY VETERINARY HOSPITAL: 910 Highway 20, Winthrop; 996-3231; www.methowvalleyvethospital.com  
VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC: 20335 Highway 20, Twisp; 997-8452; www.valleyvetclinicwinthrop.com  
WINTHROP VETERINARY CLINIC: 523 Highway 20, Winthrop; 996-2793; www.winthropvetclinic.com

#### NEED TO CHARGE YOUR ELECTRIC VEHICLE?

Twisp: (509) 422-3800  
Twispworks: 502 S. Okanogan County Fire District 6; 997-3300; twispworks.org  
PINE NEAR RV PARK: 316 Castle Ave., Winthrop; (509) 341-4052; www.pinearear-park.com

#### INNT AT MAZAMA: 15

Country Road, Mazama; 996-2681; www.inntmazama.com  
SUN MOUNTAIN LODGE, Winthrop: 996-2211; www.

summountainlodge.com

Twisp River Suites: 140 W. Twisp Ave., Twisp; 997-0100; www.twisp-riversuites.com

EAST 20 PIZZA: 720 Highway 20, Winthrop; 996-3996; www.east20pizza.com

ABBYCREEK INN: 1006 Highway 20, Winthrop; 996-3100; www.abbycreekinn.com

#### CAB & SHUTTLE

METHOW MOTION SHUTTLE SERVICES: 996-2894; www.methowmotion20.com  
Twisp: 997-0336; www.hwy20washworks.com

#### RECREATION INFORMATION

U.S. FOREST SERVICE: 996-4000; 24 W. Chewuch Rd., Winthrop  
METHOW TRAILS: 996-2390; 21 Hotchkiss Pl., Road, Winthrop; www.methowtrails.com

#### WINTHROP RINK: 996-4199; www.winthroprink.com

PEARYNIG LAKE STATE PARK, Winthrop: 996-2370; www.parks.wa.gov/563/Pearynig-Lake

#### CASCADE LOOP SCENIC HIGHWAY: www.cascade-loop.com

NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK: Newhalem visitor center, (206) 386-4495 ext.11; www.nps.gov/noca/index.htm  
WASHINGTON DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE: (360) 902-2200; www.wdfw.wa.gov  
LOUP LOUP SKI BOWL: https://skitheloup.com; (509) 557-3401

#### LIBRARIES

Twisp: 997-4681; 201 Methow Valley Highway (Methow Valley Community Center); www.ncwlibraries.org

org/locations/twisp-public-library; wireless hot spot  
Winthrop: 996-2685; 49 Highway 20 (joining to White Avenue this summer); www.ncwlibraries.org/locations/winthrop-public-library; wireless hot spot

#### NEED TO CLEAN UP?

LAUNDROMAT, SHOWERS AND FREE WI-FI AT WASHWORKS: 996-2894; Highway 20, Twisp; 997-0336; www.hwy20washworks.com

#### CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

Twisp: 997-2020; https://twispwa.com  
Winthrop: 996-2125; www.winthropwashington.com

#### OKMAK: (509) 926-1880 or (800) 225-6625; www.okmak-chamber.com

#### OKANOGAN: (509) 422-4034; www.okanogachamber.com

#### BREWSTER: (509) 689-3464; www.brewsterchamber.org

#### PATEROS: (509) 923-9636; www.pateros.com

#### RECYCLING

METHOW RECYCLES: 997-0520; 12 Twisp Airport Road; www.methowrecycles.org

#### GOVERNMENT

CITY OF PATEROS: (509) 923-2571; www.pateros.com  
TOWN OF TWISP: 997-4081; www.townoftwisp.com  
TOWN OF WINTHROP: 996-2320, 206 Riverside Ave.,

www.townofwinthrop.com

#### HEALTH CARE

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL, BREWSTER: (509) 689-2086; www.threerivershospital.net

#### MID-VALLEY HOSPITAL, OKAMA: (509) 826-1760; www.mvhealth.org

#### CONFLUENCE HEALTH METHOW VALLEY CLINIC, Winthrop: 996-8180

FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS MEDICAL CLINIC, Twisp: 997-2011  
BREWSTER CLINIC: (509) 826-1800

#### SAINTGOSH DENTAL CARE, Twisp: 997-7533

#### ULRICH'S PHARMACY, Twisp: 997-2191

#### HIGHWAY INFORMATION

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: Dial 511 for pass and road information; www.wsdot.wa.gov

#### INFORMATION & MEDIA

METHOW VALLEY NEWS: 997-7011; 502 S. Glover St., Twisp; www.methowvalleynews.com; frontdesk@methowvalleynews.com  
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**SEEKING PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ecology is seeking comments about including Department of Natural Resources' 2022 Smoke Management Plan for forests in Washington's statewide air quality plan. The statewide plan maintains air quality and protects public health.

Visit [www.ecology.wa.gov/DNR-SMP](http://www.ecology.wa.gov/DNR-SMP) to:

- Read about the Smoke Management Plan.
- Find out how to comment or attend a public hearing.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

HIGHER FEES AT SOME REC SITES

Fee changes go into effect this season for many U.S. Forest Service recreation sites in central Washington. After extensive public outreach and consultation, the forest received approval from Regional Forester Glenn Casassa to implement fee increases and establish new fees at certain recreation sites. Visitors will start seeing the increased fees at recreation sites open for Memorial Day weekend and the summer recreation season. The Northwest Forest Pass, Interagency Annual Pass and other passes normally accepted at day use sites will be accepted at new day use fee sites and continues to be accepted at previously established day use fee sites.

RUN FOR CLEAN AIR AT THE LOUP

The Loup Loop Run for Clean Air, a fundraiser for Clean Air Methow, will be staged at the Loup Loop Ski Bowl on Saturday (June 4), starting at 8 a.m. Here's how it works: Run as many laps at the Loup as you can as a team or individually for one hour or six hours. The route goes up a narrow, moderately-steep climb up a forested slope before topping out at the summit of the Loup, nearly 1,300 feet higher. Grab a snack, and head back down to tag your teammate, or repeat.

Proceeds go to Clean Air Methow, to help their efforts to improve air quality in the Methow and greater Okanogan County. Participants are encouraged to gather pledges for each lap completed up the mountain. The entrant raising the most money for CAM will receive a Green/Gentian HEPA air purifier. Awards will be given for top finishers in each category and duration. All racers will be entered into a raffle for equipment from sponsors.

Entry fees: one hour, \$45 until June 2; six-hour individual, \$75 until June 2; six-hour team/relay, \$65 until June 2.

For more information, email [allison@casassaendurance.com](mailto:allison@casassaendurance.com) or visit [www.casassaendurance.com/loup-loop-run-for-clean-air](http://www.casassaendurance.com/loup-loop-run-for-clean-air).

SCHOLASTIC CUP UPDATE

As of last week, Liberty Bell stands in 3rd place in the 2021-22 WIAA Scholastic Cup standings with an 850 point total. Assotin leads with 925 points and St. George's is 2nd, just 5 points ahead of the Mountain Lions with 855. The Scholastic Cup is determined by a combination of criteria including competition on the field of play, academics and sportsmanship recognition for an entire academic year.

With an academic state championship in girls' soccer, state championship in boys' country and academic recognition in all five fall sports, Liberty Bell jumped out on an early lead at the end of the fall season. If the current standings hold, this will be the first top-three finish for the local school to go along with three previous top-five placements. There

will be some points accumulated from the past weekend of state meet. Results should be finalized later this week.

SCHOLAR ATHLETES

The following Mountain Lion seniors were awarded their Scholar Athlete certificates for 2022 last week: Kieren Quigley, Eli Neitlich, Payten Kaufman, Stella Gitchos, Amelia Bondi, Wyatt Albright, Chloe Sprauer, Sophia Newton, Masie Shaw, Elle Wadsten, Joni Gratiano, Ayanna Kuprecht, Jess Diabham, Mariah Lacy, Jady Mitchell, Grey Patterson, Noah Holston, Hazel Culpomath and Elanna Doran.

SUMMER AT THE LOUP

Loup Ski Bowl offers the following summer activities:

- Chairlift rides for top-of-the-mountain hiking, sightseeing, picnicking and disc golf
- An 18-hole alpine disc golf course — 9-holes at the top of the chairlift, and 9-holes at the base area.
- Bike rentals for the whole family.
- Access to miles of gravel roads, ranging from shorter family-friendly routes to challenging all-day or even multi-day bike-packing adventures.
- Hosted gravel rides with sag wagons, lunch and return shuttle rides.
- Camping, including RV and tent camping.
- Food by Saskatoon Kitchens in the day lodge.

RINK SUMMER ACTIVITIES

The Winthrop Rink is open for summer operations. Programs include:

- Pickleball, Mondays and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday 9-11 a.m., through September. \$4 admission, punch cards and season passes available. Paddles, balls, nets free. Try pickleball free the first Monday of the month.
- Roller inline skating, Fridays and Saturdays 6-9 p.m. in June, July, August. \$6 adults, \$4 youth (6-17)/seniors, 5 and under free. Skate rentals \$2. Helmets, knee/wrist/elbow pads free. Season passes available.
- Roller inline hockey, Wednesdays 6-8 p.m. in June, July, August. \$6 adults, \$4 youth (6-17)/seniors, 5 and under free. Skate rentals \$2. Helmets, knee/wrist/elbow pads free. Season passes available.
- Adult roller ice (for ages 15 and older) will be offered on Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m., \$4 admission, \$2 skate rental, \$60 seasonal pass.
- Rentals — the skating facility or, separately, the upstairs viewing room are available for rent, by the hour or by the day.

Visit [www.winthropink.org](http://www.winthropink.org), email [shonda@winthropink.org](mailto:shonda@winthropink.org) or call (509) 996-4199 for additional information.

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Liberty Bell Fun Run harvests 100lbs for COVE food bank

BY RICK LEWIS

Sophomore cross country and track and field runner Aksel Thomson recently collected over 100 pounds of food for the Methow Valley Food Bank through a fun run at Liberty Bell High School held on May 21. Thomson organized and executed the Fun Run as a school requirement to accomplish a special project during his sophomore year.

