

Bridgeport installs new downtown water main



Mike Maltais/QCH

Two large excavators dig a trench along the north side of Columbia Avenue in downtown Bridgeport where public works is installing a new water main line while not impeding traffic flow.

Animal control officer confirms cases

Bridgeport dog owners urged to vaccinate against Parvo

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT - The city's new animal control officer is urging Bridgeport dog owners who have not already done so to get their canines vaccinated against the parvo virus.

dangers to puppies and young dogs.

On the positive side Stanley said that while it is an ongoing learning process Bridgeport dog owners have been doing much better with their dog control.

Earlier this year the City of Brewster was concerned enough about parvo spreading among its dog population that the city council considered an ordinance to make parvo mandatory as part of the licensing requirements.

The Brewster Veterinary Clinic said most clients who bring their puppies in for appointments agree to the parvo shots along with the state mandated rabies vaccination.

In addition to Bridgeport, Stanley provides on-call animal control services for Bridgeport Bar and Mansfield.

"The ones I told council about are just the one I have seen or actually done something with," said Stanley said.

Stanley suspects there are more dogs infected with parvo than he has been able to document so he trying to get the word out to those who will be more proactive with their pets' health in the face of a heightened threat.

The virus is highly contagious and often lethal for dogs. About 40 percent of those infected will die

Vaccination for parvo is not mandatory like rabies because dogs cannot pass the virus to humans. Still, the virus is highly contagious, often lethal for dogs and one of the major

Second of a four-stage schedule



Mike Maltais/QCH

John Bosserman owns the 350 class Running Thunder.



Cody Nass, left, his father, Mike Nass, and crew boss pose next to the pair of Formula One boats they will drive.

Hard-chargers and hydros arrive for first Pateros Hydro Classic

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS - The boats started rolling in last Friday, August 26, for the two-day Pateros Hydro Classic, the second phase of the four-part Region 10 Upper Columbia Cup Chase the Grapes Shootout.

John Bosserman of Oregon City, owner/part-time driver of Running Thunder and driver Mike Jarvis are just coming off a win in their 350 class at the Tri-Cities Water Follies last July 29-31.

Raining Thunder was the only boat in its class to race at the Norm Evans Apple Cup Regatta in Chelan last April. It's a different story at Pateros where some half dozen 350-class boats are competing.

The father-son team of Mike and Cody Nass brought their Formula One boats from Vancouver, B.C. on their second trip to the Lower 48 this year. Between the Upper Columbia Cup and Canada, it's only the third race for the duo so far this season.

"We were at Chelan for the first race," said Cody of the inaugural Evans Regatta last April.

The two racers are leading their class in the points race at this stage.

"I'm in second for Formula 150, and Dad's in first," the younger Nass said.

The Nass team plans to return for the Tony Newton Memorial Regatta in Brewster on Sept. 10-11, and the Manson Hydrofest Sept. 24-25.

Owner/driver Brock Butler brought his Formula One boat from Victoria, B.C. He got involved with hydros about five years ago after a decade of quarter-mile drag racing with outboards whetted his appetite for more speed.

Driver Brad Sanchez will pilot the one-liter modified Miss Beacon Plumbing powered by a three-cylinder, two-stroke Yamaha jet ski motor and sponsored by Beacon Plumbing.

"In between Brewster and Manson this boat will travel to San Diego to race in conjunction with the unlimited hydroplanes on Mission Bay," Sanchez said.

That event will feature the company's other sponsored hydro, the larger Miss Beacon Plumbing U40 Unlimited in addition to its Pateros entry.

Sanchez gave a strong shout-out for this crew's safety team that rescued him from a blow-over accident that happened as he was entering a turn during a race in Richland last June.

"We have the best safety team in the United States, by far, by far," said Sanchez. "Everybody in the sport emulates what we do here in Region 10."



This APBA capsule is used to train drivers the proper escape procedures from an overturned boat.



Brad Sanchez will drive the Miss Beacon Plumbing.



Owner-driver Brock Butler of Victoria, B.C., sits in the cockpit of his Formula One boat.

Quad cities address excess water solutions, FEMA flood studies

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER - Major and deadly flood events in Texas, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Nevada in just the past 30 days have been making national news lately and while nothing of that magnitude has been a hazard here, city officials in Brewster, Pateros, and Bridgeport have been addressing excess water events in their jurisdictions.

Brewster "In the past we have had some rain events that has

caused some flooding," said city finance director Misty Ruiz of water that comes down from the Rat Lake drainage north of Brewster.

Ruiz and public works director Lee Webster had already been discussing future strategies to apply for funding to help resolve the Rat Lake drainage in a few years when an advisory from FEMA moved up the timetable.



Mike Maltais/QCH

Rat Lake is a 61-plus acre reservoir about 5.5 miles north of Brewster accessed by Paradise Hill Road.

had expanded Brewster's floodway based on updated data and modeling. The new FEMA designation could compel many city residences and businesses to acquire flood insurance.

To head off the new FEMA actions the city is contacting the National Resource Conservation Service to help the city correct its potential flooding issue.

"I'm hoping FEMA will allow us some extra time once we show them that we are going to solve the problem," said Ruiz. "It's going to take

us probably five years to deal with it, so we are going to need an extension."

One idea involves creating an impoundment between Rat Lake and city structures and utilize that impounded water to be routed back into the city's aquifer.

"The excess water is not serving any good purpose for irrigating or recharging the city's aquifer," Ruiz said.

Pateros Last year when FEMA advised the City of Pateros that

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Hawkins' sixth annual 'listening tour' begins in Chelan County Sept. 13-16

SUBMITTED BY BRIAN ZYLSTRA, OFFICE SEN. BRAD HAWKINS

OLYMPIA — Sen. Brad Hawkins will soon hold his sixth annual 12th District "listening tour," starting with visits to several Chelan County communities for meetings in mid-September.

"As the state senator for the 12th District, it is very helpful for me to hear directly from constituents, which is why I started conducting annual listening tours," said Hawkins. "After meeting primarily via Zoom the past two years because of the pandemic, I'm pleased to resume in-person meetings for those wishing to meet face to face, although we will also make Zoom or phone meetings available."

This year's listening tour will be split between the traditional areas of the 12th District and the new western areas of the district resulting from the recent redrawing of the state's legislative district boundaries.

