

## Brewster council looks at upgrading water system charges

By MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – A public hearing scheduled for the city council’s regular virtual meeting on Dec. 9 concerning the latest Gebbers Farms H-2A housing project on Indian Avenue has been postponed until January 2021.

The dormitory-style structure is the sixth of eight buildings scheduled to be built on the Indian Avenue property to house agricultural workers. The structures have satisfied the city’s initial concern about the additional hookup to the city sewer system.

In other business council members asked for additional time to implement changes to the city’s system development charges to bring them in line with those recommended by the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

“They asked for more time since the online quorum process takes so long,” said city clerk-treasurer Misty Ruiz.

The AWWA is the go-to organization for municipalities that want to bring their city water operations up to current standards of practice.

“All we want is to be fair,” said Ruiz of charges levied for residents and businesses alike.

From All In WA and Seattle Foundation

## PBCRC receives \$50K COVID relief grant

By MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – The Pateros Brewster Community Resource Center announced this week that it has received a substantial grant for COVID-affected people in the Quad City area just in time for the holidays.

“The big news is the ‘All In WA’ Relief Grant,” said PBCRC Executive Director Gene Dowers. “The PBCRC award is \$50,000 that we will use to provide \$600 stimulus checks to members of our communities.”

All in WA has joined with the Seattle Foundation to provide \$7.8M in grants to 109 of over 400 applicants including 95 non-profits and 14 tribes. PBCRC is one of the successful grant applicants.

Dowers said the funds will



Gene Dowers, PBCRC Executive Director

be distributed to those who:

- have contracted COVID and lost wages.
- have contracted COVID and are unable to pay their medical bills.

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## Bridgeport Mayor Janet Conklin: ‘Do you want to take a chicken to court?’

By GARY BÉGIN,  
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BRIDGEPORT – No, Bridgeport Mayor Janet Conklin wasn’t threatening to sue the local chicken ranch when she uttered these memorable words: “Do you want to take a chicken to court?”

She was venting to the city council during the Dec. 16 meeting about runaway birds and noisy roosters and wanted something done about it. No one else on the council agreed that it was that much of a problem. In fact, it was brought up that the city code enforcement officer should not have to pick and choose which ordinances to enforce and which to turn a blind eye to.

The question arose “what is the point of having codes if only a selected few were subject to enforcement.” Another speaker pointed out that a previous time a code violation was brought to court the city had to pay attorney and court fees.

Specifically, the potential chicken ordinance was compared to having too many cars on one residential lot. That’s another item Mayor Conklin was unhappy about, stating that she’s seen “15 in one yard.”

The Wednesday city council meeting also involved “the old pig farm,” but to keep proper perspective, this story will go back to the chickens.

Mayor Conklin said, “there are chickens everywhere!” She said the allowed amount was six birds with a permit, but “people don’t even bother getting permits.” She threw the topic out for discussion, stating “it’s like playing whack-a-mole.”



Bridgeport Mayor Janet Conklin

Conklin wanted to “rescind chicken permits” or she said, “we need to start fining them” (the owners of said birds, not the chickens). Still, as insistent as the mayor was with her fowl language, no other councilman took the bait and engaged her in any meaningful discussion.

In fact, one councilman said he “had never lived in a town that didn’t allow chickens.”

“I don’t know if we should take them out of town or eat them?” Conklin pleaded, with some level of exasperation.

In the interest of public safety and education and to help the mayor explain the importance of this issue, the Quad City Herald is happy to present the Bridgeport Municipal code, which states about “yardbirds:”

6.12.010 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to establish standards for the keeping of chickens in a manner that will not endanger the health, peace and safety of the citizens of the city and will promote that the chickens will be kept in a clean and sanitary condition and not be subject to suffering, cruelty or abuse. (Ord. 687 § 1 (part), 2018)

6.12.020 Conditions. Chickens may be kept and maintained only on residentially zoned properties in the city as uses accessory to the residential use of the property and only in accordance with other city regulations pertaining to animals and subject to the following conditions and requirements:

A. The owner or occupant (with permission of the owner) must secure and maintain a permit from the city issued pursuant to Section 6.12.030 prior to keeping chickens on the subject property.