Thirty-two participants, ranging in ages from 8 to 72 years old, braved threatening weather to run or walk the 3.1 mile (5 kilometer) course, used in the fall for the annual Liberty Bell Invitational Cross Country Meet. Indeed, the rain held off for most of the event, but enveloped the course and campus in a steady,

enthusiastic spring shower before the final walkers crossed the finish line.

Liberty Bell teacher and junior high cross country coach Liam Daily took the top spot, running away from Mountain Lion eighth-grader Bodie Thomson with about a half mile to go.

Aksel Thomson just likes to run and thought combining the Fun Run with an entry fee of a donation of food would be a good project. "I'm hoping that it will become an annual event," Thomson said. "Mr. Wilbur [Activities Director Michael Wilbur] liked the idea and said he would like it to happen again, like every year."

Glenn Schmechel, executive director of The COVE, the nonprofit overseer of the Methow

Valley Food Bank, was highly appreciative of Thomson's efforts.

"He called here a month ago and asked if he could use the Food Bank as the beneficiary of the event, and I was, well, good with that," said Schmechel. "I always appreciate when we are able to connect with the kids at the schools for stuff like this. It helps them and blesses us so much."

It was a family event for Thomson, with parents Jack and Josh and younger brother Caleb helping with set up and other tasks, sister Bailey at the check-in station and Bodie handling the post-race awards and prizes. Track and field coach Erik Brooks, besides running in the event, also provided the faculty mentorship for the project.

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# Methow Valley Class of 2022

## Liberty Bell High School, Independent Learning Center, home school programs

Wyatt Albright: Whitman College  
 Kacie Aradt: teaching dance  
 Amelia Bondi: University of New Hampshire  
 Celia Bristol: work force  
 Elizabeth Clark: Montana State University  
 Desall Cool: Western Washington University  
 Caitlyn Cooley: Central Washington University  
 Hazel CulpSmith: Western Washington University  
 Timothy Darwood: Wenatchee Valley College  
 Per Dillingham: Grays Harbor Community College  
 Jessica Dinham: Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising  
 Elanna Doran: gap year, working at Twisp Feed  
 Sophie Eberline: gap year  
 Autumn Edwards: Ashworth College  
 Alexander Eslava: Western Washington University  
 Jordan Giesen: work force  
 Stella Gitcho: University of Vermont  
 Gale Gonzalez: Western Washington University  
 Jordan Grialson: Bowdoin College  
 Zake Grubb: teaching in Nepal and pursuing culinary arts  
 Noah Holston: Cabrillo College  
 Payten Kaufman: McGill University  
 David Kominek: Northwest HVAC-R Training Center, Spokane  
 McKenna Kurtz: gap year  
 Seth Kurtz: gap year  
 Brian Lopez-Veloso: Western Washington University  
 Maria-May Lucy: Montana State University, Honors College  
 Jake McKenna: work force  
 Jady Mitchell: Washington State University  
 Elias Neitlich: Montana State University, Honors College  
 Sophia Newton: Oregon State University  
 Alexander Nicolazzo: Gonzaga University  
 Chad Oestreich: work force  
 Wyatt Osterhof: work force  
 Gale Pacheco Gonzalez: Wenatchee Valley College  
 Grey Patterson: Montana State University  
 Dominik Priest: work force  
 Kieren Quigley: Whitman College  
 Kierra Reichert: University of Nevada Reno, Honors College  
 Emalie Ricco: apprenticeship with Room One  
 Jolya Risigan: gap year, then MSU  
 Ayeanna Ruprecht: gap year, then MSU  
 Kelly Schuh: Colorado State University  
 Masie Shaw: Western Washington University, Faithaven College  
 Anja Sorensen: entering the trade  
 Chloe Sprauer: au pair in New Zealand  
 Ever Stephens: gap year  
 Zane Strome: Western Washington University  
 Robert Suter: gap year  
 Shaee Taylor: Western Wash-

ington University  
 Dylan Taylor: work force  
 Elke Watken: McGill University  
 Cody White: work force  
 Levi White: The Tech Academy  
 Sam Wuttika: Texas Horse-shoing School  
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**GLOVER STREET MARKET:**  
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**LEADERSHIP 1000:**  
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## Twisp, NCW Libraries launch summer programs

The Twisp Library has a full schedule of summer programs about to begin. Here's the lineup:  
 • Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (June 21-Aug. 23), Craft/Ka Construction  
 • Wednesdays, all day (June 15-Aug. 24), STEM Discovery Day  
 • Thursdays, all day (June 16-Aug. 18), Board Game Bonanza, bring a friend and play  
 • Thursdays at noon (June 23-Aug. 18), Reading in the Park at the Twisp Park with the Methow Valley School District free lunch program. For kids of all ages.  
 • Fridays at 11 a.m. (starting June 3 and continuing indefinitely), Storytime—reading, songs and movement for preschoolers.  
 • Saturdays at noon (June 18-Aug. 27), Craftday—kids 10 and older do a new craft project each week.  
 For information, visit <https://www.ncwlibraries.org/locations/twisp-public-library>, call 997-4681 or email [twisp@ncwlibraries.org](mailto:twisp@ncwlibraries.org). Additionally, NCW Libraries kicks off its summer programs starting June 13 with free activities for all ages at its 30 branches. For the full array of activities, visit <http://ncwlibraries.org>. NCW Libraries will also offer three summer programs — two virtual and one in person — available across the entire library district:  
 • "Magic Tricks and Secrets:" Professional magician Jeff Evans will host a free virtual magic course at 2 p.m. on June 29. Register at <http://ncwlibraries.org> by June 20 and receive a free magic kit while supplies last.  
 • "How to Draw Animals with Erik Brooks:" Join Methow Valley author and illustrator Erik Brooks for a one-hour virtual workshop to learn how to draw animals at 2 p.m. on July 13. Register at <http://ncwlibraries.org> by July 1 to receive a free drawing kit while supplies last.  
 • "Science Beyond the Beaten Path." Library staff will visit every library location during the summer for live, in-person science demonstrations. Check out the online calendar to find an event in your community.

## Public hearing set on Twisp's overnight rental moratorium

As required, the Twisp Town Council will hold a public hearing next Tuesday (June 14) on its recent action imposing a six-month moratorium on conversions of existing residential housing to overnight rentals, including properties in commercial zones, while the town considers its long-term policy options for such accommodations.  
 The hearing will be at 5:30 p.m. The council meetings are accessible remotely via the Goto Meeting platform, or by phone. For information about how to participate, visit [www.townoftwisp.com/index.php/announcement](http://www.townoftwisp.com/index.php/announcement). To submit a comment in advance, contact Town Clerk Randy Kimer at (509) 997-4681.  
 The council took the moratorium action unanimously at its April 26 meeting, and the ordinance imposing the ban took effect immediately. The ordinance requires that the council hold a public hearing on the moratorium within 60 days.  
 The moratorium does not affect hotels, motels or existing overnight rentals including B&Bs.

## Wolf Advisory Committee applications extended


The application deadline to apply for membership on the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Wolf Advisory Group (WAG) has been extended to June 13.  
 WDFW is seeking candidates to serve a two-year appointment on the WAG, a citizens committee that advises WDFW's director on wolf conservation and management. The group has 18 members representing the interests of environmentalists, hunters, livestock producers and other stakeholders.  
 There are currently four vacancies on the WAG. Online applications are available on the WDFW WAG page. People who are unable to submit an online application may submit a written application by visiting the WAG page and downloading the form or requesting a printed application form by emailing [wagapplications@rosstrategic.com](mailto:wagapplications@rosstrategic.com). Requests for the form can also be mailed to WDFW, P.O. Box 45300, Olympia, WA 98544-3200.  
 While postal mail applications will be accepted, email/online responses are requested. All applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. June 13.

## LEGALS

From Page B3  
 the public hearing that was scheduled for the above matter has been rescheduled due to an amendment to the application. Stefan Hammer, on behalf of Mark and Mary Hronczewski, submitted an application for a Shoreline Variance to reduce building setbacks and vegetation conservation areas in the Natural Shoreline Jurisdiction in order to construct a residence with a 1,914 square foot footprint. Parcel 614023001 is a 9.8 acres in the Rural Residential zone and is considered a legal non-conforming lot. The entirety of the parcel is within Natural Shoreline Jurisdiction. The amendment includes a variance from the lot coverage restriction of 5% in the Natural Jurisdiction. The Variance, if granted, would allow a reduction of the building setback from 175 feet to 50 feet from the Ordinary High-Water Mark and a vegetation conservation area of 25 feet and allow the applicants to have a lot coverage of 10.33% including all impervious surfaces.  
 The property is located at 18 Mazama Pine Lane in Mazama, WA. Parcel number 614023001 located in Section 25, Township 36, Range 12, Willamette Meridian. Variance applications are

categorically exempt from the State Environmental Policy Act in accordance with WAC 197-11-800(6) (i). The public hearing is scheduled June 23, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's hearing room located on the first floor of the Granger Administration Building at 123 Fifth Ave. North, Okanogan, Washington, at which time the Hearings Examiner will hear verbal testimony on the issue. Written comments may be submitted to the hearing. Written comments will be accepted prior to the hearing and may be submitted in writing or electronically to [rob@okanogan.wa.us](mailto:rob@okanogan.wa.us) or mailed or delivered to 123 5th Ave N. Suite 150, Okanogan WA 98840. Information regarding this project can be obtained from Okanogan County Office of Planning and Development, Rocky Robbins, Planner II. A Zoom meeting has also been set for this hearing. Members of the public may join using the information here: <https://okanogacountycor.zoom.us/j/83496947874> Meeting ID: 834 9694 7874 Dial by your location +1 253 215 8102 or 646 248 7799 or +1 699 900 9128 Meeting ID: 834 9694 7874  
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## Summer Meals Program

Free sack lunch with milk served to all children 18 years and younger.

**Location**  
 Twisp Park (meals must be consumed on site)

**Dates**  
 June 20 - Aug 12  
 excluding week ends and July 4th

**Time**  
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# Mountain Lions earn spring league, team awards

BY RICK LEWIS

The 2022 spring season awards lists are out for both Liberty Bell High School and the Central Washington 2B League. The Mountain Lions have at least three athletes earning All-League honors in each sport, boys' track and field leading the way with eight such placements.