Hawkins begins his listening tour on Sept. 13 with stops in Cashmere and Leavenworth, followed by meetings in Wenatchee on Sept. 14-15 before concluding the Chelan County part of the tour with appointments in Chelan on Sept. 16. The meetings will be scheduled approximately 20 minutes apart to accommodate as many groups as possible. The first meeting each day will begin at 8 a.m. and the last will end at 5 p.m.

During past listening tours, meetings included businesses, local governments, and community groups.

All meetings are by appointment. Those interested in meeting with Hawkins should contact his office at brad.hawkins@leg.wa.gov or

360-688-8951. Hawkins' staff will provide the necessary technical details to constituents who prefer to meet via Zoom or by phone.

Hawkins said his annual listening tour allows him to hear ideas and concerns that can be turned into successful legislative action.

"Leavenworth officials told me in 2017 about an issue about disposing of brush and yard clippings and worked with me to enact a new law in 2018 to address it," said Hawkins. "A funding request related to the Saddle Rock trail in Wenatchee became reality when it was included in the state capital budget four years ago, and a road paving project to a popular fishing location in Okanogan County was recently funded. Last year, a Methow Valley biochar demonstration project was funded for forest management purposes along with funding for renovations at the city of Wenatchee's Community Center utilized by Pinnacles Prep School. All of them were ideas discussed with constituents during past listening tours."

As in the past five years, Hawkins has invited legislative staff to join him on this year's tour, including his office staff, communications staff and issue specialists. "People appreciated us making these resources available to their communities, and it's good for our staff to hear directly from people about the issues of interest in our region," said Hawkins. "If we need to research concerns or begin developing ideas, we are ready to do that."

The remaining leg of the listening tour will take place Nov. 14-18 in the parts of the 12th District now in King and Snohomish counties.

Bears Prep for first day of school



Brewster school students gather for Bear Day last Thursday, August 25, in the Middle School gym to attend to a variety of pre-opening day details including student photos.



Courtesy Greg Austin/Brewster School District

Pateros Nannies varsity soccer team hits the practice field



Mike Maltais/QCH

Players turning out for the Pateros varsity girls soccer team take a turn under the scoreboard as they run conditioning laps around the perimeter of the athletic field. Athletic Director Marcus Stennes said volleyball is the only other fall sport on the schedule this year. The Billygoats will not have a football team due to lack of participation.

Patriotic pallet



Mike Maltais/QCH

Some paint, a string of colored lights, and a creative touch can turn even an ordinary wood pallet into something special.

Community Foundation of NCW awards over \$1.1M in scholarships

SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER DOLGE, COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NCW

NCW - The Community Foundation of NCW has awarded \$1,123,900 to 216 students across North Central Washington and beyond - the largest award amount to date.

The Foundation now manages over 130 scholarships established by individuals, families, and businesses from across the region who care deeply about supporting local students' education. Each scholarship is unique - the criteria is set by the donor and can range from academic

achievement to community involvement to overcoming obstacles - and supports students attending community college university, or trade school. Most scholarships aim to support students with the greatest financial need.

"Scholarships are a very personal way to give back to the community" said Beth Stipe, the foundation's executive director. "They often honor the memory of a loved one, or support students attending their alma mater, or simply help a student that otherwise wouldn't be able to advance their education."

Students apply online and are matched to scholarships for which they can apply. A scholarship selection com-

mittee is assigned to each scholarship to review and select the recipient. There were 280 volunteers this year that helped review over 2,400 applications received. "Our scholarship committee volunteers are vital to a fair selection process" said Julie Mott, the foundation's scholarship specialist. "They have the hard but rewarding job of finding the right student that matches the spirit and integrity of the scholarship. We are incredibly grateful for the time, dedication, and thoughtfulness they bring to the table."

The next scholarship application cycle opens January 1 with deadlines of March 1 and June 1. Students will need

to complete the FAFSA and collect letters of recommendation, so it is encouraged to start the application process as early as possible.

For a listing of this year's award recipients and how to apply, visit www.cfnw.org/ scholarships.

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the agency's data suggested that portions of the city adjacent to the Methow River were included in an expanded flood plain area, city administrator Jord Wilson did not agree.

"They were using only the data out of the Methow Valley and watershed to predict the flood plain in Pateros," said Wilson. "The initial FEMA plan that came out included all the lower fill area from Warren Street to Peninsula and out to the tennis courts."

Wilson argued that Wells Dam can be lowered in minutes to control excess water.

"All of Pateros is affected by Wells Dam, but FEMA said it was not going to consider the Columbia River, only the Methow."

Wilson pointed out that the dam has been able to quickly respond to major events like the 1972 flood. In May 2018, the county experienced the worst flooding since 1972 and while water levels were high at the confluence of the Okanogan and Methow rivers, Pateros again was not affected.

FEMA later included the Columbia in its Pateros assessment. As a result, the latest FEMA map removed the added areas in Pateros.

"I don't believe there is going to be any change to our flood plain in this new assessment," Wilson said.

Bridgeport

Public works superintendent Stuart Dezellem said he has not heard from FEMA but is addressing some excess water issues in the Raymond and Fifth areas, the top two residential streets on the

south side of the city.

"This new flooding is not coming down what was constructed to deal with it which was to bring it down behind the high school, bring it down 11th Street," said Dezellem. "What caused the flooding was coming further from the east."

Some state funding will help the city address the problem and options to fix it.

"We just got some grant money through the Department of Ecology to do a storm drain plan," said Dezellem. "Sometime in 2023 we're going to start working on a plan."

Dezellem said he is consulting old city maps and other sources to see what the city has done in the past.

"I know some modeling has been done in the past when the '91 flood happened," said Dezellem. "It will be interesting."