B. Each application for a chicken permit must include the following information:

1. Name and mailing address of applicant. If the applicant is a tenant or occupant of the property where the chickens are proposed to be kept, the owner must also approve the application.
2. Number of chickens proposed to be kept, up to six.
3. Physical location address and identification of zoning where chicken(s) will be kept.
4. A property site plan of the proposed coop and run/fencing drawn to scale. The site plan must identify the location of the chicken coop and enclosure as they relate to the property lines and setbacks outlined in this chapter.
5. Description of coop or enclosure material and size.
6. Description of attached run or fencing material and size.
7. Signature of owner(s) and/or occupant(s).

C. Each application must be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee, which fee is established by resolution of the city council from time to time.

D. The completed application must be mailed or delivered to the city clerk at City Hall.

E. The mayor’s authorized designee will review each application for completeness, accuracy, and compliance with the standards set forth in this chapter. The mayor’s authorized designee will issue a determination on the application within thirty days of the date of receipt of the complete application. If the mayor’s designee rejects an application for failure to meet the requirements in this chapter, the application fee will not be refunded. If the application meets the requirements set forth in this chapter, the mayor or designee will cause the permit to be issued.

F. Permits must be renewed annually from the date of issuance. The annual permit renewal fee shall be established from time to time by city council. Renewal fees not paid within thirty days render a permit revoked. Once a permit has been revoked for failure to pay licensing fees, the owner or occupant must apply for a new permit using the procedures set forth above. (Ord. 687 § 1 (part), 2018)

6.12.030 Permit required.

A. Chickens may only be kept or maintained on qualifying residential property pursuant to a valid permit issued by the city pursuant to this section. An application for a permit for keeping chickens shall be submitted on a form provided by the city and accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee.

B. No more than six chickens shall be permitted to be kept for each one-family

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## County to receive first shipment of COVID-19 vaccine

By MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – In a week when the nation passed another grim milestone – 300,000 confirmed COVID deaths – Okanogan County is one among 13 of Washington state’s 39 counties to receive shipments of the two-dose Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine.

A media release from the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) said the state will receive an allocation of 44,850 doses of COVID-19 vaccine rather than the 74,100 doses it was expecting to receive.

The vaccine will be administered in accordance with Phase 1a guidelines which includes frontline health workers and long-term care

residents and staff.

Just last week North Valley Extended Care in Tonasket reported 16 COVID deaths being the county total to 31 in an updated release from Okanogan County Public Health.

“We were not given an explanation as to why our allocation was reduced, and we do not currently have allocation numbers beyond next week,” a DOH media release disclosed on Thursday, Dec. 17. “We still expect to receive the remaining Pfizer-BioNTech doses we ordered for this first week (62,400 total doses).”

Last Friday, Dec. 18, the Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved as second vaccine by U.S. drug maker Moderna and supplies of that vaccine should begin shipments this week.

Courtesy of Kroger, Walgreens

## Food, care kits now available at Pateros Brewster Community Resource Center

By MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – By way of the Washington Department of Health (DOH) and a referral from the North Central Accountable Community of Health (NCACH), the Pateros Brewster Community Resource Center (PBCRC) has received a supply of Food Kits and Care Kits donated by Kroger Foods and Walgreen Drugs. The kits are earmarked for those quarantined or isolated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Our location in the old grocery store in Pateros is ideal for this kind of relief effort,” said PBCRC Executive

Director Gene Dowers. “Part of our 5,000-square-foot warehouse is already being used by Okanogan County Long Term Recovery to store and distribute relief supplies to survivors of the Cold Spring/Pearl Hill Fires and we didn’t have to think twice about using another part of the space to become part of this DOH project.”

PBCRC received 288 Food Kits and 120 Care Kits.

“Each Food Kit has dried and canned staple foods that will feed an adult for 3-5 days, dependent on portion size,” said Dowers. “Each Care Kit contains face masks, vinyl gloves, soap, and a thermometer.”

The kits are intended for folks who are shut in because they are sick, have been exposed to those who are sick, or are at high risk of lethal complications if they get infected, Dowers said.