The baseball team had six athletes named to the All-League roster. Girls' tennis, boys' tennis, softball and boys' soccer had three apiece, and the girls' track team had two athletes tabbed with honors.

In track and field, Leki Albright and Will Halpin earned First Team honors in two events, both in the 1,600-meters and 3,200M runs. Also earning First Team honors were Kyler Mitchell in the 300M hurdles and Fischer Edwards throwing the javelin. Second Team awards went to Akstel Thomson in the 3,200M run, Sandra Hernandez in the 400M run, and Isiah Stoorhoff for the high jump. Honorable Mention awards went to Stoorhoff in the 800M run, Dexter Delaney in the 1,600M and 3,200M runs, Morgan Spellman in the javelin, and the boys' 4x400M relay team of Mitchell, Spellman, and the Chavez-Hernandez brothers,

George and John. Senior catcher Noah Holton led the way for the Mountain Lion baseball team on the First Team All-League roster. Freshmen Damon Alumbaugh and Lucian Pua joined junior Sawyer Crandall on the Second Team with senior David Komank and eighth-grader Remy Paz earning Honorable Mention.

Holton was recognized largely for his play behind the plate defensively but was also dependable at the plate all season. It was the third All-League First Team honor for the Mountain Lion senior this year to go along with his achievements in football and wrestling. He is also the only Liberty Bell athlete to make an appearance in at least the regional tournament of all three WIAA sports seasons this year as a member of the 2021 state tournament football Lions, winning the state title in 2B wrestling at 195 pounds, and playing baseball in the 2022 regional tournament.

Softball All-League achievers were a reflection of just how young this group of athletes were in 2022. While no Mountain Lions were named to the First Team, freshman catcher Cassidy Jones-Mowen and sophomore pitcher Maddie Mihalic showed up on the Second Team, and freshman outfielder Violet

Christina came up as Honorable Mention. The Mountain Lions were named Co-Sportsmanship Award winners with the Tomasket Tigers.

Mountain Lion Haizea Alvarez-Murua headed up a list of six Mountain Lion tennis players earning All-League honors. Alvarez-Murua, who qualified for, and played three matches at the WIAA State 2B championship, made the Second Team on the strength of her late season surge into the league and district tournaments. Mountain Lions earning Honorable Mention were boys' singles player EZ Kirk, the boys' doubles team of Connor Herlihy and Gannet Fisher, and girls' doubles players Sophia Newton and Amelie Stracker.

Boys' soccer awards released from the NCV2B League included three Mountain Lions. Freshman forward Finn Simons was named to the Second Team while senior midfielder and team captain Kieran Quigley, and freshman defender and forward Bradyn Schmekel, both made the Honorable Mention list.

### Team awards

Adding to the league's post-season awards for Mountain Lion athletes, the team coaching staffs and members also

select team specific honors. Team awards vary from program to program, some having the more traditional Most Improved, Inspirational, Most Valuable, and Coaches Awards. Others, like soccer's Moment of Brilliance and Selective Hearing Awards, are little more creative.

Tennis coaches Dave Schulz and Keri Miles announced 2022 awards for the following athletes: Amelie Evans and Nathan Buck were named Most Improved, Sophia Newton and Connor Herlihy earned Most Inspirational, Haizea Alvarez-Murua and Angel Arellano were the MVPs, and Alvarez-Murua awarded captain for the girls while Arellano and EZ Kirk were the boys' co-captains.

For track and field, Most Improved went to Sandra Hernandez and EZ Kirk while Edwards and Fischer were identified as the teammates with the Most Potential. Holden Riggs and Dexter Delaney each received Coaches Awards. Leki Albright and Kyler Mitchell were awarded captain's pins.

The softball award winners were: Maddie Mihalic MVP, Rio Lott Most Improved, Cas-

sidy Jones-Mowen Most Inspirational, Violet Christina won the Golden Glove Award and Abby Wengert was the recipient of the Coaches Award.

From Mountain Lion baseball, Coach David Apholm reports that Noah Holton was chosen as the MVP, Nick White as the Most Improved and Damon Alumbaugh was named Most Inspirational on this year's squad.

From boys' soccer, always a rather eccentric program in collective personality, we hear from Coach David Marx a unique listing of awards for which some meanings are self-explanatory. Others, not so much. So, we'll hit the "...of the Year" awards. The Eighth Grade award goes to Ben Kaufman and Bodie Thomson, and Freshman of the Year is Bradyn Schmekel. Thirteen Moment of Brilliance Awards were handed out, and the Mad Ball Skills awards went to Aidan Sands and Baker Smith. We're going to guess the Blue Collar Worker Award translates loosely to MVP status, the winner being senior Kieran Quigley. The Most Likely To Be An Inspirational Speaker award went to Tristan Schmekel.

### Sports notes

Summer training programs

begin in earnest this week at Liberty Bell High School, featuring time in the weight training center upstairs above the gym. Training is open to Liberty Bell students only. Jeremy Wickens and Liam Daily will serve as coaches throughout the summer. Program days are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7-9 a.m.

According to Activities Director Michael Wilbur, the program is geared toward students athletes who seek to "improve their speed, power, agility, reaction, conditioning and strength (SPARC'S)." In a letter to students introducing the program, Wilbur wrote, "If you are committed to achieving success in your sports of choice, or simply interested in learning how to more effectively train while increasing your athleticism, this program is for you."

In addition to the weight training program, Coach Erik Brooks will be conducting a summer running program through July, open to students interested in learning the art of distance running. While membership in the cross country and track and field programs may not be requisite, one could expect to hear all about those two opportunities. Contact Brooks through Liberty Bell High School at (509) 996-2215.

## BIG CATCHES



Photo by Rick Lewis  
Above: Collin Fakhakh, 9, of Twisp River, landed a 9-pound rainbow during kids' free fishing day at the Winthrop fish hatchery.  
Left: Ella Luchi, 11, of Mount Vernon, showed off her 11-pound rainbow. More than 470 people showed up for the Saturday event, which made a post-pandemic return.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### MOUNTAIN BIKING FOR WOMEN

The Radical Roots Women's Mountain Bike Skills Camp is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday (June 18-19) as part of the Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance Singletrack Solstice Celebration. The program includes skill development sessions in the mornings and small group instructional rides in the afternoon. Register at [www.evergreenmfb.org/methowcelebration](http://www.evergreenmfb.org/methowcelebration). Appropriate for all levels, instruction ranges from basic front wheel lifts and switchback turns to technical climbs, descents, drops and jumps. Cost: \$395. For more information, email [rideyourbike@methowcyclesport.com](mailto:rideyourbike@methowcyclesport.com) or call (509) 996-3645.

### SUMMER AT THE LOUP

Loup Ski Bowl is now open and offers the following summer activities:  
• Chairlift rides for top-of-the-mountain hiking, sightseeing, picnicking and disc golf.  
• An 18-hole alpine disc golf course — 9-holes at the top of the chairlift, and 9-holes at the base area.  
• Hiking.  
• Bike rental for the whole family.  
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• Hosted gravel rides with sag wagons, lunch and return shuttle rides.  
• Camping, including RV and tent camping.  
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### RINK SUMMER ACTIVITIES

The Winthrop Rink is open for summer operations. Programs include:  
• Pickleball, Mondays and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday 9-11 a.m., through September. \$4 admission, no punch cards and season passes available. Paddles, balls, nets free. Try pickleball free the first Monday of the month (July 4, Aug. 1).  
• Roller inline skating, Fridays and Saturdays 6-9 p.m. in June, July, August. \$6 adults, \$4 youth (6-17)/seniors, 5 and under free. Skate rentals \$2. Helmets, knee/wrist/ elbow pads free. Season passes available. Kids skate for free the last Saturday of the month.  
• Roller inline hockey, Wednesdays 6-9 p.m. in June, July, August. \$6 adults, \$4 youth (6-17)/seniors, 5 and under free. Skate rentals \$2. Helmets, knee/wrist/ elbow pads free. Season passes available.  
• Adult roller ice (for ages 15 and older) will be offered on Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m.; \$4 admission, \$2 skate rental, \$60 seasonal pass.  
• Rentals — the skating facility or, separately, the upstairs viewing room are available for rent, by the hour or by the day.  
• Kids' skate for free on June 25, July 30 and Aug. 27.  
Visit [www.winthroprink.org](http://www.winthroprink.org), email [sboudni@winthroprink.org](mailto:sboudni@winthroprink.org) or call (509) 996-4199 for additional information.

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Briefly

WENATCHEE

Grace Van Well to compete in national Special Olympics

Grace Van Well has qualified to compete in the swimming portion of the Special Olympics USA Games, June 6-10. The games run June 5-12 in Orlando, Florida. She will be competing in freestyle and butterfly swimming. In 12 years of competing in Special Olympics, she has won over 25 medals, including nine golds. Van Well, 23, taught herself to swim when she was 10 years old because she enjoys the sport and "loves to go fast," according to

information provided by the family. She attended Wenatchee High School and competed with the swim team all four years, making it to state three times. She was the program's first female adaptive swimmer and was voted "Most Inspirational" her senior year. Van Well works as an office assistant at her family's nursery, selling fruit trees. During her free time, she swims every Sunday morning. Van Well is looking forward to competing against other athletes and going to Disney World to meet Princess Anna from the movie "Frozen."

CHELAN

Guild Y fundraising for new outdoor patio

Hospital Guild Y is holding a fundraiser to support the new Chelan Valley Hospital. The guild is selling etched paving bricks for the outdoor patio adjacent to the Orchards Cafe in the new hospital. For a \$100 donation, your name or the name of someone important will be sand-blasted onto a 4-inch-by-8-inch patio brick.

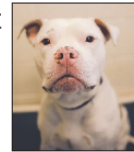
Forms are available at the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, 216 E. Woodin Ave. Cash and checks are accepted. Donations are accepted until June 30 and will help pay for the brick patio and outdoor furniture. For information, call (509) 682-3300 or email info@lchc.net.