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Aug. 19
15:56 Malicious Mischief, 224 W. Ash St., Waterville
20:19 Juvenile Problem, 929 Maple St., Bridgeport
20:52 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 356 McNeil Canyon Rd., Orondo

Aug. 20
20:57 Suspicious Circumstance, 1705 Raymond Ave. area, Bridgeport
21:29 Noise Complaint, 86 Gun Club Rd. area, Bridgeport
22:12 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 1130 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport
22:14 Noise Complaint, 1808 Raymond Ave., Bridgeport

Aug. 21
18:55 Animal Problem, 310 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport

Aug. 22
04:24 Domestic Disturbance, 1709 Fisk Ave., Bridgeport
09:18 Registered Sex Offender, 205 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport
12:49 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 127 Nollmeyer Rd., Orondo
17:47 Animal Problem, 28 Wilmot St., Mansfield

Aug. 23
09:19 Vehicle Theft, 109 Hummingbird Rd., Waterville
10:21 911-call, 601 N. Monroe St., NCW Fairgrounds, Waterville
10:38 CPS/ APS Referral, 929 Maple St., Bridgeport
17:25 Domestic Disturbance, 335 E. Railroad Ave., Mansfield
17:39 Animal Problem, 3rd St. and Columbia Ave., Bridgeport
22:22 Disturbance 1919 Monroe Ave., Bridgeport

Aug. 24
09:57 Traffic Offense, 3rd St. and Columbia Ave., Bridgeport
11:28 Civil Dispute, 911 Foster Ave., Bridgeport
12:41 Theft, 126 W. Poplar St., Waterville
13:43 Vehicle Theft, Mansfield
14:16 Malicious Mischief, 1000 Foster Ave., Bridgeport
15:48 Harassment/ Threat, 3 Patricia Ln., Orondo
18:14 Traffic Offense, 430 16th St., Bridgeport
21:59 Hazard, McNeil Canyon Rd. MP 1, Orondo

Aug. 25
05:58 Non-injury Accident, Brays Landing Rd. and Higgins, Orondo
08:46 Littering, Rd. 13 NE and Rd. C NE, Mansfield
09:48 Civil Dispute, 2412 Highland Dr., Bridgeport
13:28 Welfare Check, 340 Lakefront Dr., Orondo

reported on Mountain View Dr. in Brewster for a neighbor's dog barking for several hours straight.

Aug. 20
18:48 A hit-and-run accident was reported on Marthas Rd. and W. Main Ave. in Brewster when a subject in a gray Mustang was driving erratically and ran into a stop sign and his fender was still by the church.
20:26 A noise complaint was reported on E. Hanson Ave. and S. 3rd St. for loud music shaking the caller's windows.
21:57 An agency assist was requested on Sunset Dr. in Brewster when a caller reported hearing 4-5 shots and then 4 more shots possibly below the packing shed and then to the south reported hearing a vehicle speed away from the same direction.

Aug. 21
No local reports.

Aug. 22
22:02 A disabled vehicle was reported on N. 3rd St. and E. Main Ave. in Brewster, the owner of the camper advised he had too many drinks and he would be staying there overnight.
22:25 A citizen assist was reported on E. Ester Ave. in Brewster when the caller's mother lost her phone about 2 days prior when she was outside cleaning her car.

Aug. 23
22:25 An agency assist was reported on Monroe Ave. in Brewster for loud yelling in the area.

Aug. 24
No local reports.

Aug. 25
15:03 A male subject in his 30s was reported having a seizure on Hwy. 97.

Okanogan County Sheriff

Aug. 19
08:35 An animal problem was reported on Mountain View Dr. in Brewster for a neighbor's dog barking for several hours straight.
20:03 A caller on Kelly St. in Pateros reported a juvenile runaway when their 17-year-old niece was missing and last seen at 11:30 that morning when the caller left for work.

Aug. 20
07:12 A non-injury accident was reported on Lakeshore Dr. in Pateros for a subject in a vehicle that ran over the caller's garbage can and the caller had video footage on scene.
21:57 A weapons offense was reported on Sunset Dr. in Brewster when a caller heard 4-5

shots then 4 additional shots, then reported a vehicle speed away from the same direction.
14:06 A caller on North Star Rd. in Brewster reported finding a baggy of what they believed to be methamphetamines and a pipe on their property.

Aug. 21
20:10 A caller on Hwy. 153 in Pateros reported receiving threatening remarks to kill them, the caller reported a young son in the house.

Aug. 22
04:27 An agency assist was requested on Fisk Ave. in Bridgeport when a caller reported his wife tried to attack him with a knife and was reportedly cutting herself.
15:46 A welfare check was requested for a caller's 6-year-old daughter on Golf Course Dr. in Pateros.
16:11 An injury accident was reported on Blossom Ln. and Old Hwy. 97 in Brewster, both vehicles sustained heavy front end damage but all 8 tires were inflated.

Aug. 23
09:49 A non-injury accident was reported on Jack Wells Rd. in Bridgeport for a tractor and a truck collision on a private driveway, the caller requested a call for options.
15:00 An agency assist was requested on Hwy. 97 for a traffic stop reported with two detained known drug dealers, the caller requested an officer stand by while they did a vehicle search.
15:13 A disorderly person was reported in Hwy. 97 N. when a male subject in the park was reported screaming, yelling, and threatening to bury people, calling them pedophiles.
21:59 A domestic dispute was reported on Hwy. 153 when a male and female subject in the room next to the caller had been yelling at each other, the male saying she cut him and the male was outside with the caller.

Aug. 24
06:56 A stray horse was reported on Indian Dan Canyon Rd. in Brewster, it was an ongoing issue.

Aug. 25
08:14 A hit-and-run accident was reported on Gunsmoke Rd. in Brewster that occurred on Monday evening with a dark blue Chevy Cruz that rolled and landed on the caller's property and the vehicle was still there.
18:39 An agency assist was requested on Pedersen Rd. in Pateros when a caller's ex was refusing to give them their kids and they had a verbal parenting plan.

Bridgeport School District soliciting nominations for the Highly Capable Program

Deadline is September 30.

SUBMITTED BY BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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WVC offers free college readiness class Sept. 6-15, seats limited

Fall quarter starts Sept. 19

SUBMITTED BY LIBBY SIEBENS, WENATCHEE VALLEY COLLEGE

OMAK/WENATCHEE - Two weeks before fall quarter starts Wenatchee Valley College is offering SDS 112: College Readiness Summer Bootcamp for free. Seats are limited so interested students should register now. The priority fall enrollment deadline is Friday, Sept. 2.

