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Eugene Water & Electric Board completes aerial trimming of transmission line

MCKENZIE BRIDGE: The Eugene Water & Electric Board used a helicopter with saw attachments to trim branches and tree-tops along its 17-mile transmission line corridor that runs from the Carmen-Smith Hydroelectric Project to Cougar Reservoir. The trimming protects power lines from trees, increases reliability and mitigates wildfires.

The Carmen-Smith transmission line is a vital connection to EWEB's electric distribution system and the Bonneville Power Administration's transmission system. The line allows generation from the Carmen project to get onto EWEB's system and serve customers in Eugene and the McKenzie River Valley, or onto BPA's transmission network to be marketed to electric utilities across the West.

By using a helicopter, EWEB was able to limit ground disturbances in forested areas. Aerial trimming provides easier access to trees in remote, mountainous terrain that is difficult for tree crews and their equipment to traverse.

The aerial trimming is quicker, more efficient and less expensive than using ground crews.

EWEB estimates it would take

three tree crews 2.5 years and cost eight times more to trim along its Carmen-Smith line using ground crews due to seasonal wildlife species protection limitations, fire season work restrictions and the inaccessibility of the terrain, said EWEB utility Forester Nate Alexander.

"And tying up three crews for that long would take them away from other important work in town and in the McKenzie Valley," Alexander said.

Heli-Dunn, based in Medford, was the low-bidder on the contract and won the \$125,000 job. Alexander said not only was the company the low bidder, but it also had the best safety record, "So it worked out really well for us."

Heli-Dunn uses two primary tools: A vertical shaft with eight, 30-inch-diameter saw blades attached to it to trim horizontal branches, and a tree-topper that uses two hydraulic grappling claws to hold the tree while a chainsaw blade does the cutting.

"The topper is great for handling fire-damaged trees," Alexander said. "It can cut up to at least 24-inch (diameter) treetops."

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Eight large circular saw blades were slicing through tree branches in October as a helicopter guided them along the Carmen-Smith powerline's right-of-way.

Citizen scientists improve snowpack modeling

Data gathered by backcountry skiers, avalanche forecasters and other snow recreationists and professionals has the potential to greatly improve snowpack modeling, research by the Oregon State University College of Engineering indicates.

The findings, "Assimilation of citizen science data in snowpack modeling using a new snow data set: Community Snow Observations," published in the journal Hydrology and Earth System Sciences, stem from a NASA-funded project known as Community

Snow Observations, or CSO, part of NASA's Citizen Science for Earth Systems program.

The paper is the first documentation of CSO's power to make snowpack modeling better through "organic, opportunistic" data – a notable outcome, said researcher David Hill.

"We have shown citizen scientist contributions are very valuable and that we can do great things in the absence of observational network infrastructure," said Hill, professor of civil engineering at OSU. "In this study, we used a

new data set collected by CSO participants in coastal Alaska to improve snow depth and snow-water equivalent outputs from a snow process model."

In western North America, snow's role in ecosystem function and water resource management is critical, the scientists say, and around the world more than a billion people live in watersheds where snow is a major component of the hydrologic system.

"Snowpack dynamics in the mountains have a big role in connecting atmospheric processes and the hydrologic cycle with downstream water users," said Chris Cosgrove, an OSU graduate student during the research. "At our Alaska field site, hydroelectric power generation is the principal concern, but in the lower 48, many agricultural producers and municipal water systems rely on seasonal snow."

In 2017, NASA enlisted Hill and doctoral student Ryan Crumley, as well as researchers at the University of Washington, the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the Alaska Division of Geological & Geophysical Surveys,

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21 Senators urge administration to restore protections for wolves

Oregon senators were not on the list



U.S. Sens. Cory Booker (D-NJ) and Gary Peters (D-MI) led 21 of their colleagues this week in urging the U.S. Department of Interior to issue an emergency listing to restore temporary federal Endangered Species Act protections to the gray wolf in the western United States. No Northwest senator signed the letter.

The letter comes on the heels of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service initiation of a comprehensive status review of the gray wolf in the western United States as well as the recent enactment of wolf harvest policies in several states, including Idaho and Montana.

"If continued unabated for this

hunting season, these extreme wolf eradication policies will result in the death of hundreds of gray wolves and will further harm federally protected ecosystems like Yellowstone," the Senators wrote to Secretary of Interior Deb Haaland. "The Department of the Interior can prevent these senseless killings, and we urge you to immediately establish emergency interim protections while the Service completes its status review."

"As you know, wolves are an integral component of North American ecosystems. More than 600 scientists have written to request emergency delisting of the North-

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Letters to the Editor

Remembering Veterans

On this Veterans Day, November 11, 2021, we extend our appreciation and thoughts to our active duty military personnel, and we pay tribute to the many millions of veterans who have served our country over the past 246 years. We also wish to memorialize the passing this year of our brother-in-law, Commander Barry Rowe; and acknowledge the other veterans of the Jones and Moskowitz families who served during major wars from the Civil War to the War On Terror.

During the Civil War 1st Sargent John B. Jones (Elizabeth’s grandfather) and Corporal William E. Jones (Elizabeth’s great uncle) were in the 5th New York Cavalry Regiment from upstate New York within the period 1861 to 1865. They fought in many battles, including the Orange Court House, Brandy Station, The Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor and Gettysburg.

Donald’s grandfather, Pvt. Max Moskowitz, served in the U.S. Cavalry (Roughriders) in 1898 during the Spanish American War.

During World War I Alton Christmas Jones (Elizabeth’s father) and William Howard Jones (uncle) served in the USMC and saw action at Belleau Wood, Chateau-Thierry, Aisne-Marne, and Meusse-Argonne. William Howard received the U.S. Silver Star and the French Croix De Guerre medals for his “action at Blanc Mont Ridge on October 3, 1918 where he held off a German attack using a machine pistol.”