— Jenni Rodas, World staff

Pet of the Week

Meet Andy

Andy is a 4-year-old, large-sized white and brown American pit bull terrier mix. Andy is a loving boy with a big personality. He's a fan favorite here at the shelter and is a huge lover who is eagerly waiting for his new home. Andy does well with other dogs in play groups here at the shelter and is slowly getting the hang of walking on a leash. We know there is someone out there that will love this sweet boy as much as we do and we hope they come to meet Andy soon! His adoption fee is \$75. The Humane Society, 1474 S. Wenatchee Ave., is open 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For information, call (509) 662-9277, or visit wenatcheehumane.org or



their Facebook page. To protect staff and visitors from the spread of COVID-19, all visitors to the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society are required to wear face masks while interacting with staff or inside the WVHS building. To reduce the risk to both guests and staff, dog meet-and-greets are conducted outside and guests inside the building are limited to one person.

— Wenatchee Valley Humane Society



A memorial for former Chelan County Fire District 1 Commissioner Mike Compton was dedicated on April 30.

Applause

WENATCHEE

Squibuck Fire Station dedicated

The Chelan County Fire District held a dedication ceremony in honor of former commissioner Mike Compton on April 30. Compton, who died in 2009 at the age of 70, served 45 years with Chelan County Fire District 1 and was described as passionate and devoted to serving his community. The fire station was built in 1975 and was not used recently until 2017. The station is now functional, staffed and prepared to serve the citizens of the valley for decades to come.

— Jenni Rodas, World staff

The story of a quilt that was 42 years in the making

By DORIS BUCHMANN Contributing reader

It took 42 years to finish a quilt my mother started in 1978. My mother, Helena Schmidt Ottmar, was a seamstress who sewed beautiful clothes for her family and did many types of needlework. She also made quilts. She started a new quilt in 1978, sewing together the pieces for the quilt top. She also bought the material for the backing. Early in 1979 came her cancer. She knew she couldn't finish the quilt alone and she asked me to help but I am not a sewer and couldn't be of help. She passed away on Feb. 28, 1980, with the quilt unfinished. I have kept those pieces and backing material all this time knowing I wanted the quilt finished for her. Over the years, I still knew I wanted to have the quilt



Doris Buchmann, left, poses for a photo with her mother's quilt that Skip Frans and Jodie Duncan helped her finish after more than 40 years.

behind it. We scheduled a meeting to look at the quilt pieces and backing material, and Jodie decided she wanted to do it. During that meeting, we were joined by Skip Frans, who would do the machine applique on his long-arm quilting machine to complete the work. On March 14, I went to pick up the finished quilt and I was amazed at how beautiful it was. Jodie and Skip did such a great job. Jodie did wonderful hand stitching around the pieces my mother had made. I know it took her hours to do this. Skip, with his long arm quilters machine, did beautiful designs on the solid-blue pieces. It took many hours and days to finish the quilt that my mother started and couldn't finish. Jodie and Skip are two very kind and talented people took on the task of doing it for her. I know it was done with love, and I thank them both.

Doris Buchmann lives in Wenatchee.

Senior nutrition program to begin June 6

By JENNI RODAS World staff writer

NCW — The annual senior nutrition program is set to start the first week of June. Participants are required to attest that they are age 60 or older, American Indian and Alaska Natives are eligible starting at age 55. Eligible seniors must live in Chelan, Douglas, Grant or Okanogan counties. The prerequisites for income must be at or below \$2542 annual income or \$2096 monthly income

for one person. For a two-person household the annual income must be at or below \$33,874 and monthly income \$2,823. Larger households add \$644 for each additional person. Seniors who qualify have the opportunity to apply and receive two packets of vouchers worth \$40 for fruits, vegetables and honey at farmers markets and farm stores in Washington state. The distribution will take place on following dates and locations: June 6: 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Chelan Senior Center, 534 E. Trow Ave. June 6: 1 to 2 p.m., Entiat Community Center, 2084 Entiat Way. June 8: 10 to 11 a.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St. June 8: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Ephelades Assisted Living, 809 Pioneer Ave., Cashmere. June 9: 1 to 2 p.m., Reewster Senior Center, 109 S. Bridge St. June 10: 10 to 11 a.m., Ephrata Senior Center, 124 C St., NW. June 13: 10 to 11 a.m., Okanogan Senior Center, 1300 2nd St. S. June 14: 10 to 11 a.m., Free Methodist Church, 815 2nd Ave. SW, Quincy. June 15: 11 a.m. to noon, Tonasket Senior Center, 22 W. 5th St. June 16: 10 to 11 a.m., Methow Senior Center, 215 Methow Valley Highway, Twisp. June 21: 11 to 11:45 a.m., Oroville Senior Center, 122 Golden St. June 22: 10 a.m. to noon, Town Topics Cafe, 1200 Walla Walla Ave., Wenatchee.

Toppenish family peony business blooms for generations

By SARA RAE SHIELDS Yakima Herald-Republic

TOPPENISH — Rows of tight, round, unopened peony buds rustle in the wind. A peek of color gives a glimpse of what's to come. Over 5000 peonies produce 50,000 to 60,000 buds and flowers on 1.5 acres behind a 100-year-old house in Toppenish. The yellow house is where Adeline's Peonies started, when Adeline McCarthy began bartering flowers and vegetables with neighbors. In return, she received salmon and berries from the Yakima tribal members. Adeline's Peonies has been in business since 1929 and has expanded to include 15 acres in Zillah. In all, they raise 21 peony varieties across the color spectrum. The 1.5 acres in Toppenish features some of Adeline's original peonies, still producing flowers. Peonies can live for 80-100 years. "Peonies are a perennial plant, they come back every year," said Jay McCarthy, owner and operator of Adeline's Peonies. Jay is the fourth-generation family member to manage the business and fields. "They go dormant during the winter. They need freezing weather to start their regular growth cycle over again, and then it just depends on the weather," McCarthy said. "If you have a really warm spring they'll bloom earlier and if you have a cold spring like we did this year, they obviously come in a lot later." Full-bloom peonies will soon adorn cemeteries across the Yakima Nation, a favorite decoration among tribal members.



Jay McCarthy picks up a pile of harvested Buckeye Belle peonies to trim and sort at Adeline's Peonies in Toppenish on May 18.

We try to use as much as we can." Workers known as "bridesmaids" trim stems and leaves, gathering bundles of 10 buds, making it easier to put 100 in a box, ready to be shipped or sold to wholesalers. Wholesalers come and go, buying up boxes. The cold storage room at Adeline's Peonies was wiped clean in one day of their rare Lemon Chiffon peony, the buds coming from Holland. Buds will sit in cold storage rooms, blooming on pause, until May and June weddings and celebrations. After the peony season passes, in September, foliage will dry out and turn brown. "We take a big lawn mower. It's hooked onto a tractor, and we cut down all the foliage and recycle it into the ground so it (peony plant) can reuse that energy," McCarthy said. "The field will be just dirt; you won't see anything. Then during spring and February or March, the plants start poking through the ground and they'll grow up to be mature, flowering plants." When root systems are moved to new fields, they can be separated into more plants. Peonies are resilient. "The word itself can also be hard for some people to pronounce. It's PEE-eh-nee, not pee-OHN-y." "I hear peony peonies said two different ways. I say it the incorrect way because that's what I hear most and I don't want to stand out," McCarthy said. "But I hear both pronunciations, so who really knows." McCarthy lives in the century-old yellow house that hides the peony field behind it. Working for the family business has a major perk.

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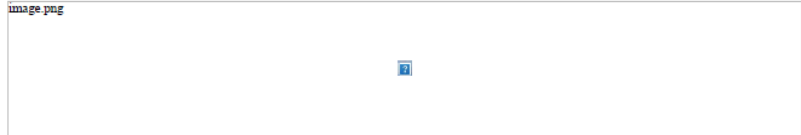
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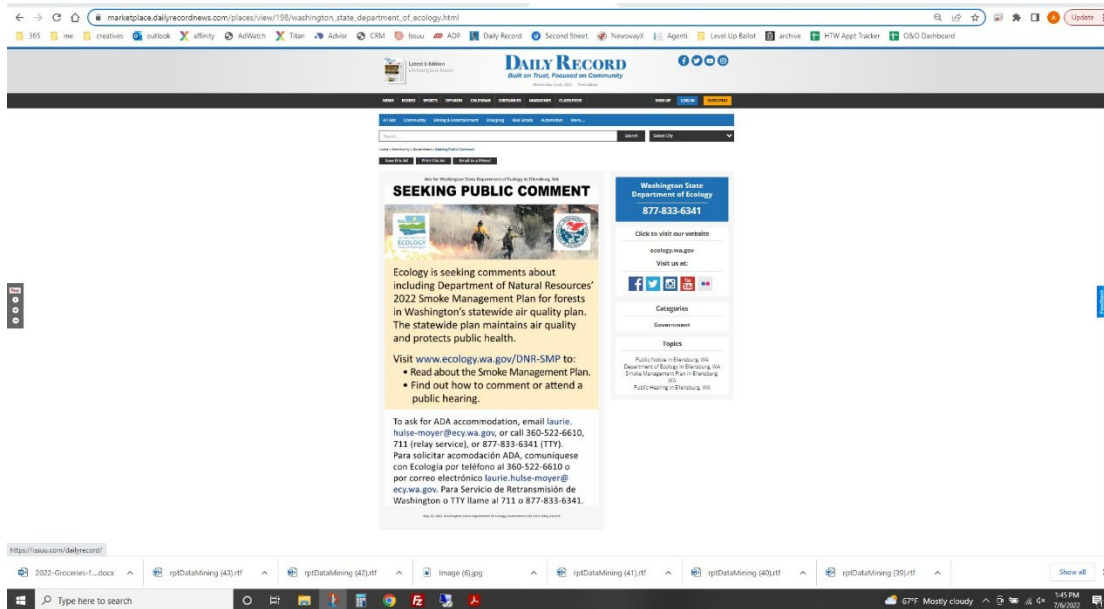
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High: 73 A breezy afternoon with a shower.	Low: 52 Cloudy	High: 67 Whisk clouds, then a shower in the p.m.	High: 59 Cloudy, cool with a few showers.	High: 58 Winds subsiding with a few clouds and sun.	High: 71 Warmer with three of clouds and sun.
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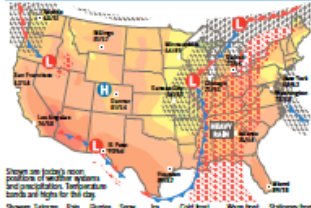
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Chelan	60	43	Walla Walla	53	45
Leavenworth	60	43	Grand Coulee	53	45

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City	Today	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
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Yakima	71/50	65/45	59/46	58/46	58/46	58/46	71/46
Wenatchee	60/43	54/37	48/31	47/30	47/30	47/30	60/43

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Chicago	73/53	65/45	59/46	58/46	58/46	58/46	71/46
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Los Angeles	71/50	65/45	59/46	58/46	58/46	58/46	71/46

### Air Quality Index

City	Today	Forecast
Ellensburg	Good	Good
Yakima	Good	Good

### Wind Speeds

City	Today	Forecast
Ellensburg	8-15 mph	8-15 mph
Yakima	8-15 mph	8-15 mph

## Memorial Day

Department. Although the fire department will be hosting their traditional breakfast at this year's event, they will be grilling hot dogs for attendees throughout the afternoon. The Ellensburg Post will be serving breakfast sandwiches at the car show for morning visitors.