Students can earn three college credits for this class. SDS 112 is a two-week intensive course in basic college readiness skills including college navigation, study skills, and reading, writing, and

math fundamentals. Students will have the opportunity to strengthen their English and math foundations and receive assistance with correct placement in writing and math. The course will include presentations from guest speakers across campus. Learn more at wvc.edu/CollegeReady. The class is provided free of charge thanks to the WVC Foundation. The foundation is paying the tuition for the class, up to 45 enrolled students. "Investing in student success is a part of Wenatchee Valley College Foundation's mission," said Rachel Evey, WVC Foundation executive director. "This bootcamp is a great example of how our generous donors are making a difference in students' lives."

Students in CAMP, TRIO SSS, Transitional Studies or those who are receiving workforce grants should contact their program director for more information. New students can apply for free at wvc.edu/GetStarted. Fall quarter classes start Sept. 19. ###
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Half a million Washingtonians may benefit from the federal government's student loan debt plan

SUBMITTED BY OFFICE OF GOV. JAY INSLIE

OLYMPIA - On Tuesday, August 23 President Biden announced details for the Student Debt Relief Plan (https://studentaid.gov/debt-relief-announcement/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) forgiving up to \$20,000 in debt for Pell Grant recipients with loans held by the Department of Education, and up to \$10,000 in debt cancellation for non-Pell Grant recipients. This forgiveness could impact 40 million people across the nation and

half a million Washingtonians, providing relief for low and middle-class borrowers. The administration also granted an extension of the pause on federal student loan repayment through Dec. 31. Those potentially eligible for the PSLF waiver can visit this website: https://studentaid.gov/announcements-events/pslf-limited-waiver?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery by Oct. 31 to see if they qualify. "My student loan plan makes sure working people have a shot at a college degree without the fear of being

saddled with insurmountable debt," said Biden. There are three parts to the debt relief plan: Final extension of the student loan repayment pause to Dec. 31. Targeted debt relief to low- and middle-income families. A student loan system that is more manageable for current and future borrowers. "This is providing relief to hundreds of thousands of Washingtonians. Thank you to the Biden administration for delivering on your promise and helping to fuel the economy," said Gov. Jay Inslee.

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Senior meals now served, home delivered, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

BREWSTER – The Senior Center is now serving meals at Noon, at the center on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Fridays. Home delivered meals are also delivered those same days. Call 509-826-7979 to reserve or cancel your meal. Suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$4. For those 60 and under the cost is \$10. MENU: Wednesday, August 31: Shepherd's Pie, Cottage Cheese, Caesar Salad, WW Roll, Dessert; Friday, Sept. 2: Wieners & Sauerkraut, Roasted Red Potatoes, Spring Salad, Apple Celery Salad, Dessert; Tuesday, Sept. 6: Chicken Cordon Bleu Casserole, Wild Rice, Key West Veggies, Greek Salad, Mixed Melons, WW Roll, Dessert; Wednesday, Sept. 7: Chicken Stir Fry, Rice, Tossed Veggie Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Egg Roll, Dessert.

August 31-Sept. 3, Sept. 5-10 Senior Center Thrift Store

BREWSTER – The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior

Center Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come to the center on Tuesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. for coffee and conversation, plus sweets. Check out our great kids section. Donations accepted when they are open. They are also the Brewster Visitor Information Center and the Brewster Chamber of Commerce meeting room.

August 31-Sept. 1, Sept. 5-8 Chelan Valley Hope serves Bridgeport, Mansfield, Waterville

CHELAN - Chelan Valley Hope is open Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (closed Noon-1 p.m.). Volunteers are desperately needed for front desk/phones, special projects, and outreach. If you are interested, please email Jess at info@chelanvalleyhope.org. The Community Resource Center is available to assist individuals with computer/internet access. Volunteer mentors can help find jobs, housing, healthcare, and more. CVH provides services at no cost to individuals and families in need. CVH is located at 417 S. Bradley Street and serves Chelan, Manson, Chelan Falls, Waterville, Entiat, Bridgeport, Mansfield, and Orondo. Call 509-888-2114 for more information or to schedule an appointment. Or visit their website and social media pages www.ChelanValleyHope.org @ChelanValleyHope

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Sept. 1

Bingo is back

BREWSTER - Bingo is back at the Brewster American Legion, every Thursday night at 6 p.m. It is open to public. Come early to purchase game packets and markers. Check out their Facebook page at American Legion Columbia Post 97 for more events.

Sept. 3, 6

Farmers Markets

WIC and Senior Authorized Farmers Markets with payment options: Methow Valley Farmers Market (Twisp) 201 Hwy. 20 South, Parking Lot, Saturday, 9 a.m.-Noon, April-Oct. 29; Okanogan Valley Farmers Market (Okanogan), 999 2nd Avenue N., Legion Park, Tuesday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., now thru Oct. 29; and

Okanogan Valley Farmers Market (Omak), Omak Eastside Park, across bridge from downtown, Tuesday, 3:30-6:30 p.m., now thru Oct. 25. If there is not a distribution site in your area, and you live within Adams, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Lincoln and Okanogan counties, please contact Kathy Wright 509-886-0700 ext. 235 / 800-572-4459.

September 7, 21

American Legion meetings

BREWSTER – American Legion Post #97 current members meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Post. For information call Greg Wagg at 206-550-6474.

Sept. 8, 15

Brewster bus trips

BREWSTER – OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Thursday of the month. That next trip is Sept. 8. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc. On the third Thursday of each month, Sept. 15, riders will be taken

to Omak for the day. Riders request their destination(s). Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

September 9-10

Fall for crafts Bazaar

BREWSTER - The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 97 is hosting a Fall for crafts Bazaar on Sept. 9 and 10, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the American Legion Columbia Post 97, 102 N. Third Street, in Brewster. Auxiliary proceeds are used to support Veterans, Veteran Families and the community. Contact Margi Allen 509-689-5402 or margiallen11@gmail.com.

September 12

Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee

OKANOGAN – The Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee meets the second Monday of the month and is always looking for volunteers. The meetings are open to the public and begin at 6 p.m. in

the Okanogan County Commissioners' hearing room, 123 N. Fifth Ave., Okanogan.

September 12, 26

Okanogan County PUD meetings

OKANOGAN – The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners will be held Monday, September 12, at 3 p.m. For more information okanoganpud.org

September 12, 26

Douglas County PUD meetings

EAST WENATCHEE – The next meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is September 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the East Wenatchee office.