Donald’s father, Sidney Moskowitz, was a machinist who repaired ships at the Charlestown, MA Naval Shipyard during WWII. Elizabeth’s cousin, Barney O’Neil, was a U.S. Army infantryman who landed in Normandy in June 1944. Bob Rosenblatt (Donald’s relative) served in the Army at the end of WWII.

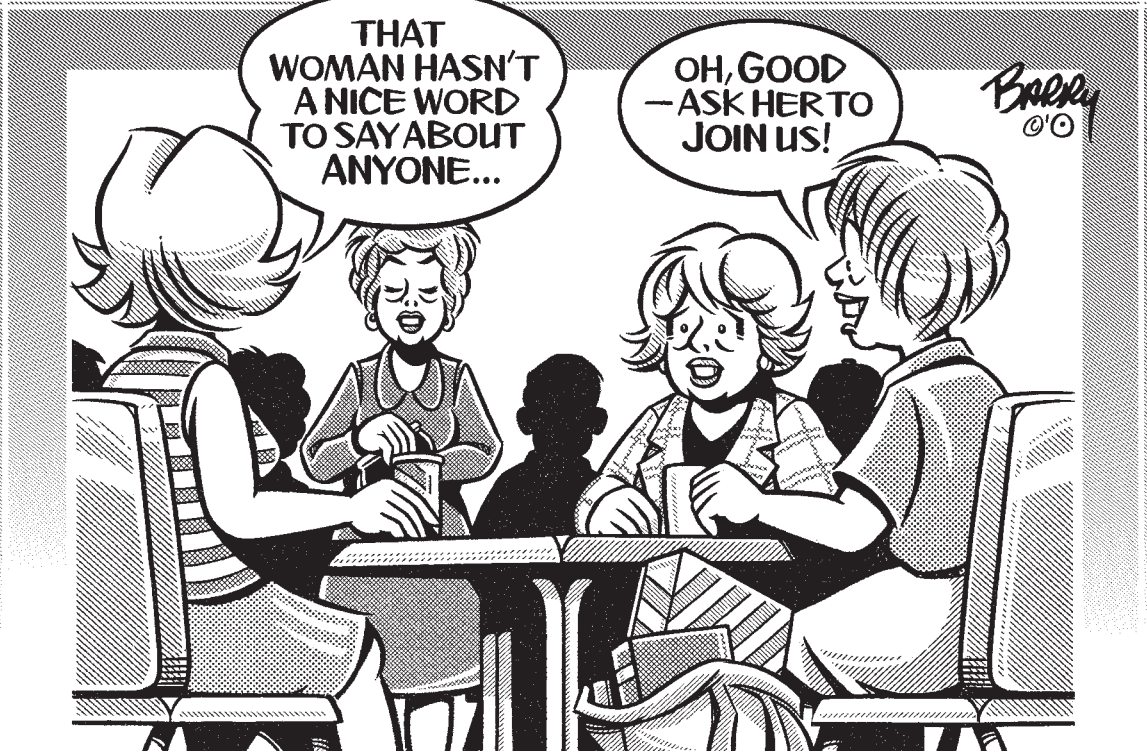
Barry Rowe (Donald’s brother-in-law) was a Commander in the U.S. Navy who served during the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

John Jones and Edward Jones (Elizabeth’s brothers) served in the late 50s and early to mid 60s, John U.S. Army and Edward, USMC. Donald Moskowitz was an E5 in the Navy in the 50s and then was a Vietnam era veteran in the 60s serving as a Navy officer on 13 ships. Robert Nichol (Elizabeth’s cousin) was a platoon leader in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was in the 1st Infantry Division and the 101st Infantry Division. During his Vietnam service he was awarded the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, and two Purple Hearts.

Michael Gerard (Donald’s and Elizabeth’s son-in-law) was an Airman First Class, USAF in the early 80s. Jeffrey Ammons (Donald’s nephew) served as an Army officer during the War On Terror.

We must continue to remember all of our veterans who have served our country in times of peace and war.

Elizabeth (Jones) Moskowitz
Donald Moskowitz
Londonderry NH



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to recruit citizen scientists and incorporate their data into computer models that generate important snowpack information for scientists, engineers and land and watershed managers.

Community Snow Observations kicked off in February 2017 and since then thousands of data entries have been made. Led by Hill, Gabe Wolken of Alaska Fairbanks and Anthony Arendt of the University of Washington, the project first focused primarily on Alaskan snowpacks. Researchers then recruited citizen scientists in the Pacific Northwest and in the Rocky Mountain region.

The work is ongoing and getting involved in Community Snow Observations is easy. A smartphone, the free Mountain Hub application and an avalanche probe with graduated markings in centimeters are the only tools needed.

As citizen scientists make their way through the mountains, they use their avalanche probes to take snow depth readings that they then upload into Mountain Hub, an app for the outdoor community.

That’s all there is to it. “We’ve now taken our modeling work operational,” Hill said. “We serve up real-time grids on snow information at many sites across the United States, including

the central Cascades in Oregon, at mountainsnow.org. The general public can go there and view real-time information on snow, snow changes and other things like satellite measurements of snow.”

In the recently published research, Hill and Crumley, who’s now at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, teamed with Wolken, Arendt, Cosgrove and OSU graduate student Christina Aragon to look at how snowpack models for the Thompson Pass region of Alaska’s Chugach Mountains improved when citizen science measurements were incorporated.

“Improvements were seen in 62% to 78% of the simulations depending on the model year,” Aragon said. “Our results suggest that even modest measurement efforts by citizen scientists have the potential to improve efforts to model snowpack processes in high mountain environments.”

Information about snow dis-

tribution reaches scientists from many sources, including telemetry stations and remote sensing via light detection and ranging, or LIDAR, but the simplicity of the citizen science data gathering approach allows for many gaps to be filled, the scientists say.