"It seems like nobody's missed a beat," she said. "They're really excited to get back out there." Along with the high level of parade entries, Castrilli said the committee is gearing up for a robust turnout of attendees. "In 2019, we had at least 3,000 people throughout the whole day," she said. "We expect this year's event to be about the same size."

Although people can attend the event at any point throughout the day, Castrilli said attendees need to remember that the main drag through Easton will be closed before the parade. She said it is also important to take a look at the weather predictions, as they can be very different than those in Lower County. "It does get congested if you get here late," she said. "It's kind of a free for all for parking, but the earlier you get here, the more options you have."

with the event since she was a child, having served on the committee for over a decade. She said volunteers are the lifeblood of events like the Memorial Day parade and encourage everyone to consider pitching in for a similar event wherever they live. "It's a great way to give back to the community," she said. "We see the benefits of keeping this parade going, and we are passionate about keeping it successful for years to come."

## Shooting

"He was just a young little boy, just enjoying life, not knowing that this tragedy was going to happen," she said. "He was very bubbly, loved to dance with his brothers, his mom. This has just taken a toll on all of us." She lamented what she described as her gun laws. "We should have more restrictions, especially if these kids are not in their right state of mind and all they want to do is hurt people, especially innocent children going to the

school," Garza said. Arriamendi also spoke angrily through tears about how the shooter managed to get a gun. "It's just difficult to understand or to put into words," she said. "I just don't know how people can sell that type of a gun to a kid 10 years old. What he is going to use it for, but that purpose?"

At Yarna prepared to give blood for the wounded, she wondered how no one noticed trouble with the shooter in time to stop him. "To me, it's more about raising mental health awareness," said Yarna, a wellness coach who attended Robb Elementary herself. "Someone could possibly have seen a dramatic change before something like this happened."

## Will Congress act on guns after Sandy Hook, Buffalo, Uvalde?

By LISA MASCARO  
AP Congressional Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer swiftly set in motion a pair of background-check bills for gun buyers Wednesday in response to the school massacre in Texas. But the Democratic acknowledged Congress' unyielding rejection of previous legislation to curb the national epidemic of gun violence. Schumer implored his Republican colleagues to cast aside the powerful gun lobby and reach across the aisle for even a modest compromise bill. But no votes are being scheduled.

"Please, please, please, please — put yourselves in the shoes of their parents just for once," Schumer said as he opened the Senate. He threw up his hands at the idea of what might seem an inevitable outcome: "If the slaughter of schoolchildren can't convince Republicans to back the NRA, what can we do?"

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At a civic center where desperate relatives had gathered for news late Tuesday, one man walked away sobbing into his phone. "She is gone," behind the building, a woman stood alone, alternately crying and yelling into her phone, shaking her fist and stamping her feet.

Even for the survivors, there was grief.

Lorena Aguiar was substitute teaching at Uvalde High School when she heard about the shooting. She began frantically texting her niece, a fourth-grader at Robb Elementary, until Aguiar heard from

her sister that the child was OK. Aguiar said her niece asked her that night, "Ma, why did they do this to us? We're good kids, we didn't do anything wrong?" Hillcrest Memorial Funeral Home, which is located across the street from Robb Elementary School, said in a Facebook post that it would be assisting families of the shooting victims with no cost for funerals.



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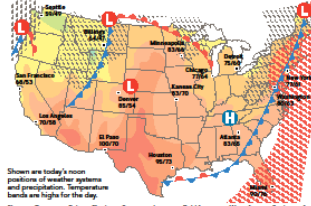
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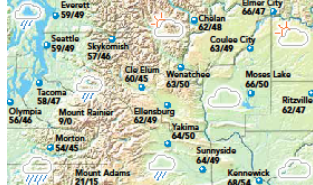
## 5-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>ELLENSBURG</b> High: 62 Low: 49 Cloudy, a shower in the p.m. POP: 55%	<b>Low: 49</b> Very windy, cloudy and cool POP: 60%	<b>60</b> <b>46</b> Mostly cloudy, dry and cool POP: 25%	<b>65</b> <b>46</b> Mostly cloudy with breezy, warmer POP: 25%	<b>74</b> <b>51</b> Pleasant with clouds and sun POP: 15%	<b>79</b> <b>55</b> Mostly cloudy POP: 15%
<b>CLE ELUM</b> High: 60 Low: 45 Cloudy, a shower this afternoon POP: 55%	<b>Low: 45</b> Cloudy and cooler POP: 80%	<b>53</b> <b>45</b> Mostly cloudy and cooler POP: 25%	<b>62</b> <b>42</b> Mostly cloudy and warmer POP: 25%	<b>72</b> <b>48</b> Pleasant and warmer, some sun POP: 15%	<b>77</b> <b>52</b> Mostly cloudy POP: 15%

## THE NATION



## The Region



## Almanac

Through 2 p.m. Fri.

Temperature	High	Low
Today	62/50	49/46
Normal high/low	72/45	52/38
Last year high/low	72/45	52/38
Record high	91 in 1924	64 in 1924
Record low	34 in 2011	24 in 2011

Last Week's Temperature Trend  
Daily ranges - Normal/High - Normal/Low

57	71	30	44	74	74
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Sat. Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thu. Fri.

24 hours through 2 p.m. Fri. 0.06  
Month to date / normal 0.91 / 0.71  
Year to date / normal 4.03 / 4.15

Precipitation in inches

24 hours through 2 p.m. Fri.	0.06
Month to date / normal	0.91 / 0.71
Year to date / normal	4.03 / 4.15

CLE ELUM

Temperature	High	Low
Today	56/49	43/30
Normal high/low	64/51	47/34
Last year high/low	64/51	47/34
Record high	94 in 1947	34 in 1947
Record low	16 in 1913	16 in 1913

Last Week's Temperature Trend  
Daily ranges - Normal/High - Normal/Low

57	63	44	62	64	64
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Sat. Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thu. Fri.

24 hours through 2 p.m. Fri. 0.05  
Month to date / normal 1.40 / 1.42  
Year to date / normal 11.95 / 11.45

U.S. Extremes (for the 48 contiguous states Friday)

High	Low
104 in Pecos, TX	24 in Angel Fire, NM

## Yakima River Stages

Station	Flood Stage	Stage	24-hour Change	Sunrise	Today	Sun.
Cle Elum	9	6.84	+0.11	5:14 a.m.	5:13 a.m.	5:13 a.m.
Holick	31.89	+2.26		8:46 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	8:45 a.m.
Ellensburg	34	31.45	+0.24	4:19 a.m.	4:19 a.m.	4:19 a.m.
Unterman	35.5	32.21	+0.17	7:19 p.m.	7:19 p.m.	7:19 p.m.

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## Air Quality Index

Today	Good
Source: Airnow.gov	

## WHAT'S UP IN THE SKY?

# The swan flies in sky tonight

Today: Cygnus the swan flies tonight. Deneb, the brightest star in the constellation, whose name means "tail" in Arabic, is two and a half fists held upright and at arms length above due northeast at 10:00 p.m. Cygnus wings make a vertical line one half a fist to the right of Deneb. Its head, marked by the star Albireo, is two fists to the right of Deneb.

While Deneb is at the tail of Cygnus, it is at the head of the line of bright stars. It is 160,000 times more luminous than the sun making it one of the brightest stars in the galaxy. It does not dominate our night sky because it is 2,600 light years away, one of the farthest naked eye stars. If Deneb were 25 light years away, it would shine as bright as a crescent moon. Compare that



BRUCE PALMQUIST  
Local columnist

to Vega, its fellow Summer Triangle star. Vega is 25 light years away and is certainly not rival the light of the crescent moon. Vega is about two fists to the upper right of Deneb.

Sunday: Starshower was created on the island of Great Britain by Neolithic people. "Manhattanhenge" was created on the island of Manhattan by modern day architects and construction workers. Twice a year, the end of May and mid-July, the setting sun aligns perfectly with the Manhattan grid pattern. That means observers will see the sun set at the end of the street. The first Manhattanhenge sunset is tonight at 8:13 p.m.

Eastern time and then again tomorrow at 8:14 p.m. Eastern time. For more information about Manhattanhenge, go to <http://tiny.cc/3tqydw>.

If you can't visit Manhattan, you can at least get up early and observe Jupiter and Mars very close together in the pre-dawn sky. Mars is about a half a degree below Jupiter. They are both one and a half fists above the east-southeastern horizon.