September 13

Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group

WENATCHEE - Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month, 7-8:30 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street, Wenatchee. For information, call 509-860-3620 or visit their website at: tcfwenatcheevalley.org

DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

SUBMITTED BY MEAGHAN VIBBERT, DOUGLAS COUNTY PUD, PIO

BRIDGEPORT - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Aaron J. Viebrock, Molly Simpson and Ronald E. Skagen executed the following actions during the August 22 Commission meeting held at the District's Bridgeport office:

- Approved an agreement with the North Central Educational Service District

(NCESD) in the amount of \$35,235.50 for the 2022-2023 school year. In effect since 1987, agreements between Douglas PUD and NCESD have been established to provide educational curriculum for every kindergarten through fifth grade student in Douglas County. Classes pertain to electrical generation, electric distribution, conservation, safety and wise use of water resources. This funding

also provides for fourth grader participation in the River of Power program.

- Rejected bids under bid document 21-53-W, generator fire protection system upgrades and miscellaneous piping at the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The bids exceeded the engineer's estimate by more than the amount allowable under state law.
- Affirmed change order No. 1 to contract 22-16-D,

steel poles for the Rapids to Vahalla Transmission Line. Additional structural engineering stamps were required at a cost of \$5,100.

- Awarded contract 22-44-W, rehabilitate U5 trashracks at the Wells Hydroelectric Project to Toshiba America Energy Systems, the lowest responsive bid.
- Authorized joint funding agreement with US Geological Survey for water temperature data collection 2022-2025. Necessary for the 401 Water Quality Certification and FERC license. This agreement will not exceed \$75,472 and will expire September 30, 2025.
- Approved land use permit 58A-03, Kory and Stephanie Schertenleib. The permit is for use of Project lands for a walkway, dock, landscaping, garden and fire pit.
- Authorized the surplus and salvage of Distribution Transformers and Reclosers. This equipment is no longer in use and has exceeded its useful life.
- Affirmed change order No. 7 to contract 21-22-D, Hydrogen and Lincoln Rock Switchyard utility installations. Necessary for additional weed mat and crushed rock. This will increase the not-to-exceed cost \$41,200.
- Authorized change order No. 2 to contract 21-51-D, fiber optic cable installation. Necessary to keep connecting customers to the Douglas County Community

Network, this will increase the contract \$3,200,000.

- Approved a call for bids under bid document 22-55-W, Methow Hatchery residence. Necessary to house staff working at the hatchery.
- Approved amendment No. 3 to professional service agreement with D. Rohr and Associates, Inc. Assistance with regional governmental, regulatory, power and natural resource issues will not exceed \$165,000 and will conclude December 31, 2024.
- Authorized the purchase of real property from MS. Harrison Family Trust. The property adjacent to the East Wenatchee office is 3.92 acres with a fair market value of \$800,000.
- Approved an interconnection and service agreement with H2 Pre-Cast as required by the Customer Service Policies, Section 36.
- Authorized a change in Administrative Bulletin 5.13, Travel Policy and Request for Travel Authorization. Necessary to update the policy to best match the current economy.
- Approved application for membership in Energy Northwest. The membership would be beneficial and would offer opportunities for cooperative participation in projects that produce and distribute energy.
- Received the preliminary budgets for the Distribution System and Wells

Hydroelectric Project for calendar year 2023.

The preliminary Distribution System budget includes a previously approved 3% increase in KWH charge for the highest two usage tiers of the General Service schedule (over 25,000 KWH). Data Centers will see a 5% increase January 1 and July 1 and Cryptocurrency customers a 10% increase January 1 and July 1 for their rate schedules. Working capital is expected to increase \$12.1 million. The preliminary capital budget is \$47.7 million, of which \$16.5 million is for electrical facilities. The balance of capital spending is for the Hydrogen Project, improvements and new connections to the Douglas County Community Network and new equipment.

Wells Project Revenue Budget estimate is equal to the Operating Expense Budget at \$63 million. The preliminary Capital Budget totals \$47.6 million. Major items include generating unit refurbishment, mobile crane, Motor Control Center replacement, fire protection upgrade, GUS Transformer replacement and Governor Controls upgrade.

Received the Environmental Reviews of the preliminary budgets.

A budget hearing will be opened on Monday, October 10, and held open until Monday, December 12, at 1:30 p.m. in the East Wenatchee office.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. September 12, at the District's East Wenatchee Office.

THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

Fishing round up

By JOHN KRUSE, THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

SOCKEYE – It has been a banner year for sockeye salmon. Over 663,000 sockeye passed through Bonneville Dam this year, the largest run on record since they started counting salmon there in 1938. Most of them were bound for Canada but a sizable number of them took a left below Rocky Reach Dam and headed to Lake Wenatchee. As of August 23, 110,514 sockeye had swam through the fish ladder near Leavenworth, besting the previous record run from 2014 by over 10,000 fish. Biologists believe favorable ocean conditions were the main reason so many sockeye came back this year.

Fishing Reports

COLUMBIA GORGE – Jaelyn Justesen at Gorge Outfitters Supple says the walleye bite is better than normal for this time of year. They are deep in the Columbia River. The best way to catch them is with a spinner worm harness and bottom walker. Small-mouth bass are definitely biting and they are biting anything bright colored. Salmon are expected soon in the area. Anglers are gearing up with Short Bus 360 Pro Troll flashers and Brad's Super Baits which they are stuffing with tuna. Catch and release sturgeon fishing is going well and squid is the hot bait. www.gorgeoutfittersupply.com

LAKE ROOSEVELT – Steve Morris with SJM Guide Service says the sturgeon fishing in Lake Roosevelt has been slow and he doesn't see it getting much better before it closes in September. Steve thinks the cold spring and cooler water temperatures have kept many of the fish north of the reservoir in Canada. Having said that, there are sturgeon scattered through Lake Roosevelt, just don't expect big numbers of fish. Steve will be heading to the Hanford Reach starting September 7 to target fall Chinook salmon and is expecting good fishing with this year's run over the 10-year average. www.sjmguideservice.com

LAKE CHELAN – Joe Heinlen with Lake Chelan Adventures says Chinook salmon fishing on Lake Chelan has been good all summer long



A Potholes Reservoir channel catfish.

Courtesy MarDon Resort



A big sturgeon caught at Lake Roosevelt.