“Snow depth measurements can be made accurately and quickly by anyone with a measuring device,” Crumley said. “The potential of mobilizing a new type of data set collected by people like snowshoers and snow machiners is significant because those folks often go to remote mountain environments where so far there haven’t been many observations recorded. All of those people can gather data at scales much greater than the capacity of a small group of scientists.”

Also collaborating on this research was Katreen Jones of the Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys.

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By using a helicopter, EWEB is able to complete the work in about seven days. Heli-Dunn worked mostly afternoons from October 19th through the 23rd to avoid morning fog, Alexander said. The company completed the job – trimming about 12.5 miles of the 17-mile transmission line – on October 25th.

EWEB is likely to employ the less expensive and faster aerial trimming in other areas of its service territory in the future. And with climate change bringing hotter, drier summers and longer and more intense wildfire seasons that limit when ground crews can prune, aerial trimming will become more popular.

Letters to the Editor



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WEATHER REPORT									
READINGS TAKEN AT THE US ARMY CORPS COUGAR DAM					READINGS TAKEN AT EWEB LEABURG POWERHOUSE				
Date	High	Low	Rain	Releases	Date	High	Low	Rain	Riverflow
10/26	52	44	0.56	530 cfs	10/26	58	45	0.20	3,690 cfs
10/27	55	48	2.08	460 cfs	10/27	55	47	0.26	3,430 cfs
10/28	63	49	0.14	460 cfs	10/28	58	49	0.25	3,360 cfs
10/29	57	50	0.98	460 cfs	10/29	70	53	0.48	3,330 cfs
10/30	60	43	0.01	470 cfs	10/30	55	44	0.11	3,890 cfs
10/31	56	41	0	470 cfs	10/31	63	44	0	3,380 cfs
11/1	50	42	0.57	560 cfs	11/1	63	45	0.13	3,100 cfs

Sheriff's Report

Oct. 23: 11:30 a.m: Threat, Harassment - 88900 block, Easy Ln. Caller reported that two known subjects were ‘bad mouthing’ the caller and sending threats via text message.

1:04 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 39500 blk, McK. Hwy. While walking along a trail the caller found an urn and picture.

11:25 p.m: 55400 blk, McK River Dr. Caller reports that a former resident came to his address and put some of his property in a tote. The former resident left when confronted.

Oct. 24: 2:18 a.m: Theft - Terwilliger Hot Springs. Caller reported that the catalytic converter was stolen from the caller’s vehicle while parked at the Terwilliger Hot Springs.

5:03 a.m: Alarm - 39200 blk, McK. Hwy.

9:29 a.m: Fire, Down Line - 38200 blk, McK. Hwy.

12:00 p.m: Theft - 55400 blk, McK. River Dr.

4:13 p.m: Civil Service - 91500 blk, Dearborn Island Rd.

4:28 p.m: Civil Service - 54600 blk, Caddis Ln.

Oct. 25: 11:57 a.m: Suspicious Conditions - Wendling Rd. Caller discovered a safe dumped at the end of the road. The safe was broken open.

4:05 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 51700 blk, Blue River Dr.

4:10 p.m: Unattended Boat – Bellinger Landing.

5:56 p.m: Threat, Harassment - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

8:08 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

8:07 p.m: Assist Fire Dept. - 44200 blk, McK. Hwy.

Oct. 26: 11:11 a.m: Unlawful Use of Vehicle - 43900 blk, McK. Hwy.

1:07 p.m: Disoriented Subject - 42000 blk, Holden Creek Ln.

1:22 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

3:04 p.m: Civil Service - 8600 blk, Thurston Rd.

3:32 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 8600 blk, Thurston Rd.

Oct. 27: 12:00 a.m: Traffic Hazard - Marcola Rd. & Log Creek Rd.

2:39 a.m: Injured Animal - Marcola Rd. Milepost 4.

12:29 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Marcola Rd. Mp. 4.

12:33 p.m: Civil Service - 8600 blk, Thurston Rd.

1:00 p.m: Assist, Citizen Contact - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

2:49 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 45600 blk, McK. Hwy.

6:04 p.m: Disturbance, Dispute - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

10:16 p.m: Tree Down - 55600 blk, McK. River Dr.

11:55 p.m: Incomplete 911 Call - Lat: 44.172560 Long: - 122.857769.

Oct. 28: 12:53 p.m: Unattended Boat – Bellinger Landing.

1:45 p.m: Assist, Citizen Contact - 38800 blk, McK. Hwy.

3:11 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Twin Firs Rd.

3:29 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Ross Ln.

4:00 p.m: Suspicious Vehicle - 44500 blk, McK. Hwy.

5:15 p.m: Criminal Trespass - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd.

5:56 p.m: Assist, Follow Up - 55000 blk, McK. River Dr.

6:20 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

Oct. 29: 10:20 a.m: Suspicious Conditions - McK. River Dr. & McK. Hwy.

10:28 a.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 44800 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

12:06 p.m: Violation of Restraining Order - 45800 blk, McK. Hwy.

3:03 p.m: Illegal Burn - McK. River Dr. & Mill Creek Rd.

3:27 p.m: Vehicle Stop - Goodpasture Rd. Mp. 5.

3:31 p.m: Illegal Parking - Goodpasture Rd. Mp. 5.

5:24 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. Mp. 49.

5:35 p.m: Suspicious Vehicle - Mountain View Ln. & McK. Hwy.

6:20 p.m: Animal At Large - 88400 blk, Stephens Rd.

7:12 p.m: Threat, Harassment - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

7:37 p.m: Vandalism, Littering - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy.

Oct. 30: 7:31 a.m: Welfare Check - 93100 blk, Ewing Rd.

10:59 a.m: Assault - 36600 blk, Parsons Creek Rd.

11:02 a.m: Burglary - 44800 blk, McK. Hwy.

12:13 p.m: Criminal Trespass - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

1:28 p.m: Disturbance, Menacing - Shotgun Creek Rd. & Marcola Rd.

3:04 p.m: Criminal Trespass - 46100 blk, Goodpasture Rd.