The kits will be distributed via no-contact doorstep delivery by PBCRC and the Brewster Chamber of Commerce to those who cannot get out to get food. Those in need should call the PBCRC office at 923-7460.

**Gift cards, too**

PBCRC in partnership with the Pateros-Brewster Long Term Recovery Organization (PBLTRO) also was the recipient of a grant to provide COVID relief to Pateros and

Brewster residents through the Pateros-Brewster Pandemic Relief Project.

“PBLTRO partnered with the Resource Center to distribute this assistance in the form of gift cards from local businesses,” said Dowers. “To date, gift cards are available for gas at Howard’s in Pateros and for food at Brewster Market Place and Mi Pueblo in Brewster.”

Those affected by COVID in Pateros and Brewster can stop by the PBCRC office, just next door to the Bakery in Pateros. Vouchers are also available at PBCRC, a Service Extension Partner with The Salvation Army, providing assistance for those with emergency needs.

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# Okanogan County Jail inmates provided COVID-19 testing

By Mike Maltais  
STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – Earlier this month the Okanogan County Jail provided COVID-19 testing for 70 inmates who had not previously been tested, said Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley.

“This testing was conducted in coordination with Lifeline Ambulance and Okanogan County Public Health,” said Hawley. “Only 22 inmates agreed to be tested and of those, 21 tested negative and one tested positive.”

Hawley added that the one inmate who tested positive has not exhibited any symptoms and has been separated from other inmates since being booked last month.

“Due to the inmate’s isolation prior to testing, there is a negligible risk of COVID transmission to any other inmates or staff,” said Hawley. “This inmate continues to be quarantined and monitored by corrections staff.”

Eleven more inmates were tested on Dec. 16 with one having a rapid test and the other 10 having tests to be sent to a lab. The rapid test



Tony Hawley, Okanogan County Sheriff

also provided a negative result.

Hawley said his office expected to have the tests results within a few days.

“All those previously testing positive, staff and inmates, have been cleared of quarantine and symptom free,” Hawley said.

Hawley said staff at the jail will continue to monitor inmates for COVID infection and will remain in contact with Okanogan County Public Health.

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dwelling unit, as that term is defined in Title 17, that is occupied and exists on the property.

C. Male chickens or roosters are not allowed.

D. Chickens shall be kept in a well-ventilated, enclosed coop constructed to protect the chickens against varying weather conditions and predators. The coop shall have an attached, enclosed run, or shall be fully surrounded and enclosed by fencing. The coop and run/fence combined shall provide a minimum of eight square feet of ground space per chicken. If fencing is used in lieu of an enclosed run, chicken wings must be trimmed to avoid flight or escape from the fence. Fencing must also comply with applicable requirements set forth in Title 17.

E. All coops shall be located within a side or rear yard only. Coops, including runs or fencing, shall be at least twenty-five feet from any neighboring dwelling and ten feet from any property line. No portion of any coop, run, or fence shall be within ten feet of any property line unless the property line abuts an alley.

F. All coops, including runs or fencing, shall be kept in a neat, sanitary, dust-free condition and must be cleaned on

a regular basis so as to prevent offensive odors. Regular removal of waste, food, bedding, and other debris shall be performed to eliminate accumulation of insects, rodents, or disease and to eliminate noxious or offensive odors detectable beyond any property line; provided, however, waste shall not be disposed of in such a way as to enter the city’s sewer or stormwater system.

G. At no time shall any chicken be allowed to run at large. (Ord. 687 §1 (part), 2018)

6.12.040 Permit revocation—Appeals. A. Any violation of Section 6.12.020(B) through (G) will result in revocation of the permit to keep or maintain chickens at the subject property. Whether a violation has occurred will be determined by the authorized designee appointed by the mayor.

B. An owner or occupant may appeal the decision to revoke the permit to the mayor. The appeal must be filed in writing with the city clerk within ten days of the date of receipt of notice that the permit has been revoked. Once the appeal has been filed, the city clerk shall schedule an appeal hearing with the mayor to occur no less than five days

and no more than thirty days following receipt of the appeal. The mayor shall conduct an informal hearing with the appellant, and render a written decision on the appeal within ten days of the hearing. The mayor’s decision shall be final. There shall be no appeals to the city council.