Courtesy SJM Guide Service

and he is averaging 3 take downs a day from these landlocked salmon. Heinlen says numbers are way up and the bite has been very good with the average Chinook weighing 3 to 12 pounds. The lake trout bite has been consistent and clients are boating 8 to 15 fish in a four-hour trip in the lower basin. As for the kokanee, there are only a handful in the lower basin right now. The majority of the kokanee are migrating to the upper basin, staging to spawn in the Stehekin River this fall. www.lakechelanadventures.com

BREWSTER SALMON DERBY – The Brewster Salmon Derby was a smashing success this year. 250 anglers participated and they weighed in a total of 134 salmon. The average fish weighed just under 30 pounds. As for the King of the Pool? That was the 29.1-pound Chinook salmon caught by Mike Burnam from Yakima who won \$2,000. The winning Chinook in the Youth Division wasn't far behind, a 26.1-pound salmon reeled in by Katlynn Gibbons from Tonasket. She cashed a check for \$550. www.brewstersalmonderby.com

POTHOLES RESERVOIR – Nathan LaFrance at MarDon Resort says the channel catfish bite turned on in August and in recent days he has weighed in an 18 pounder, a 13 pounder and several catfish close to 10 pounds. Most folks are fishing cut bait at night while others are catching them while targeting walleye or bass. Two good areas are in front of O'Sullivan Dam as well as in front of Frenchman's Wasteway in the reservoir.

There are a couple of events coming up at MarDon Resort worth noting as well. One of them is the "Old Fart's Bass Tournament". Put on by the Banks Lake Bass Club, this one-day tournament launches out of MarDon Resort Saturday, September 17th and at least one person on each boat has to be over 40 years of age. Sign up for this one at www.bankslakebassclub.com.

The other tournament doesn't require a boat. It's the annual MarDon Resort Dock Tournament, happening Friday, September 16th and running through Sunday the 18th. You can fish day or night for up to ten different species off the resort docks in this derby, and the heaviest two fish from each species caught earns a cash prize. This is a popular event that fills up fast so you will want to register soon if you want to participate. www.mardonresort.com

John Kruse – www.northwesternoutdoors.com and www.americaoutdoorsradio.com

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SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON DEPT. OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

OLYMPIA — Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) hunter education classes are available now.

"Summer is a great time to enroll in hunter education class because as fall hunting seasons draw near, seats in these courses fill quickly," said David Whipple, WDFW hunter education section manager. "Beat the fall rush and sign up today, especially before school and related activities begin."

WDFW offers both traditional and online options to complete the hunter education requirement. The traditional classroom experience includes direct person-to-person instruction from certified volunteer instructors. This format is especially beneficial to younger students, as well as those seeking more time with our highly qualified and passionate instructors. WDFW schedules classes statewide, but due to instructor and facility availability, challenges may arise in locating a class.

The online course offers the same content and can be completed according to the student's schedule. Students aged 17 and younger who take the online course are required to complete an in-person field skills evaluation led by certified instructors. As hunting season approaches, field skills evaluation classes can fill very quickly. Currently, students

18 years and older can complete the online course, which includes a virtual field day, to become certified.

However, those students 18 years and older who complete the online course will almost always benefit from attending an in-person field skills evaluation with certified instructors.

To learn about hunter education requirements or find a course, new hunters should visit the WDFW hunter education webpage.

Hunters born after Jan. 1, 1972 must show proof of completion of hunter education before buying their first Washing-

ton hunting license. Washington honors all 50 states hunter education certifications. Those who are unable to complete a hunter education course before the fall hunting seasons may qualify for a hunter education deferral. For more information on the deferral, visit wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/deferral-program.

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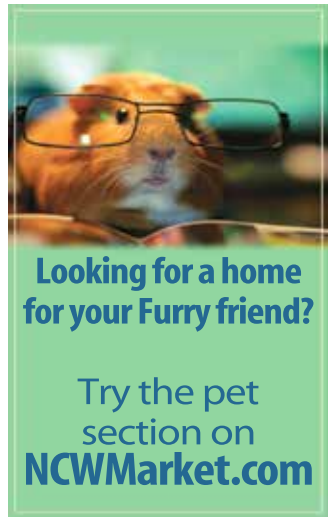
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Most consumers assume homeopathic products are "natural" and cannot be harmful, but this is not always true.

Homeopathy comes from the Greek word homoios, which means "similar." Homeopathic physicians believe diseases can be cured by giving a substance that causes similar symptoms in healthy people, just in tiny amounts.

In the late 1700s, the German physician and chemist Samuel Hahnemann developed homeopathy as an alternative to conventional medical remedies. Dr. Hahnemann was appalled by the treatments commonly prescribed in his day, such as repeated bloodletting, attaching leeches, and swallowing large doses of compounds containing lead, mercury, and arsenic.

Instead of using these toxic compounds, Dr. Hahnemann gave his patients minimal doses of one medicine at a time and watched how they reacted before giving them more. His patients often felt better and recovered faster than those treated with blood loss or poisonous metals. Homeopathy was born.

Traditional homeopathic remedies are small dissolvable tablets labeled with their active ingredient and the dilution, which is a number followed by an "x." A "1x" dilution is made by diluting one part of the original solution by adding 9 parts of water. The resulting liquid is dripped onto small sugar tablets.



Ask... Dr. Louise

A "2x" dilution is made by diluting the original solution 2 times, using one part active ingredient solution to 9 parts water each time. This is repeated many times. Most traditional homeopathic remedies are dilutions of "100x", "1000x", or "10,000x", meaning that there are little to no molecules of active ingredient left in the product.

In the world of traditional homeopathy, the more diluted an agent is, the more effective it is considered to be. I find it hard to believe that medication can be helpful after diluting it 1000 times or more. You are left with only a few molecules in each sugar pill.

The belief that anything so diluted could not be harmful has led to minimal oversight or regulation of homeopathic products by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

In fact, according to the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM), which is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), there is little scientific evidence to support using homeopathic remedies.

The FDA does not require homeopathic products to prove safety or efficacy. This allows the manufacturers of any homeopathic remedy containing active ingredients listed in the Homeopathic Pharmacopeia of the United States (HPUS) to

skip the expense and oversight otherwise required by the FDA.