Monday: Most meteor showers are yearly occurrences that come about once a year, passing through the orbital path of a comet. The meteors are the tiny bits of the comet left behind, similar to the crumbs left behind by a hiker eating a large cookie. In 1995, probes measured variations in how the moon's gravity pulled on the orbiting spacecraft. These variations can be explained by a large amount of liquid water under one section of the ice because liquid water is denser than an equal volume of ice. While you need a very large telescope to see Enceladus, you can easily see Saturn less than a half a fist above the southern horizon at 4:30 a.m.

The positional information in this column about stars and planets is typically accurate for the entire week. For up to date information about the night sky, go to <https://nightsky.org>, <https://nightscap.nasa.gov/planner.cfm>.

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# Boeing capsule lands back on Earth after space shakedown

By MARCIA DUNN  
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Boeing's crew taxi returned to Earth from the International Space Station on Wednesday, completing a repeat test flight before NASA astronauts climb aboard.

It was a quick trip back: The Starliner capsule, parachuted into New Mexico desert just four hours after leaving the orbiting lab, with airbags attached to cushion the landing. Only a mannequin was buckled in.

Aside from thruster failures and cooling system snags, Starliner appeared to clinch its high-stakes shakedown cruise, 2 1/2 years after its botched first try. Flight controllers in Houston applauded and cheered the bulls-eye touchdown.

"It's great to have this incredible test flight behind us," said Steve Stich, director of NASA's commercial crew program. He described the demo as "extremely successful" with all objectives met.

Added Boeing's Mark Nappi, a vice president: "On a scale of one to 10, I think I'd give it a 15."

Based on these early results, NASA astronauts will strap in next for a trip to the space station, perhaps by year's end.

The space agency has long wanted two competing U.S. companies ferrying astronauts, for added insurance as it drastically reduced its reliance on Russia for rides to and from the space station.

Elon Musk's SpaceX is already the established leader, launching astronauts since 2020 and even tourists. Its crew capsules splash down off



BOEING'S STARLINER CAPSULE

Boeing's CST-100 Starliner spacecraft lands at White Sands Missile Range's Space Harbor, Wednesday, in New Mexico.

The Florida coast, Boeing's Starliner returns to the Army's expansive and desolate White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico.

Boeing scrapped its first attempt to reach the space station in 2019, after software errors led the capsule in the wrong orbit and nearly doomed it. The company fixed the flaws and tried again last summer, but corroded valves halted the countdown. Following more repairs, Starliner finally lifted off from Cape Canaveral last Thursday and docked to the space station Friday.

Station astronauts tested Starliner's communication and computer systems during its five days at the space station. They also unloaded hundreds of pounds (kilograms) of groceries and other supplies that flew up in the Boeing capsule, then filled it with empty air tanks and other discarded gear.

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Scarlett Agee (left) gets some help holding up her prize-winning fish.



## Agee lands whopper in derby

CONCONULLY — May 21 didn't provide the best weather for fishing, but 69 youngsters and their parents braved the cold, wind and rain for the annual Okanogan-Omak Rotary Kids Fishing Derby. Rotarians served hot dogs and warm beverages. Grand champion was

Scarlett Agee, who landed a whopper of a trout at 2.26 pounds and 19.5 inches long. She won a variety of outdoor equipment.  
Ages 0-5 - 1, Lacy McLen-dani, Spokane, 2.01 pounds; 2, Emmert Neumann, Yakima; 3, Dawson Leidholdt, Okanogan, Ages 6-8 - 1, Makinley Barry,

Spokane Valley, 1.91 pounds; 2, Jack Park, Omak, 3, Jackson Bargner, Okanogan, Ages 9-11 - 1, Dane Mcle-land, Spokane, 1.71 pounds, 2, Addison Lisenbey, Omak, 3, Kallianne Cate, Omak, Ages 12-15 - 1, Aden Robi-nette, Riverside, 0.61 pound, 2, Logan Cate, Omak.

## Tribe gains ownership of Wagner Ranch property

NESPELEM — The Wagner Ranch in the Methow Valley now belongs to the Colville Confederated Tribes, which plans to hold it in conservation status to protect fish and wildlife habitat.  
On May 19 the tribe and Methow Conservancy had a signing ceremony to turn the 328-acre ranch over to the tribe from the conservancy.  
The largely undisturbed riverfront land lies in the heart of traditional Methow territory. Methow is one of the confederation's tribes.  
The land will be conserved under the guidance of Methow descendants through Colville tribal ownership, said the tribe's announcement. The tribe's fish and wildlife anadromous Program will continue work in the watershed, with the ranch

property serving as prime area for salmon recovery efforts.  
There may be potential for restoration of native plants and wildlife, the tribe said, adding that it will pursue habitat improvements and educational programming to benefit all inhabitants of the valley and surrounding region.  
Fundraising by the Methow Conservancy and its thorough understanding of the history of dispossession of the Methow people from their lands made the gift possible, said the tribe. The tribe and conservancy seek to continue their collaboration on land conservation projects and to protect culturally significant lands.  
"The land is already being used for cultural activities and to improve fish and wildlife habitats," said Colville Business

Council Chairman Andrew Joseph Jr. "We accept our responsibility as stewards of this land to preserve a fertile habitat and we appreciate this opportunity to right some of the historical damage done to the Methow."  
"The Methow people's legacy of stewardship on these lands should inspire all of us to live humbly and with intention in this beautiful valley," said Sam Nancy, president of the conservancy's board. "While no single project can resolve the past injustices levied on them and their ancestors, we sincerely hope this small step provides meaningful opportunities for the Methow and the (tribes) to practice their cultural traditions, to gather, and to regain their time-honored place here in the Methow."

## Sex offenders' DNA samples collected

OLYMPIA — The state Attorney General's Office has completed its project to collect DNA samples from registered sex offenders from whom samples had never been collected or submitted to a lab for testing.

Attorney General Bob Ferguson said the offenders are legally required to provide their DNA. The latest phase of the project resulted in 372 new DNA profiles entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), a nationwide database.

Eight out of the 372 DNA profiles resulted in a "hit," meaning the offender's profile matched DNA evidence already in the database.

- Three unsolved sex offenses in Washington are being reviewed as a result of the CODIS "hits."

- Two of the hits were confirmatory; either the offender was already convicted or already a confirmed suspect.

- Three hits are from out-of-state offenses. Law enforcement in those states will be notified, Ferguson said.

The office has now moved on to the next phase of the project - collecting samples from offenders of all other types of violent crimes. Ferguson's office is working with local law enforcement around the state to collect lawfully owed DNA samples, he said.

"Out of respect for survivors and their experience, this work must be done," Ferguson said. "This project is bringing justice to survivors of assault, rape and other violent crimes. The more cold cases that are solved, the safer our communities will be."

Washington law requires all offenders convicted of a felony, certain gross misdemeanors

and all currently registered sex and kidnapping offenders to provide a DNA sample.

At the beginning of the project, it was unknown how many sex offenders in Washington had failed to provide a DNA sample as required by law. The Attorney General's Office identified 635 registered sex offenders who owed a DNA sample in Washington.

Law enforcement agencies determined that, of those 635 offenders, 257 could not provide samples because they're no longer alive, no longer living in the state, incarcerated in another state, deported or a variety of other reasons.

Six offenders could not be contacted.

OMAK — Jeff and Dodi Murphy have earned more than \$13,000 in efficiency incentives from the Okanogan County Public Utility District by making improvements at their 22 rental properties.

"If we wouldn't live in it, you won't either," say the couple. Providing tenants with safe, efficient homes has led them to implement multiple energy efficiency incentives through the PUD, said a utility announcement.

Over the years, they have insulated attics, walls and floors, and upgraded to energy-efficient windows and doors in about a dozen properties, earning the efficiency incentives. They do the work themselves, and along the way they also remodel for any issues with electrical, plumbing and cosmetic needs, said the PUD.

They say the benefits are that tenants tend to stay longer and take better care of the homes, and share the couple's reputation across the community. The Murphys have a waiting list and hear from agencies looking for places for new employees.

They have nearly completed a rental for traveling nurses for Mid-Valley Hospital, the PUD said.

The PUD said with better insulation and fewer air leaks, tenants enjoy quieter, more comfortable living spaces and also have lower utility bills. For about a dozen properties, the Murphys have saved more than 25,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity per year — enough to power another average home and a half.

Their tenants in total spend about \$1,400 less each year on their electric bills.

PUD officials said the Murphys care about peace of mind



OKANOGAN  
A kitchen remodel is in progress, but insulation is

and knowing their tenants live in safe homes.

Along with getting checks from the PUD for their energy efficiency measures, landlords also can potentially deduct improvement expenses on th

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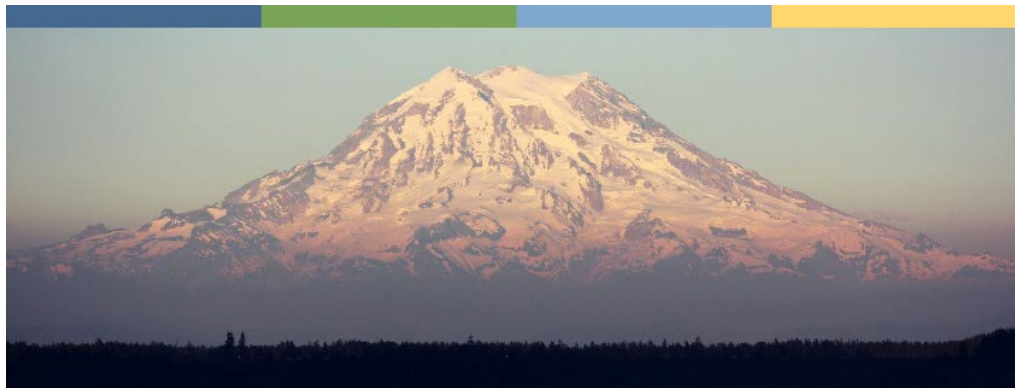
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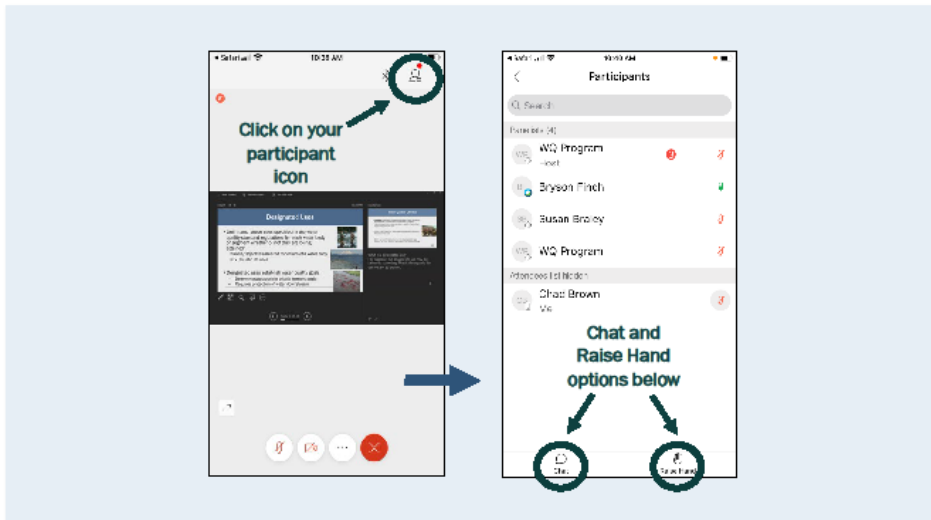
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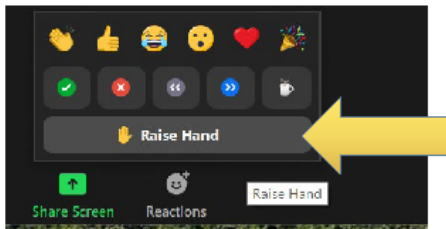
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# Welcome