C. Once a permit has been revoked, the owner or occupant will be prohibited from obtaining a permit to keep or maintain chickens on the subject property or any other property occupied by that owner/occupant for a period of two years. (Ord. 687 § 1 (part), 2018)

6.12.050 Violation—Penalty. In addition to permit revocation for violations set forth in Section 6.12.040, a violation of any provision in this chapter shall subject the violator to a maximum monetary civil penalty of two hundred fifty dollars for the first offense and a maximum monetary civil penalty of five hundred dollars for each subsequent offense committed within a twelve-month period. (Ord. 687 § 1 (part), 2018)

Also on the agenda:

Presentation:

- Planning Commission Proposed 2021 Docket, Kurt

Danison

- Downtown Revitalization Plan, Kurt Danison

Action items:

- Council Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2020
- EMS Write-off for November
- Ordinance 20-711, 2021 Final Budget (2nd Reading)
- Ordinance 20-713, Amend 2020 Final Budget (1st & 2nd Reading)
- Resolution 20-07, 2021 Fee Schedule
- Contract for Code Enforcement with Douglas County
- Set Public Hearing Dates ~ Downtown Revitalization Plan & CDBG #1918 Finalization

Discussion:

- Bridgeport School Farm

During final comments, Mayor Conklin said she will meet virtually (GoToMeeting) with State Representatives Mike Steele and Keith Goehner on Jan. 6 to discuss upcoming legislation scheduled for the 2021 State House session.

Approximately 12 persons attended the city council meeting, with nearly all of them being members of the council or city staff.

Call 509-686-4041 for more information on Bridgeport issues, future meetings and agendas.

# Task Force makes drug bust in school zone

By Mike Maltais  
STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – Agents of the North Central Washington Narcotics Task Force (NCWNTF) made a drug bust in an Okanogan school zone following a multi-month investigation.

On Dec. 17, NCWNTF agents, the Okanogan County Sheriff’s Office, Omak Police Department, Colville Tribal Police Department and US Border Patrol executed a narcotics search warrant at a residence on Queen Street in Okanogan. The action followed a four-month long investigation on the illegal sale of narcotics from a residence near the Okanogan Middle School. During this investigation, detectives made multiple con-

trolled buys from a window of the residence.

“During the course of the search, law enforcement members located narcotics paraphernalia and several items believed to have been stolen,” wrote NCWNTF Supervisor Josh Petker in his report. “Care was taken during the execution of the search warrant to not impede with the operations of the Okanogan School District.”

Petker said detectives are continuing to investigate several local burglaries that may be linked to the items located inside the residence.

Cheyenne Lezard, 25, of Okanogan was booked into Okanogan County Jail for two counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine) within a School Zone.

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- have lost wages because of quarantine due to exposure to COVID-19, or
- have not received unemployment benefits because of the backlog at the ESD (Employment Security Department),
- are in need because of non-essential business closures, or
- because of lack of tax record or documentation, did not qualify to receive a stimulus check from the Federal government at the beginning of the pandemic.

Dowers said PBCRC will respond to referrals from their partners at WorkSource, Family Health Centers, Confluence Health, Housing Authority of Okanogan County, Okanogan County Community Action Council, Economic Alliance, the Brewster Chamber of Commerce, and the Pateros and Brewster School Districts.

“We will personally interview those who come into the office without referral,” said Dowers. “Our office is located

at 169 Pateros Mall, Suite A in Pateros. Please call 509-923-7460.”

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Senior meals, Dec. 23, 29-31

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Thursday, Dec. 24

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Friday, Dec. 25

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DEATH NOTICES

Harold H. Knibbs

Harold H. Knibbs, 81, a long-time resident of Bridgeport, Washington, was born March 30, 1939 and passed away November 13, 2020, in Kennewick, Washington. Services will be held at a later date.