3:11 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired

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State Police Report

Oct. 27: 02:33: Driving Under the Influence, Alcohol – Hwy. 126E, Milepost 7.7. Stopped a driver for an observed violation and reckless driving. The driver exhibited signs of impairment, consented to Field Sobriety Tests and clues of impairment were observed. The driver was arrested and subsequently transported to Springfield Municipal Jail where she provided a BAC of .19%. The driver was cited in lieu of custody for DUII and Reckless Driving. The vehicle was towed for community caretaking. Involved: red Ford Ecosport, 24-year-old female from Springfield.

McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Oct. 25: 20:02: 44000 block, McK. Hwy. Medical, Trauma. Patient Assessed, Refusal.

Oct. 26: 5:52: 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

7:15: 39000 blk, Hendricks Park Rd Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

9:41: 88000 blk, Tiki Ln. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

13:25: 42000 blk, Holden Creek Ln. Medical, General. Patient Refusal.

Oct. 27: 7:18: 50000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Oct. 28: 15:28: 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, Trauma. Patient

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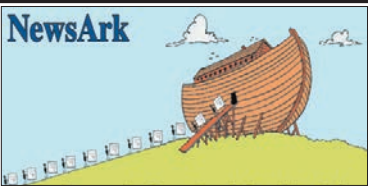
Upper McKenzie Fire/Rescue

Oct. 27: 07:17: Medical – 50000 block, McK. Hwy. Female, Conscious, Ineffective Breathing.

Oct. 29: 18:38: Medical – 56000 blk, N. Bank Rd. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

Oct. 31: 16:29: Medical – 54000 blk, McK. River Dr. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

The Upper McK. Fire District board of directors will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 17th, at the McK. Fire Station, 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge, at 7 p.m.



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Emergency declared in 24 counties

ASTORIA: Citing damages estimated to total more than \$7 million to Oregon's State Highway System on Friday, Governor Ted Kulongoski declared a State of Emergency in Benton, Coos, Clatsop, Columbia, Crook, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Wasco, Washington, Wheeler and Yantall counties due to severe weather and flooding. This declaration authorizes the governor to pursue federal emergency relief funding through the Federal Highway Administration for repair to Oregon's roads and transportation infrastructure in these 24 counties caused by severe weather events. The governor said he directed the Oregon Emergency Management to implement the State's Emergency Operations Plan and to coordinate with state and local agencies impacted by the severe weather to assess any and all damages so that Oregon can ultimately leverage as many federal dollars available under federal emergency and highway systems for the rebuilding and repairing of public infrastructure damaged by flooding, landslides, debris flows, erosion and wind damage.

Slide blocking Forest Road 19 near Terwilliger Hot Springs

BLU RIVER: The northern end of U.S. Forest Road 19, the Astoria-Hood River Drive, has been completely blocked by a slide about 1 mile from the junction of Highway 126, the slide is estimated to be nearly 500 cubic yards of wood, rock and soil. Officials estimate the slide will be removed and the road re-opened by January 31, conditions permitting. Because of the slide, access to Terwilliger Hot Springs, about two miles beyond the road blockage, is restricted. "Hot springs users should plan to visit Terwilliger after the slide has been removed," according to John Harpo, Developed Sites Manager for the McKenzie River Ranger District. "Safe parking is not available; heavy equipment and crews require unimpeded access to the slide to begin debris removal as soon as possible." Visitors are reminded to use extra caution when driving forest roads during wet weather conditions, and to report road hazards. Road 19 was closed two weeks ago by a large debris slide near Oxbow, Oregon. The southern segment of the road has since been re-opened; however, Road 19 is closed by a seasonal snow blockade at Box Canyon, south of Terwilliger Hot Springs.

Wet storm knocks out power poles

UPPER MCKENZIE VALLEY: Wet and heavy snow made Monday a dark and dreary time for an estimated 200 to 250 Lane Electric customers. Outages starting about 7 a.m. extended east from Blue River until after midnight. After isolated customers on Horne Creek Road were still awaiting restoration of service on Tuesday and more cooperative residents were affected when crews had to replace a cracked pole near milepost 52 later that day. Utility workers found the outage a little out of the ordinary. Following a fairly significant night of wet clearing program in 2005 it was thought more debris areas had been trimmed back. They had, but large trees that fell from outside that safety zone tripped into it, splitting several poles and breaking power line cross-arms in Lane County. The recent weeks of heavy

County commissioners plan to revisit charter amendment

EUGENE: The Lane County Board of Commissioners has tentatively targeted the November 2006 election for a proposed income tax charter amendment for public safety services. Commissioners voted unanimously last Wednesday to revise Lane County Charter Amendment. The revised charter amendment will be brought back before Commissioners the second week of February for further discussion. During the public hearing, commissioners and citizens cited the need for increased public awareness of the public safety system. BACKGROUND Due to property tax reform and a decline in federal timber receipts in the 1990s, the public safety system in Lane County has had to learn to do more with fewer resources. The system now provides law safety to citizens at a

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Larry Sullivan's shanghaiing syndicate

By Finn J.D. John

In the mid-1890s, ship captains and sailors' boardinghouse owners were like partners in crime — both busily and happily swindling sailors out of what little money they had and were owed.

But in the mid-1890s, something happened to upset this cozy arrangement: One particular "boarding master" — in one particular West Coast port city — figured out how to double-cross his co-conspirators, and suddenly the ship captains were left out in the cold.

Here's how the scam had been working, up until boardinghouse owner and shanghai artist Larry Sullivan and his business partners turned it on its ear:

The waterfront conspiracy

When a ship came into port, representatives from the local boardinghouses — "runners" — would go out and meet it, breaking the law by rowing out and climbing on before it had even tied up. They'd hand out cigars and bottles to the sailors and invite them to a welcoming party at the boardinghouse.

Naturally, most of the lads didn't need much persuading. After all, they'd been at sea for weeks. So, over the side they'd go.