Martha Hankins

Policy and  
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### Department of Ecology

- Joanna Ekrem – Acting Rules and Planning Unit Supervisor
- Laurie Hulse-Moyer – Project Lead
- Eman Jabali – Meeting Host
- Melanie Forster – Hearing officer

### Department of Natural Resources

- Jonathan Guzzo – Policy Coordinator
- Karen Zirkle – Assistant Division Manager for Policy and Landowner Services
- Carolyn Kelly, Smoke Management Field Coordinator

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# Tonight's Schedule



Welcome	Martha Hankins
Ecology SIP presentation	Laurie Hulse-Moyer
DNR Smoke Management Plan update	Karen Zirkle
Questions	Ecology and DNR
Public Hearing	Melanie Forster
Closing	Martha Hankins

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## Speakers

Laurie Hulse-Moyer, Ecology

Karen Zirkle, Department of Natural  
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# State Air Quality Plan

- State Implementation Plan

- Laws, rules, programs

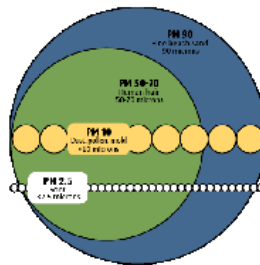


- NAAQS

- National ambient air quality standards

- Criteria Pollutants

- Particulate Matter
- Ozone
- Nitrogen Oxides
- Sulfur Oxides
- Carbon Monoxide
- Lead



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## State Implementation Plan (SIP)

- Federal Clean Air Act requirement for the state
- A set of rules, plans and programs
- How the state implements, maintains & enforces national ambient air quality standards
- Protects visibility – Regional Haze (scenic areas)
- The Smoke Management Plan is part of the SIP

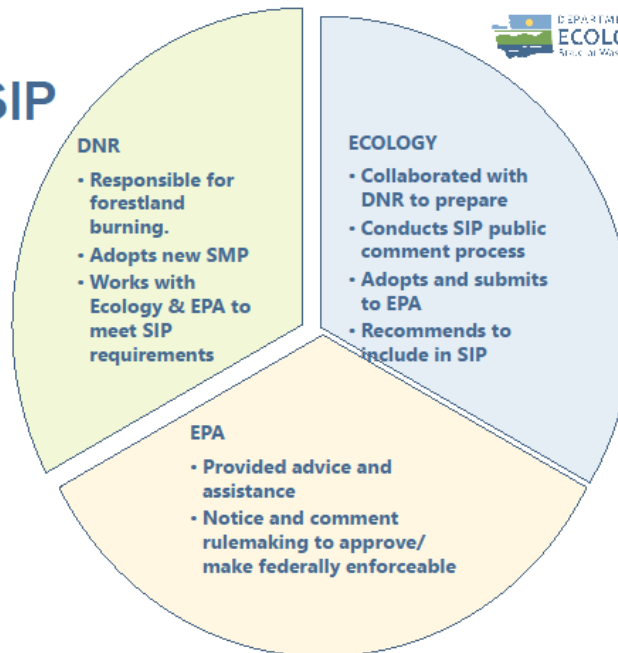
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## SMP into SIP

- 1998 SMP currently in SIP
- 2022 Update
- Demonstration includes an analysis of key changes



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## Ecology SIP process

- Shall we include Washington State Department of Natural Resources' 2022 Smoke Management Plan in the Washington SIP?
  - To replace the 1998 version
- Comment period opened – May 25
- Public Hearing – June 28
- Comment period closes – June 30
- Depending on comments received
  - Ecology will recommend submitting SMP to EPA

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## Department of Natural Resources Updates to the Smoke Management Plan

Karen Zirkle

Wildland Fire Management Division - Assistant  
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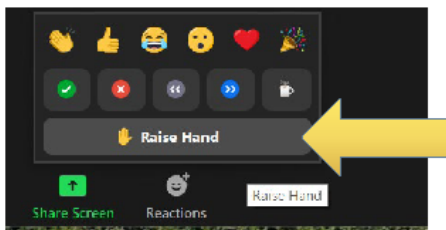
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## Question & Answer period

- Ecology – Laurie Hulse-Moyer/Martha Hankins
- DNR – Karen Zirkle/Jonathan Guzzo

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# Hearing

Melanie Forster – Hearing Officer

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## Next Steps

- After June 30
- Review and respond to comments
- Make recommendation to Director
- If adopted, submit to EPA ~mid-August

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# The Updated Smoke Management Plan 2022



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# History

- 2017 WA Legislature funded DNR to update the 1998 Smoke Management Plan (SMP)
- 2017 & 2018
  - Hired a project coordinator
  - Developed a task force including members from
    - Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency
    - Washington State Department of Ecology
    - Washington State Department of Health
    - United States Forest Service
    - Green Diamond Resources, LLC
    - National Park Service
    - Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce



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# History cont'd

Task force met 16 times and tackled the following subjects:

- Align approval criteria with RCW.
- Exceptions process.
- Multi-day burn process.
- Complaint tracking.
- Intrusions definition/criteria.
- Update state data system.
- Weekend burning restrictions.
- Designated areas.
- Sensitive areas.
- 24 hr advance approval.
- Low risk areas.
- Definitions of Silvicultural burning and forest health/forest resiliency burning.
- Adaptive management.

13 "Focus Groups" were conducted statewide



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# Status of 13 subjects

## clarified in the updated SMP

- Align approval criteria with RCW
- Exceptions process
- Multi-day burn process
- Complaint tracking
- Intrusions definition/criteria

## changes incorporated into the updated SMP

- Weekend burning restrictions removed
- 24 hr advance approval
- Designated/Sensitive areas
- Silvicultural burning in UGA's

## designed and implemented

- Update state data system

## not taken forward at this time

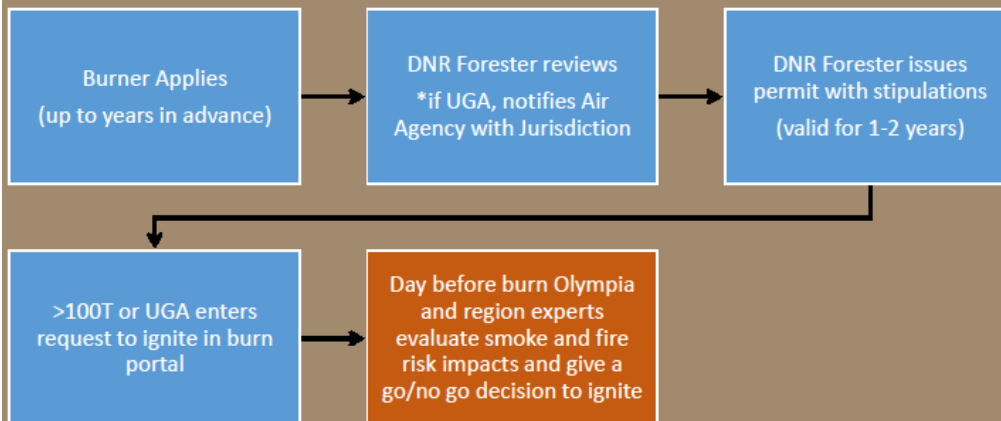
- Low risk areas
- Definitions of Silvicultural burning and forest health/forest resiliency burning
- Adaptive management



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# Silvicultural Burning Authorization Process



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# Burn Portal

The screenshot shows the Burn Portal web application. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for DASHBOARD, REGIONS, CALENDAR, PERMITS, and BURN REQUESTS, along with a LOGIN button. Below the navigation bar is a welcome message: "Welcome to the Burn Portal. To apply for a permit or submit a burn request, please create a SAW account. To get started, click Login. If you need help, a link for? need to Login or Contact Support at the top of the page." The main content area features a map of Washington state with various regions highlighted. To the right of the map are two buttons labeled "PERMITS" and "SMOKE". Below the map and buttons are four more buttons: "BURN RESTRICTIONS", "AIR QUALITY", "STATE LAWS", and "HELPFUL LINKS".