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Dec. 29, 31

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Dec. 28

Douglas County PUD meeting

EAST WENATCHEE - The next meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is Dec. 28, 1:30 p.m. at the District’s East Wenatchee office. To comply with the Open Public Meetings act due to COVID-19, a conference phone line number will be provided at the top of the Draft Agenda posted on their website under Latest News the Friday before the meeting.

Help available for Douglas County veterans

EAST WENATCHEE - Sarah Simonson the Veterans Service

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Submitting your Bulletin Board item – Deadline Friday at Noon p.m.

Who: Any non-profit 501(c)3 group. Person(s) must submit full name and contact phone number. What: Items pertaining to local events, meetings etc., that are free or a minimum charge. Where: email to: ruthk@lakechelanmirror.com, subject line QCH Bulletin. Deadline: Friday at Noon p.m. Be sure and include date, time, place and cost if any.

Is Edward Snowden a false equivalency to Jane Fonda?



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Gary Bégin

Can we truly compare Edward Snowden's act of releasing classified American documents to “Hanoi Jane” Fonda? In response to a possible pardon for “whistleblower” Edward Snowden by President Donald Trump, Wyoming Republican Rep. Liz Cheney said, “Edward Snowden is a traitor. He is responsible for the largest and most damag-

ing release of classified info in U.S. history. He handed over U.S. secrets to Russian and Chinese intelligence putting our troops and our nation at risk. Pardoning him would be unconscionable.” So here’s the question, is Dick Cheney’s daughter being an extremist? I think not. She is right on. BTW – I call her Dick Cheney’s daughter (the former VP under George Bush the II) not from a lack of respect, but because she obviously rode that daddy’s name recognition into victory, but since Wyoming is a conservative state, she might have won anyway even if she called herself Jessabelle de Casper.



Liz Cheney

Back to the question of false equivalency. Jane Fonda upset millions of Americans, especially veterans, when she sat in an anti-aircraft battery (gun) during the Vietnam War ... an obviously traitorous thing to do, considering American men and women were still “in country” fighting the enemy. What Fonda did was reprehensible and, I believe, an act of betrayal. The photograph of her sitting and smiling while handling an instrument of death used against fellow Americans went worldwide. To this day, Vietnam Vets call her Hanoi Jane and even go so far as to place her likeness in urinals, however gross that may sound. That is how great the level of disgust is with her among these fellow citizens who placed their lives on the line when ordered to do so. For Fonda, it seemed all fun and games akin to a schoolgirl getting a ride in a military plane or having a surprise birthday party. Thanks to Cyndee Lauper we know, girls just wanna have fun ... (when appropriate). Fonda’s was an act of an obvious physical action captured for posterity in a photo, while Snowden’s act was unseen and unphotographed. In reality, Snowden’s actions were far worse than posing for a “bad judgement” photo opportunity

as in Fonda’s case. Of course, the psychological optics of an American movie star yucking it up with the same bunch of folks who shot down heroes like future senator John McCain was a major political “psyche warfare” victory for Ho of the North. We all realize, as sentient adults, that words or actions once uttered or done, can have serious consequences. I personally felt embarrassed by her and sadness for her father, Henry Fonda, a respectable and patriotic American actor, but sometimes kids rebel just because they haven’t the brains to know what good judgement is. Back to Snowden. He broke his oath, the one Fonda never took, to stand by Uncle Sam when he was in the CIA and again when he became an NSA (National Security Agency) contractor. He broke both and then ran like a coward. Did he do it for money? Who gives a rat’s petute what his motives were? He did what he did. Our fellow citizens were placed in harm’s way due to a selfish act masquerading as “whistleblowing.” The legally protected act of whistleblowing is not the same thing as exposing national secrets, let’s get that straight right off the bat. That’s why I put what Snowden did in quotes. Perhaps your liberal friends (or mine) may think it was a brave and honorable thing that Snowden handed secrets to our Cold War (which never ended) enemies, but think again. He wasn’t reporting on a failed government program that may have cost taxpayers money. He wasn’t pointing out a few corrupt government of-

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Due to the COVID19 Virus, churches have suspended Saturday and Sunday Services, Sunday School and meetings.

Please call or email your church listed below if you need more information.  
May you take time to pray, rest, meditate and reflect during this time. Stay well, stay strong and stay informed.