One example of this contradiction is Arnica. The FDA classifies Arnica as an unsafe herb when taken by mouth. Under FDA regulations, Arnica is available as an over-the-counter (OTC) homeopathic remedy for various indications in melt-under-the-tongue tablets.

The FDA has not addressed the lack of regulation of homeopathic remedies because it assumed they were too dilute to cause harm. Although that was probably true of homeopathic agents of 1,000x and 10,000x dilutions, some manufacturers market products as homeopathic with dilutions of 3x or 10x.

That was the case with Zicam®, a nose spray containing zinc. It was initially marketed as a homeopathic cold remedy. However, unlike traditional homeopathic formulas, there was a significant amount of zinc in Zicam®. Soon after its introduction, The FDA started receiving reports of loss of smell after using Zicam®.

In 2009, the FDA issued a warning about Zicam®. It reported evidence of permanent loss of smell in some people with as little as one dose of Zicam®. The FDA eventually forced Zicam's® manufacturer to reduce its zinc concentration.

The FDA investigated when they received reports linking the use of Hyland's Teething Tablets® in infants with seizures, shortness of breath, tremors, and even death. They found highly

inconsistent levels of the toxic compound belladonna, suggesting poor manufacturing practices.

Although the FDA has since issued several safety warnings on the dangers of homeopathic teething products, the manufacturer of Hyland's Teething Tablets has continued to sell the product as is. Unfortunately, the FDA has no authority to issue a mandatory recall, despite accumulating over 400 adverse event reports in children associated with Hyland's Teething Tablets®.

To address this, Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro from Connecticut introduced the Recall Unsafe Drugs Act on February 16, 2017. This bill would give the FDA mandatory recall authority over homeopathic products. DeLauro resubmitted it earlier this year as the Recall Unsafe Drugs Act of 2022, and it's now in the House's subcommittee on Health.

Homeopathic remedies can be sold in the United States without proving they are safe or effective. I suggest you avoid homeopathic products entirely or use them cautiously.

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Keep medicines, vitamins, supplements safely out of children's reach

(STATEPOINT) - While you may already understand the importance of keeping medicines safely up and away from the reach of little ones, you may not be treating your vitamins and other supplements with as much care. Experts warn that these products also pose safety risks and should be kept up and away and out of sight and reach of young children.

"We've seen this play out recently with melatonin supplements. Recent data show that between 2012-2021, the annual number of pediatric ingestions of melatonin increased more than 500%, with approximately 220,000 ingestions by young children reported to U.S. poison centers. Pediatric hospitalizations and more serious outcomes also increased, largely due to an increase in unintentional melatonin ingestions," says Mary Leonard, managing di-



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Remind babysitters, houseguests, and visitors that purses, bags, or jackets that have medicines or vitamins in them should be kept up and away and out of sight when they're in your home.

rector, Consumer Healthcare Product Association (CHPA) Educational Foundation. "Much like medication, you take vitamins and supplements to feel your best, but they can be dangerous if left out and within reach of children in the home."

To keep kids safe, the CHPA Educational Foundation in collaboration with the Up and Away campaign of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-led PROTECT Initiative, is reminding families that safe medicine storage also includes vitamins and other supplements. To prevent accidental ingestions, keep all medicines, vitamins, and other supplements -- including those in gummy form -- up and away and out of sight and reach of young children. The following tips can help:

- Always relock the safety cap on bottles. If it has a locking cap that turns, twist it until you can't twist anymore or until you hear the "click."
- Teach children what medicine and vitamins are and why you or another caregiver must be the one to give it to them.
- Never tell children that medicine or vitamins are candy, so they'll take it, even if your child doesn't like to take their medicine.
- Remind babysitters, houseguests, and visitors that purses, bags, or jackets that have medicines or vitamins in them should be kept up and away and out of sight when they're in your home.
- Keep the Poison Help number in all your phones: (800) 222-1222 or text "POISON" TO 797979 to automatically save it.

• Keep medicines, vitamins, and other supplements (including those carried in purses, bags, pockets, or pill organizers) in a safe location that is too high for young children to reach or see.

• Never leave medicines or vitamins out on a counter, table or at a sick child's bedside.

• At home or away, keep medicines in child-resistant containers until right before you take them.

For additional tips, safety information, and resources to spread these messages visit upandaway.org.

"Children are curious by nature, always getting their little hands into something they shouldn't. We can't stop their inquiring minds, but we can keep them safe by keeping medicines, vitamins, and supplements out of their sight and reach," says Leonard.

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32. *Ben Affleck's 2012 Golden Globe best drama winner
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38. Port city in Japan
40. Get it wrong
41. BOGO offer
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46. Isthmus, pl.
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50. Samuel Adams, e.g.
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US Government Imposes First-of-Its-Kind Fee on Greenhouse Gas Emissions

KATIE SPENCE

Hidden deep within the more than 700 pages of the recently enacted Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) is a provision that intends to boost the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) power to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.

Specifically, the IRA establishes the "Methane Emission Reduction Program" under a new section in the Clean Air Act, allowing the EPA to impose a fee on certain "air pollutants."

Importantly, this is the first time the federal government has ever imposed a fee on any greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and is part of Congress' effort to bolster the EPA's power to address the "climate crisis."

Congress Sends a Message

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in *West Virginia v. Environmental Protection Agency* that the EPA didn't have the authority under the Clean Air Act or the Clean Power Plan to essentially force power plants to transition more toward wind and solar.

Moreover, the court determined that the interpretive question raised under the Clean Power Plan fell under the "major questions doctrine," which states that Congress must make a "clear statement" if it wants to delegate authority "of this breadth to regulate a fundamental sector of the economy."

Notably, the ruling expressly limited the EPA's ability to regulate carbon emissions from power plants, which President Joe Biden called "devastating."

Biden further added that he planned to "find ways that we can, under federal law, continue protecting Americans from harmful pollution, including pollution that causes

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Steam rises from the Miller coal power plant in Adamsville, Ala., on April 13, 2021.



climate change."

Enter the IRA and Congress' "clear statement" on what it wants the EPA to do.

Indeed, the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) said Congress' passing of the IRA "modernized" the Clean Air Act and established the EPA's authority "to protect American families from climate and air pollution."

Additionally, via the IRA, Congress reaffirmed that GHGs are "air pollutants" and further specified that the term "greenhouse gas" includes the pollutants "carbon dioxide, hydrofluorocarbons, methane, nitrous oxide, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride."