The captain would watch them go and smile to himself. He knew that as long as the men were ashore, he didn't have to feed them or pay them wages. He also knew that most of them would not be around when it was time to ship out, and he'd be able to keep all the wages that were owed to them. That's because it was standard procedure in many nations' ships, especially British ones, to not pay the sailors until the cruise was over — to discourage them from deserting along the way. When they did desert, the captain got to keep all the money they'd earned for the entire voyage up to that point.

So, under the old system, when it came time to sail, the sailors who couldn't be found would be replaced with new hires supplied by the same boardinghouse owners who had lured the old ones away. The boardinghouse bills would be paid with an advance against the new sailors' wages, and the skipper would pony up a bonus — popularly called "blood



Robert Reid publisher

An unidentified British grain ship at the wharf, photographed in 1904. Ships like this were the primary customers for Larry Sullivan and the shanghaiers' syndicate he formed.

money" — as the price of the boardinghouse operator's services in making the sailor available.

This system was like a quasi-criminal conspiracy to rob the sailors, and it made both parties rich. The skipper got to keep all the deserters' pay, which could add up to thousands of dollars all together; the boardinghouse operator got to charge virtually whatever he wanted, and to collect a big blood-money bonus to boot.

What Larry figured out was that there was money to be made by double-crossing the captains — essentially, robbing the other robbers. And he worked out an arrangement for how to do it.

The Shanghai Syndicate

First, he disciplined the unruly Portland shanghaiing scene into something like an informal cartel — a sort of diabolical labor union, with himself as the director. Any

local boardinghouse operator unwilling to join and play by the rules would find himself, as historian Barney Blalock wryly puts it, "in a great deal of physical discomfort" thanks to the bare-knuckle boxer's well-callused fists. This would ensure that the captains had to deal with his cartel, whether they wanted to or not.

Then he and the other boardinghouse men started coaching sailors to commit some minor offense that would land them in police court: petty theft, perhaps, or public drunkenness. Larry's friends in high places would arrange for the sailors to draw a little jail time for whatever they'd done. Then, when the time came for the ship to leave, the skipper would look for his men, and find that they'd all been picked up on goofy petty charges, all at more or less the same time, and had

all just started serving 30-day jail sentences. Unless he was willing to wait a whole month for them to get out of jail, the captain would have to hire a new crew.

When he went to do that, he'd find the price was unusually steep. He'd shop around a little, but every crimp in town was demanding the same price; Larry had made sure nobody was undercutting the cartel.

But that wasn't where the real money was being made. The real money was the crew's wages, money the skippers had formerly been able to keep. The thing was, the skipper only got to keep it if the crew member had deserted and couldn't be found. If the crew member was ready, willing and able to report for duty, but was legally prevented from doing so because he was locked up in the local hoosegow, the skipper did not get to keep those wages, because the sailor was not a deserter. He had to either stay in port until the sailor was released from custody, or leave his wages behind for him.

So not only did this unfortunate skipper have to pony up hundreds of dollars in blood money to hire a new crew, he had to pay out thousands of dollars in other people's money that he had been expecting to, essentially, embezzle.

It was great for the sailors, though. Although Larry took a healthy cut of the cash as a fee for his services, they actually were getting paid part — maybe even most — of what was legitimately owed to them.

Howls of protest from the captains

Of course, the captains were furious, and fought back as best they could. But they soon figured out their bargaining position was not a strong one. Skippers who resisted soon found themselves entangled in a world of expensive and time-consuming problems, and every day their ships were delayed in port cost them hundreds of dollars in demurrage charges and opportunity costs.

One skipper swore out a complaint against Larry Sullivan for boarding his ship without permission. Larry was found guilty

Shanghaiing syndicate - Page 8



By Slim Randles

Steve was out in the Mule Barn parking lot the other day, tightening something with his wrenches under the hood of his pickup truck. The rest of us stood around, looking wise, and sipping coffee.

"You sure it ain't the solenoid?" said Bert.

"I don't think they make them anymore," said Doc.

"It's usually the solenoid," Bert said, with finality.

Out of self defense, Steve emerged from his cavern of wires and metal long enough to say, "Didn't I see you have a goat now, Bert?"

Bert nodded. "That's why I hate allergies."

We waited. We stared.

"Well you see, Maizie's allergic to cow's milk, so we bought Ernestine for her."

"And Ernestine is?"

"The goat ... right. So what happens is somehow I have to milk Ernestine. Twice a day. We wanted to go overnight to the city last week. Ever try to find someone who will babysit and milk a goat?"

"I won't do it," said Dud.

"Neither will anyone else," said Bert, sadly. "So we either stay home, or take the goat with us. Ever try to find a motel that takes goats?"

"Not recently," Doc said.

"So we stayed home. Oh, it wouldn't be so bad if she liked me..."

"Maizie?"

"Ernestine. See, she waits until I have her almost milked out, then she'll stick her foot in the bucket and kick it all over me. The other day, I was standing in her pen and talking with Mrs. Gonzales next door, and Ernestine came running up behind me and ran right between my legs."

"Did you fall?"

"Of course. And Mrs. Gonzales tried not to laugh, but it didn't work."

"Bert," said Doc, "why don't you just buy goat's milk at the store?"

"Maizie says she needs it fresh, because it's better. You guys ever notice how a goat has horns and cloven hooves?"

We nodded.

"I don't think I need to add anything to that," said Bert.

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Gardening Tips

By Kym Pokorny



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Sweep wood ash from the fireplace to the garden

With last year’s storms, particularly the substantial ice event, there’s plenty of firewood around. Many homeowners wonder what to do with all the ashes left behind after the flames in the fireplace die down.

As you clean the fireplace, do your plants a favor and sprinkle the ashes in the garden instead of throwing them in the garbage.

Because wood ash is derived from plant material, it contains most of the 13 essential nutrients

the soil supplies for plant growth, according to Oregon State University Extension Service experts.