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# Rep. Schrier holds telephonic townhall, fields districtwide questions

STORY AND PHOTO BY GARY BÉGIN,MANAGING EDITOR

ISSAQUAH (VIA TELEPHONE) – U.S. House Representative Democrat Kim Schrier (WA-8) held a telephonic townhall Wednesday, Dec. 9 and responded to a slew of questions from across her district. The one-hour event had Schrier covering topics from isolationism to COVID-19. Here is some of the Q&A from that night:

“1% of global aid is reasonable,” Schrier said, in response to helping other nations. “Being isolationist backfires.” She said it was important for the U.S. to remain a “leader in the world.”

In regard to outdoor dining, Schrier explained the airborne nature of COVID-19 noting that even outdoor tents can result in spread of the virus if it were overcrowded and not following social distancing guidelines.

Schrier said Voter ID is a reasonable idea to most people, but said it may pose a roadblock to those who don’t drive and therefore have no, or an expired driver’s license.

One caller said the COVID-19 “was just another flu,” but Schrier explained that it really wasn’t. The caller wanted to know “why people can’t just go back to living their lives instead of waiting for another stimulus bill” and that he felt he was a hostage in his own home. Schrier re-emphasized the fact that “this is not the flu” and that the nation is fortunate the pandemic is not infecting young people and children to the extent as it does in the rest of the adult population. She said COVID can be caught twice in the same person, is highly asymptomatic and therefore



Kim Schrier, U.S. House Representative Democrat (WA-8)

makes it “disrespectful” to not wear a mask, noting this virus is “quite different than the flu and is “10 times more lethal” specifically pointing to the nationwide death toll.

One caller said she was against making the questions harder on the citizenship test, especially in light of the English as a second language population. Schrier agreed stating that it “seems punitive” and presents “another hurdle” towards citizenship.

Toxic tire runoff was singled out as the reason for so many deaths among the salmon fingerling populations in and around Puget Sound, according to one caller. Schrier said the issue was being studied. Apparently, when heavy rains wash road grit into sewer drains and then into local waterways, a chemical involved in the manufacture of tire rubber causes death to the fish once deposited into the water.

Schrier called on President Trump to get take the vaccine in public and tell the country it is safe to do so as well as mask-up and stay socially distanced. Schrier said that our country and the world, is polarized and part of that

was because we are listening to different news sources which accept or attack science depending on political points of view.

Schrier agreed that students under age 10 should be in school and an “at home” virus rapid test should be developed to families so they can test their children before sending them to school. She noted that, although younger Americans may not get infected as easily as the older population, they can still infect their parents and grandparents living at home, especially in multi-generational households.

Eastern Washingtonians will get the vaccine in a timely manner, she assured one caller from Chelan, but it was a matter of logistics as the Pfizer vaccine needed to be kept at extremely cold storage, -70 degrees, so special freezer units were needed. Schrier, the only pediatrician in Congress, said such freezers were not typically found in smaller clinics, but were usually in larger hospitals.

Schrier tackled a question from Auburn regarding a business owner who was upset that his previously received stimulus money would be taxable, per the IRS, and so it would be a great financial harm to his company. She said “it was not Congresses intent to hit” stimulus recipients with a tax bill and that she wanted the PPP money to not be taxed. Schrier said the 8th District has received 12,000 loans from the previous bailout and saved 100,000-plus jobs in the process.

Rep. Schrier complained about the “highly gerrymandered” Congressional districts across the nation which leads to House members pandering to their political bases and

not willing to open dialogs in order to compromise on many issues. She said she would call on her pediatrician background to “teach members to learn to play nicely with one another in the sandbox.”

In her answer to yet another COVID-19 question, Schrier stated that isolation at home can cause PTSD, anxiety and depression among the elderly and teenage populations. It also meant less exercising leading to weight gain. Schrier recommended constituents go to the Covidhelpwa.org state website for more information on getting help to combat the pandemic.