"These new Clean Air Act sections and the new provisions that rely on the Clean Air Act reinvigorate EPA's responsibilities under the law addressing the climate crisis and longstanding inequities with new tools, new solutions, unprecedented investments, additional policies, and with great urgency," EDF concludes.

Incentives and Penalties

The IRA includes several tax credits, incentives, and grants, totaling \$369 billion for "Energy Security and Climate Change investments."

And the investments include more than \$1.5 billion to the EPA for "grants, rebates, contracts, loans" and "other activities" to reduce GHG emissions in the natural gas and oil sector.

But incentives aren't the only tool the IRA utilizes regarding the oil and gas sector.

According to a report from the Congressional Research Service (CRS), the Methane Emissions Reduction Program applies to specific types of facilities that report their GHG emissions to the EPA's Greenhouse Gas Emission Reporting Program.

Specifically, the facilities that the charge applies to include:

"Offshore and onshore petroleum and natural gas production, onshore natural gas processing and transmission compression, underground natural gas storage, liquefied natural gas storage, liquefied natural gas imports and exports, onshore petroleum and natural gas gathering and boosting, and finally, onshore natural gas transmission pipelines."

In other words, the EPA now has the authority to impose charges on oil and gas power plants, fulfilling SCOTUS's requirement.

More importantly, facilities that fall under one or more of the above categories and exceed a specific methane threshold (thresholds vary by facility type) will have to pay \$900 per metric ton of methane starting in 2024.

In 2025, the charge increases to \$1,200, and in 2026 and beyond, the cost is \$1,500.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates, based on 2019 data, that the new fees will raise \$1.1 billion in fiscal year 2026, and almost \$1.9

billion by fiscal 2028. CBO projects revenues will decrease after that as facilities implement methane reduction strategies.

EPA Powers Up

Methane is the primary component of natural gas, and the EPA reports that methane emissions accounted for 11 percent of total U.S. GHG emissions in 2020. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) accounted for 79 percent.

However, methane is considered more "potent" than CO₂, with some experts putting its "climate change impact" at 25 to 72 times greater than the equivalent mass of CO₂. Consequently, reducing methane emissions is "one of the best opportunities for reducing near term [global] warming," CRS says.

Further, Biden made it clear that by 2030, he wants GHG emissions reduced by 40 percent compared to 2005 levels; reduction levels of that amount require significant transformation.

The IRA's passage and its implementation of a methane charge put Biden's goals within reach.

Indeed, the Department of Energy reports that because of the IRA, the United States will not only meet the 40 percent reduction goal but exceed it, as it now projects GHG emissions at 50 to 52 percent below 2005 levels.

According to the EPA, the primary source of methane emissions isn't natural gas or oil—it's livestock.

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Biden's Push for Electric Vehicles Will Benefit China: House Republicans

FRANK FANG

The Chinese Communist Party will likely become the beneficiary of President Joe Biden's push to fill U.S. streets with electric vehicles, according to 16 Republicans on the House Oversight Committee.

The lawmakers, led by the committee's ranking Republican member, Rep. James Comer (R-Ky.), and Rep. Andy Biggs (R-Ariz.), sounded the alarm in an Aug. 24 letter to Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. They wrote that Oversight Committee Republicans are examining "the false claims" made by the Biden administration about the impact of electric vehicles on U.S. jobs.

To rebuke the administration's claims, the lawmakers pointed out how Ford will cut about 8,000 jobs this summer to "boost profits to fund its push into the electric-vehicle market," citing a July article from Bloomberg.

"Most of the 8,000 jobs will be salaried workers in the United States, representing as much as 25 percent of Ford's American salaried workers," they wrote. "Ford is focusing on eliminating employees from its gas-fueled vehicle line."

Aside from the job cuts, Ford has turned to a Chinese supplier for bat-

tery packs. According to a statement from Ford's website, the U.S. automaker inked a cooperation agreement with China-based Contemporary Amperex Technology Co. Ltd. (CATL) in July. Under the terms of the agreement, CATL will supply electric batteries for certain models of Ford's electric pickup trucks and SUVs beginning in 2023.

CATL stated that its agreement with Ford allows the two firms to "leverage their respective strengths to jointly explore new business opportunities worldwide."

However, the lawmakers warned about CATL's ties to the Chinese communist regime.

"CATL is influential in the Chinese government—being able to independently draft government safety regulations while completely dominating the EV battery market with support from the Chinese government," they wrote.

CATL, the world's largest electric vehicle (EV) battery manufacturer, has obtained billions in subsidies from Chinese authorities, according to China's state-run media outlets. The company's chairman, Zeng Yuqun, is also a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), a political advisory body.

The CPPCC is currently headed by Wang Yang, former Chinese vice premier and a current member of the Chinese regime's top decision-making body, the Politburo Standing Committee.

"This raises concerns about whether the push for EVs over gas-fueled vehicles will make America even more reliant on the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) instead of American energy resources," the lawmakers wrote. "It is troubling that the Administration-endorsed EV future is already eliminating American jobs while benefiting China."

In August 2021, Biden signed an executive order, with one of the goals being that half of all vehicles sold in the United States in 2030 be zero-transmission vehicles. In May, electric vehicles accounted for 6.1 percent of new cars sold in the United States.

The Inflation Reduction Act, legislation that Biden signed into law on Aug. 16, offers tax credits of up to \$7,500 for people buying a new electric vehicle and \$4,000 for those purchasing a used one. The tax relief program has been criticized by some Republican lawmakers as benefiting only wealthy Americans, given the higher cost of electric vehicles compared to gasoline models.



Tesla cars recharging at a Tesla Supercharger station in Pasadena, Calif., on April 14, 2022.

Also in their letter, the lawmakers questioned Buttigieg's statement during a congressional hearing in July, when he said the rise of U.S. domestic clean energy production would be "creating a lot of jobs."

"As the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and an advocate for Americans' widespread adoption of EVs, your agency is in a position to explain how Ford's actions help American

workers and the economy," the letter reads.

The lawmakers wanted Buttigieg to schedule a briefing with Oversight Committee Republicans before Aug. 31.

"We request that you provide the Republican staff of the Committee a briefing to address the loss of American jobs and industry to China and other nations," the lawmakers wrote.

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