When wood burns, nitrogen and sulfur are lost as gas, but calcium, potassium, magnesium and other trace elements remain. The carbonates and oxides in the ash are valuable liming agents that can raise pH and help neutralize acid soils.

Where soils are acidic and low in potassium, wood ash is useful to most garden plants. Do not use ash if your soil pH is alkaline (more than 7.0). Do not apply wood ash to acid-loving plants such as

blueberries, rhododendrons and azaleas.

Lawns that need lime and potassium also can benefit from wood ash. Apply no more than 10 to 15 pounds of ash per 1,000 square feet of lawn.

First, test your soil’s pH with a simple kit available at garden centers and home improvement stores.

Keep in mind that wood ash is alkaline, which means it has a high pH level. You should use the same precautions with it as when handling other strongly alkaline materials, such as household bleach.

Among OSU Extension suggestions:

Wear eye protection, gloves and a dust mask.

Do not scatter ashes in the wind. Apply to moist soil and rake lightly to mix.

Do not use ash from burning trash, cardboard, coal or pressure-treated, painted or stained wood. These materials can contain potentially harmful substances. For example, the glue in cardboard boxes and paper bags contains boron, an element that can inhibit plant growth at excessive levels.

Never leave wood ash in lumps or piles. If it is concentrated in one place, excessive salt from the ash can leach into the soil and create a harmful environment for plants.

Do not apply ash at time of seeding. Ash contains too many salts for seedlings.



Country Kitchen

By Mary Emma Allen



CASSEROLES FOR WINTER MEALS

Casseroles form tasty and hearty meals for winter days. This type of dish also is generally easy to prepare and can be made ahead, then cooked as needed. Prepared with various combinations of meat, poultry, fish, eggs, noodles, rice, potatoes, any variety of vegetables, and sauces, casseroles are ingenious ways to stretch your meat or use up leftovers.

The ancient Egyptians, so researchers claim, were the first to try their hands at preparing casserole-like dishes. The French are credited with elevating this type of combination dish into a gourmet treat.

fellowship luncheon.

Cook 2 packages frozen broccoli spears (or equal amount of fresh broccoli) until just tender. Lay broccoli in buttered 13 x 9-inch baking dish. Take cooked skinless chicken breasts and cut into bite-size pieces. Lay over broccoli.

Mix together 1 can cream of mushroom soup, 1 can cream of chicken soup, 1/4 cup grated cheddar cheese, 1/2 cup sour cream, 1 small can sliced mushrooms (or equivalent amount of fresh mushrooms). Pour over chicken and broccoli.

Bake at 350 degrees F. about 30 minutes or until bubbly. Serves 8 to 10.

(For less fat, use low fat soups, cheese, and sour cream.)

MEXICAN HAMBURGER - Brown 1 pound ground beef (or turkey) and drain off excess fat. Mix beef, 1 small-diced onion, and 1 can chili con carne without beans. Spoon into the center of 10 flour tortillas, cover with grated cheese (whatever amount you desire), and roll up.

Place tortillas, folded side down, in a 13x9-inch baking dish.

Mix together 1 can cream of mushroom soup, 1 can tomato soup, and 1/2 soup can of water. Pour soup over tortillas and top with more grated cheese, as you desire.

Bake at 350 degrees until hot and bubbly, about 40 minutes.

(c) Mary Emma Allen

(Mary Emma Allen writes from her New Hampshire; E-mail: me.allen@juno.com)

Sheriff's Report

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- 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

4:50 p.m: Citizen Contact - 44800 blk, McK. Hwy.

6:16 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy.& Holden Creek Ln.

6:40 p.m: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy.& Holden Creek Ln.

7:15 p.m: Citizen Contact - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd.

7:31 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - Mohawk area.

Oct. 31: 12:38 a.m: Alarm - 42700 blk, McK. Hwy.

8:01 a.m: Elder Abuse - 49900 blk, McK. Hwy.

9:35 a.m: Fraud - 38800 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

10:30 a.m: Found Property -

La Lone Rd. & Tree Farm Rd.

1:49 p.m: Injured Animal - 36400 blk, McGowan Creek Rd.

4:30 p.m: Assist Motorist - McK. Hwy. Mp37.

6:11 p.m: Vehicle Stop - La Lone Rd. & Tree Farm Rd.

Nov. 1: 12:24 p.m: Fraud - 43700 blk, McK. Hwy.

2:41 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 44900 blk, Leaburg Dam Rd.

6:28 p.m: Elder Abuse - 41900 blk, McK. Hwy.

8:21 p.m: Motor Vehicle Accident, No Injury - Marcola Rd. & Sunderman Rd.

8:37 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 45800 blk, McK. Hwy.

8:39 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - Goodpasture Rd. & McK. Hwy.

8:44 p.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - Goodpasture Rd. & McK. Hwy.

10:21 p.m: Alarm - 43100 blk, McK. Hwy.

Quote of the Week

“Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear to be bright until you hear them speak.”

Anonymous

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Living with Beavers



Beavers play an important role as ecosystem engineers in aquatic and riparian ecosystems. The benefits of beavers and the dams they build include raising the water table to mitigate the effects of drought, supporting growth of riparian vegetation, controlling downstream flooding, improving water quality through filtering sediment, and creating wetland habitat for fish, birds, and other wildlife.

Beavers have also been known to get into conflicts with landowners when they destroy trees and shrubs and when their dams cause flooding in unwanted areas. Because beavers are so beneficial for our water and landscape, the Pure Water Partners (PWP) program encourages landowners to learn about ways to coexist with these furry neighbors. Simple actions like choosing plant locations carefully, protecting landscape trees and shrubs with wire cages, and fencing off sensitive areas can go a long way to ensure a good

neighbor relationship.