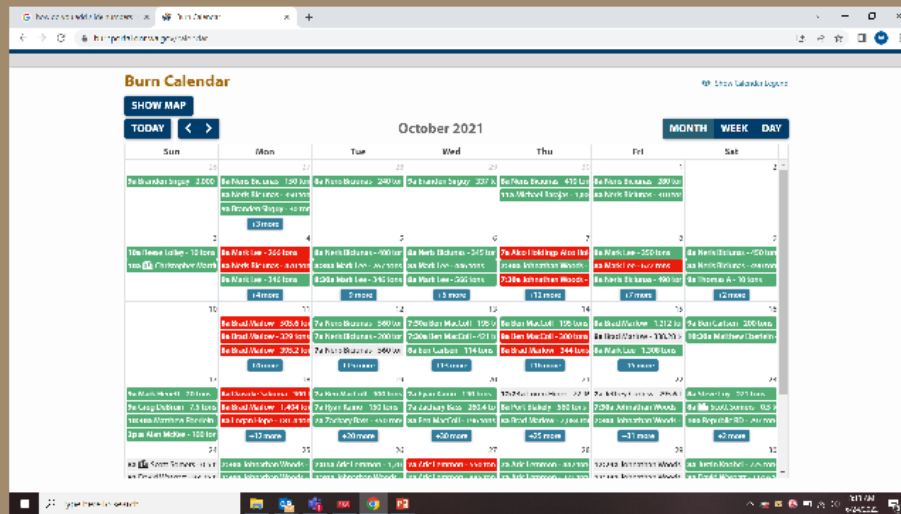


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# Burn Portal



## Allowing weekend burning

- *June 15 – Oct 1 no >100T silvicultural burns are allowed F-Su.*
- *DNR and Ecology experts analyzed the likelihood of 'more burning'*

# Day Before Decision

- *DNR must give a "go/no go" decision, previously the day of ignition.*
- *Burners wanted an earlier decision so resources can be mobilized, or not.*
- *This rule may have been put in place due to the accuracy of modeling in 1998.*
- *UW analyzed the degradation of current models.*



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# Burning within UGAs

- **State Law prohibited burning within UGA's**
- **2019 legislation changed the law to allow silvicultural burning within UGA's**
- **Additional protections were needed to ensure compliance with the law and protection of air quality.**



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# Other pieces

- ***Align Criteria #1 with law***

- Of the 8 “go/no go” criteria, the first did not align with law, in that it requires predictive decision-making to be made on the basis of the likelihood of a smoke intrusion. State law calls for the decision to be made on the likelihood of an exceedance of air quality standards.

- ***Civil Enforceability***

- 2022 Legislation provided the needed clarity for DNR to meet EPA’s requirement of practical enforceability.



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# Upcoming Rulemaking

- **Civil Enforcement – DNR will conduct rulemaking to establish fine criteria**
- **UGA – additional restrictions included in the SMP will supplement existing rule.**



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**DNR will be available during the public hearing.**

**For information from DNR on Smoke Management please contact**

**360.902.1300 or e-mail**

**DNRburnportal@dnr.wa.gov**



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## Testimony from transcript from June 28, 2022

**[00:00:00] Melanie Forster:** Now, we will begin the formal hearing section of the meeting, which we record for public record. At this time, I will also read some information that is required for the record. I'm Melanie Forster, hearing officer for this hearing. This evening, we are to conduct a hearing on the proposal to include the Department of Natural Resources' Smoke Management Plan in Washington State Implementation Plan. Let the record show, it is 7:22 PM on June 28th, 2022, and this hearing is being held by webinar.

Legal notices of this hearing were published in the Yakima Herald-Republic and the Daily Journal of Commerce in the Quincy Valley Post-Register<sup>2</sup> in Spanish and in El Sol de Yakima, also in Spanish on May 25th, 2022, or the closest state afterwards for weekly papers. In addition, display ads advertising the comment period and hearing appeared in the Methow Valley News, Omak Chronicle, Ellensburg Daily Record, Wenatchee World, and in the bilingual newspaper, Tu Decides<sup>3</sup>

. Emails were sent to 517 interested people. Our GovDelivery system also distributed notices to 4 different email lists to a total of about 1,960 subscribers.

Now, we can begin the testimony. Next slide, please. Please click the Raise Hand button to indicate you would like to testify. To locate the Raise Hand function if you join using your web browser, click on the button that says Reactions. There, you'll see several emojis, and at the bottom, will be the Raise Hand option. If you can't find the Hand button, please use the chat to let the meeting host know you wish to testify. If you are participating by phone, press star nine, to indicate you wish to provide testimony.

Eman will help me identify who raised their hand first. I will read your names in the order you raised your hand. When I call your name, your line will be unmuted and you may begin your oral testimony, and please state and spell your name for the record. If you're on the phone and you wish to testify, enter star nine to raise your hand. If you are on the phone, you may begin your testimony when you hear the prompt that your line is unmuted. After you've completed your testimony, you may press star nine again to lower your raised hand.

I'm looking to see if there are any raised hands. Yes, we do have one raised hand. Chris Martin. Don't see anyone else, but you will have an opportunity to raise your hand and provide testimony if you change your mind. Now, we're ready to begin with Chris Martin. You may begin your testimony. Please state and spell your name for the record. Thanks.

**[00:02:58] Chris Martin:** Good evening. Are you able to hear me okay?

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<sup>2</sup> The legal notice in the Quincy Valley Post did not run due to quality problems.

<sup>3</sup> The ads Ecology planned to run in Tu Decides did not post due to a clerical error>

**[00:03:02] Melanie:** Yes, we can hear you just fine.

**[00:03:04] Chris:** Great. My name's Chris Martin, and you wanted me to spell it, is that right?

**[00:03:09] Melanie:** Yes, please.

**[00:03:10] Chris:** It's C-H-R-I-S M-A-R-T-I-N, and I'm going to have two quick testimonies. The first is on behalf of the Washington Prescribed Fire Council of which I'm the chair of. On behalf of the council, we'd like to thank the DNR, Ecology, EPA for moving this plan revision forward. The council had a meeting last week and had wide concurrence to support moving the plan forward. We will be submitting written testimony with a couple of suggestions, mostly around adaptive management. That ends my testimony on behalf of the Washington Prescribed Fire Council.

On behalf of the City of Roslyn, we'd particularly like to thank Ecology, EPA, and DNR for working on the urban growth area issue. The City of Roslyn, because it's a city, is a defacto UGA, even though we are surrounded by forest land that rates us in the top three most at-risk communities from wildfire in the State of Washington, and Prescribed Fire in that forest, which is in the UGA is a critical component of our community protection plan. We'd like to thank everybody for including that and that concludes my testimony. Thank you. **[00:04:44] Melanie:** Great. Thank you. I'm not seeing any raised hands. Iman, are you seeing any indications in chat that anyone wishes to testify and is having technical difficulties with the Raise Hand function?

**[00:05:02] Iman:** No, nothing at this time. I checked the general chat and also the private chat sent to the host directly. There's nothing there. I'm not seeing any other hands raised as well. We can probably give it a couple of seconds [crosstalk] and we'll see if anyone else has anything to say and testify to.

**[00:05:23] Melanie:** Yes. If you changed your mind and now wish to provide testimony, you may raise your hand. This is your opportunity to be heard. We'll give you a few seconds to locate the Raise Hand function.

**[00:05:49] Iman:** Still not seeing anything on.

**[00:05:50] Melanie:** All right. Yes, I'm not seeing anything either. I think we can go on to the next slide and I can give you some instructions on submitting written comments. We accept written comments in the following ways; online, using our online comment form, which is [aq.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=f6Qau](http://aq.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=f6Qau). You can also get the link from Ecology's webpage at [ecology.wa.gov/dnr-sip](http://ecology.wa.gov/dnr-sip). You may also submit comments by postal mail, sent to Department of Ecology, Air Quality Program, Attention, Laurie Hulse-Moyer, PO Box 47600, Olympia, Washington, 98504-7600.

We will use the information you provided us to register for this webinar to let you know about next steps and when the response to comments is available. Please remember to give us your contact information if you wish to receive updates on this action or you can email Laurie Hulse-Moyer at [laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov). That's Laurie, spelled L-



A-U-R-I-E.H-U-L-S-E - M-O-Y-E-R@ecy.wa.gov. All testimony received at this hearing, along with all written comments received or postmarked June 30, 2022, will be part of the official hearing record for this proposal.

Ecology will send a notice about the response to comments publication to everyone that submitted written comments or oral testimony on this proposal using the contact information you provided when you registered for this webinar. The response to comments will, among other things, contain the agency's response to questions and issues of concern that were submitted during the public comment period. If you would like to receive a copy but did not give us your contact information, please contact Laurie Hulse-Moyer at [laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:laurie.hulse-moyer@ecy.wa.gov).

If you are calling in and you wish to receive a copy of the response to comments, please contact Laurie Hulse-Moyer. Next slide, please. Now, I would like to go over the next steps. The next step is to review the comments and make a determination whether to include the Department of Natural Resources Smoke Management Plan in Washington SIP. Ecology director, Laura Watson, will consider the SIP documentation and staff recommendations and make a decision about adopting the smoke management plan and recommending it replace the current plan in the SIP.

If the ecology director adopts the SIP, we will submit the documents to EPA for their approval. They will conduct their own comment period and act on the proposal to replace the older Smoke Management Plan with the new updated version. If any of us can be of further help to you, please do not hesitate to ask or you can contact Laurie Hulse-Moyer if you have any other questions. On behalf of the Department of Ecology, thank you for joining us. I appreciate your cooperation and courtesy. We'll let the record show that this hearing is adjourned at 7:31 PM. Please stop recording now.

# Hearing Officer Summary, for Hearing June 28, 2022



## Hearing Summary Memo

June 29, 2022

**TO:** Laura Watson  
Director  
**FROM:** Melanie Forster  
Hearings Officer

**SUBJECT:** State Implementation Plan (SIP) Public Hearing Summary – Including the Department of Natural Resources Smoke Management Plan in Washington’s SIP

**Program Name:** Air Quality Program

**Project Lead:** Laurie Hulse-Moyer

• **Hearing #1: Webinar only, June 21, 2022:** 15 public attendees; 1 oral comment received  
**Summary of Comments:**

One person provided comments on behalf of the Washington Prescribed Fire Council and City of Roslyn. The comments were supportive of moving forward with including the DNR Smoke Management Plan in the SIP. The commenter expressed appreciation for Ecology and DNR’s consideration of Urban Growth Areas in the plan.

cc: Heather Bartlett  
Kathy Taylor  
Katie Wolt  
Laurie Hulse-Moyer