The PWP recognizes that browse pressure from beaver and other wildlife may inhibit or delay successful plant establishment. This is why we plant at a high density, which allows for a certain percentage of plant mortality. If wildlife browse exceeds 35% of the total planting area, we can implement other management approaches, such as installing plastic vexar or mesh tubing held in place with a bamboo stake.

If you are interested in learning more about living with beaver, here are some other resources:

https://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/living_with/docs/beaver.pdf

<https://www.beavercoalition.org/>

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Community Notes

November 5
Spaghetti Feed

The Walterville Grange will be holding its annual spaghetti feed once again after missing a year due to COVID. Menu items include all-you-can eat spaghetti with red meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, cookies, and drinks on Friday, November 5, from 5-7 p.m. at the Walterville Community Center, 39259 Camp Creek Road. Face mask policies will be followed. Canned goods for the

November 15
McKenzie Fire District Board

12:00pm - 1:00pm. at Leaburg Training Center, 42870 McKenzie Hwy, in Leaburg. 541-896-3311.

Nov. 15 - Springfield School Board Meeting

7:00pm - 8:30pm. The Board of Directors meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month (except July). Regular business meetings begin at 7 pm on the 2nd Monday and work sessions are generally held at 4 pm on the 4th Monday of the month in the Administration Building, 640 A St, Springfield.

November 17
Upper McK Fire Board

7 - 8:00pm. 5 Upper McKenzie Fire District Board of Directors monthly meeting. At the fire station, 6578 McKenzie Hwy, 541-822-3479

November 18 - Leaburg Food Pantry

11am - 5pm. McKenzie Bible Fellowship, 45061 McKenzie Hwy.

Nov. 6, 13, 20 & 27
A Dime At A Time

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Leaburg Store, 42840 McKenzie Hwy. Blue River Bottle Boys Collection/Sorting - Saturday morning sorting sessions every Saturday. Donations can be dropped off at the Leaburg Store.

Become a Master Gardener in 2022!

The OSU Extension Master Gardener program is training new community educators in 2022, who will help provide advice and support for Oregon's growing community of gardeners. Due to the COVID pandemic, training new Master Gardeners was put on hold for 2021. Master Gardener volunteer training is conducted by local county OSU Extension offices, with support and guidance by the statewide office. Master Gardener trainees will be able to access online classes and participate in local, in-person workshops. Fees for the training program have been slightly reduced, and many local Master Gardener Associations are making scholarships available to partially cover the costs of training. In Lane County, weekly online courses will run from January 31 through March 31, followed by outdoor hands-on workshops between April and June (various dates). The cost of the Master Gardener Volunteer training is \$200 tuition plus a \$150 refundable deposit (deposit refunded upon completion of MG volunteer commitment). To apply go to the OSU Extension Service Lane County webpage (<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/mg/lane/become-master-gardener-volunteer>) and download the application form, call 541-344-5859 for assistance, or drop by the OSU Extension office at 996 Jefferson St. in Eugene. Application deadline is November 15, 2021.



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Direct Answers

By Wayne & Tamara Mirchell

Closer Than You Think

Well, that’s it! I have had my heart broken for the last time. I give up on love. I’m sick and tired of women. One minute they love you and the next minute they don’t. I just don’t get it, so I give up.

I have thought about this for a long time. Who needs this garbage? Well I did, but not anymore. Thanks to everyone I gave my heart to and who threw it in the trash.

If it is meant to be that I spend the rest of my life alone, then so be it. Being alone and happy with myself has to be better than being with someone and knowing sooner or later she will break my heart. So I give up!

Ray

Ray, I hear your anger and frustration loud and clear. I’ve been there. Everywhere you go you see happy couples. It seems like you’re the only guy in the world who doesn’t have someone.

Let’s go to the pub and have a brew. Just you and me. Good riddance to women! Who needs ‘em! We’ll talk sports and politics and bore ourselves silly, because deep down we know what we

really want and need is love. Deep down we know we’ll never give up, because to give up on love is to give up on life.

You talk about falling out of love. You fall out of boats, but you don’t fall out of love. You fall out of like. Like is that temporary thing, the feeling of newness, infatuation, and sexual attraction. It feels great while it lasts, but when the negatives outweigh the positives, it’s over. And when it’s over, it feels like you fell out of a boat.

The real deal isn’t like that. When you get to the point where you’re not playing games with anyone on any level. When you get to the point where you’ve had it. When you get to the point where you are just living your life, doing what’s in you to do. That’s when the right person can finally see you and you can see them. That’s when you find the love that lasts a lifetime.

That’s where you are right now. That’s how it happened for me.

Wayne

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American Life in Poetry

By Kwame Dawes

Humor in poetry does not always soften the blow secreted within a poem. Michelle Peñaloza knows that a tiny grenade sits in the middle of “Doppelgänger”, a seemingly passing comment, but one full of all the vulnerability, shame and complexity of family lore and our culture’s painful truth: “it’s more likely she is/racist”. But there is, in the poem, a tenderness that lies in the poet’s appreciation that her “tita” is more than this. She is also a myth, a savior, a queen, and more, she is tired, and in this she is Oprah’s “double walker”.

Doppelgänger

By Michelle Peñaloza

It upsets my tita that people think she looks like Oprah. She says she wants to be a queen in her own right. I think it’s more likely she is racist. Or maybe she doesn’t want the rest of us to expect a car (!) and a car (!) and a car(!).

Or maybe my tita is tired of being a savior and a myth.

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A Moment in Oregon History

By Rick Steber
(www.ricksteber.com)

November 4 - Mountain men told the Nez Perce Indians about the existence of the white man’s Book Of Heaven. The Indians called a council and sent four chiefs East to discover the truth of the mountain men’s boast. Along the way two of the Indians died but the other two reached

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St. Louis in 1833. Here, it was reported, they asked to see the Book Of Heaven. An account of this meeting was published in a number of religious publications and this provided the spark that fired the imagination of many religious leaders. They called for missionaries to bring the word of God to the native people living west of the Rocky Mountains. The missionaries were sent but very few Indians ever converted to Christianity and the missionary movement was deemed to be a dismal failure.

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Personal

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Robert Reid publisher
The Portland harbor, along the Willamette River, as it appeared in 1904. The bridge shown halfway across the river is the old Steel Bridge, shown drawn for shipping to pass.

and fined \$200. But when it came time for that skipper to sail out of port, he found his entire crew was staying at Larry’s place, and the price for replacement sailors was \$117 a head. Larry more than made up his \$200 fine.

Another skipper sent one of his officers on a coastwise steamer to San Francisco to hire a crew down there. Larry got wind and sent a runner down after him, probably on a train; the runner slipped aboard the steamer and almost managed to convince the entire freshly hired crew to desert en route. When this didn’t work, Larry had the captain arrested on a specious kidnapping charge, delaying sailing for weeks. By the time the frustrated captain finally got under way, he’d paid considerably more for his crew than he would have by simply swallowing his pride and paying Larry’s rate.

An agent for the U.S. Department of Justice tried to help solve the problem, building a case against Larry. He found, to his dismay, that all five of the ship

captains he’d lined up weren’t willing to stick around Portland for the months it would take to go to court.

International outrage

It was a slick operation, and it generated a chorus of international protests from the British, French and German embassies. You’ll find plenty of historians who blithely assume those protests were at the shameful treatment of sailors in Portland, and the danger of shanghaiing on its waterfront; this is, frankly, naïve. The embassies didn’t care about the sailors, nor about shanghaiing. They cared about their ship captains, who considered themselves robbed because they had to pay their sailors.

But in spite of all the wailing and gnashing of teeth, the Portland system didn’t come to an end until 1904, when Larry Sullivan quit.

The end of an era

Larry quit, almost certainly, because a new crusading and reforming spirit was in the air. The Lewis and Clark Exposition was slated for the following year, and

Portlanders were a little concerned about the fact that the roughest and most unseemly part of Portland was clustered around the railroad depot. Incoming visitors would see drunks vomiting in the gutter, crooked gamblers at work in faro banks, prostitutes leaning out of little windows on cushions and cooing at them, ruffians punching each other and who knows what else.

Plus, steamships were increasingly taking over Portland’s ship traffic, and steamships didn’t need crimps. Their crew quarters were much nicer, the work was far less demanding and crew members liked working on them. Nobody ever deserted from a steamer.

Correctly, Larry figured out that the good times were over for good. He left for Goldfield, Nevada — where he got together with a swindler named George Graham Rice to set up one of the most audacious and successful gold-mining swindles in the history of the West. When that collapsed, he eventually wandered back to Oregon, and died in Portland in 1918 — just 55 years old.

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Senators want scrutiny of Indian School

Dept. of the Interior to investigate student achievement, finances

By Alex Baumhardt
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It’s been six years since the Chemawa Indian School in Salem was last reviewed by the federal Department of the Interior, which found then that “the school did not have an adequate plan in place to ensure students’ educational achievement.”

Now U.S. Sens. Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden have asked the department to look into what progress has been made in the six years since, and to demand greater transparency of the school’s finances.

Chemawa opened in 1880 as a residential boarding school, founded to forcefully assimilate the state’s Native children to the culture of white colonists. It is one of four such schools left in the U.S. and is the oldest continuously operated one, though its purpose has changed.

The school is geared towards honoring unique tribal cultures according to the school’s website. There were 337 students during the 2019-20 school year, the most recent year for which the National Center for Education Statistics has the school’s enrollment data.

The 2015 report recommended major changes at the school, including a comprehensive assessment to identify student needs to achieve academic success and to monitor progress. It recommended the school prioritize its resources to do so.

Wyden and Merkley wrote in a letter Monday to Mark Greenblatt, inspector general at the Depart-

ment of the Interior that “we have continued to receive complaints about alleged financial mismanagement at the school.”

They wrote that such allegations were hard to evaluate given the schools “opaque financial practices” that includes a lack of detailed financial audits of the school by the Bureau of Indian Education. The Department of the Interior oversees the Bureau of Indian Education .

The senators want to know whether school officials have made changes to improve students’ academic performance and whether the Bureau of Indian Education is overseeing the financial management and academic rigor of the school.

The letter asks the inspector general to determine from the Bureau of Indian Education whether it has identified Chemawa as a high risk school that requires greater monitoring and whether Chemawa has a functioning school board.

In 2013 and 2014 the Government Accountability Office determined that the Bureau of Indian Education lacked clear decision-making procedures and was not adequately monitoring and recording school expenditures.

The senators wrote to Greenblatt that, “after several years, we remain deeply concerned that we cannot receive satisfactory answers to the most basic questions related to the school’s accounting practices.”

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Protections for wolves

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ern Rockies wolf population, precisely because wolves’ role in maintaining healthy ecosystems is being jeopardized by the policies now being implemented by Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming. As the scientists note, ‘Without the presence of key species in numbers, we are merely conserving scenery and not functioning ecosystems.’

“Given the above, we urge you to immediately issue an emergency listing to establish temporary federal protections for gray wolves. An emergency listing,

which extends for 240 days, will prevent more wolves from being killed before the Service makes a determination about whether relisting is warranted. Furthermore, as part of its status review, we respectfully request that the Service both engage in meaningful tribal consultation and consider the impacts of state-level policies like those in Idaho and Montana as they reevaluate the gray wolf’s status,” the Senators concluded.

The letter was co-signed by: Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Kirsten Gilli-

brand (D-NY), Jack Reed (D-RI), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Bernard Sanders (I-VT), Jacky Rosen (D-NV), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Alex Padilla (D-CA), Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI), Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Chris Murphy (D-CT), Tammy Duckworth (D-IL), Catherine Cortez-Masto (D-NV), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Sherrod Brown (D-OH), Brian Schatz (D-HI), Robert Menendez (D-NJ), and Ed Markey (D-MA).



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