A Seattle Seahawks question came up regarding why the Seahawks can field a team and play close contact football games while small retail shops can’t even stay open. The caller said it sounded like rich entities were getting favorable treatment as opposed to smaller companies with little lobbying power. Schrier explained why the Seahawks were allowed to play, stating it was a matter of getting tested constantly, isolating themselves in a cocoon or “bubble” and thus not mixing themselves in with the rest of the potentially infected population.

One caller stated his unemployment money just ran out and his wife’s was about to and they are expecting a baby soon so why wasn’t there more urgency for a new stimulus bill. Schrier said both sides of the aisle were still in negotiations to get that done before the end of the year.

For more information from Rep. Schrier call (509)-850-5340 to speak to her Wenatchee (Central Washington) office.

Managing Editor Gary Bégin can be reached at: Gary@ncwmedia.net.

## DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

**Dec. 4**  
Alarm at Bridgeport Middle School, 1300 Douglas Ave. I Bridgeport.  
Suspicious incident at 21 Galbraith Rd. in Bridgeport.  
Warrant at Okanogan County Jail in Bridgeport.  
Welfare check at 1402 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Burglary at 606 State Route 173 on Bridgeport Bar.  
Trespass at 1524 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.

**Dec. 5**  
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.  
Agency assistance at Quik-E-Mart, 2606 Foster Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Civil incident at 700 Fairview Ave., #9A in Bridgeport.  
Noise at 2116 Foster Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.

**Dec. 6**  
Attempt to locate/attempt to contact at 1395 Rd. C N.W. in Mansfield.

Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.  
Harassment/threat at 1419 Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.

**Dec. 7**  
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.  
Harassment/threat at 2400 Tacoma Ave., #39 in Bridgeport.  
Non-injury accident at Foster Creek Avenue and State Route 17 in Bridgeport.

**Dec. 8**  
Fraud/forgery at 2011 Fisk Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Child protective services/adult protective services at 2400 Tacoma Ave., #40 in Bridgeport.

**Dec. 11**  
Traumatic injury at 404 S. Mansfield Blvd. in Mansfield.  
Littering at 1011 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Domestic disturbance at 410 23rd St. in Bridgeport.

## WVC Student Rec Center partners with Mission Ridge for free student tickets

SUBMITTED BY WENATCHEE VALLEY COLLEGE

WENATCHEE - The Jack and Edna Maguire Student Recreation Center (SRC) at Wenatchee Valley College has partnered with Mission Ridge to provide free lift tickets and equipment rentals to all enrolled WVC students.

Mission Ridge lift tickets and gear rentals are subject to availability and available in limited quantities. Tickets and rentals are first come, first served and must be reserved in advance via email to dzavala@wvc.edu. Students can find more information on the SRC Canvas page.

“We’re looking for ways to keep our students active and engaged while the SRC building is closed,” Zavala said. “They can’t come to us, so

we’re coming to them.”

Earlier this month, the SRC also announced a partnership with Life Fitness to offer a library of free workouts to WVC students and employees. Danny Zavala, SRC manager, said the partnership is the first of its kind among higher education institutions.

“We are one of few higher ed facilities in the nation to launch this program collaboratively with Life Fitness,” Zavala said. “We are thrilled with the outcome and hope students and employees enjoy our customized ‘Work Outs of The Day’ to kick start their health and wellness journey.”

Students and employees can access the SRC Canvas page through their Canvas account. More information can also be found at wvc.edu/StudentRec.

## Luke Davies named new administrator for Chelan- Douglas Health District

SUBMITTED BY CHELAN-DOUGLAS HEALTH DISTRICT

EAST WENATCHEE – Following a two-month search for a new administrator, the Chelan-Douglas Health District (CDHD) has hired Luke D. Davies, who grew up in Orondo, to lead the two-county agency.

Davies, who has a master’s in public health and extensive crisis management experience in multi-cultural settings, accepted the position this week and will begin his new role on Jan. 11.

“We are very excited to have Luke on board,” said Dan Sutton, chairman of the CDHD Board of Health. “It was a rigorous interview process that attracted candidates from around the state and beyond. For all the members of the selection committee, Luke stood out above the other candidates.”



Luke D. Davies, new administrator for Chelan-Douglas Health District

Davies comes from the University of Washington, where he is currently a program officer for the International Training and Education Center for Health.

“I am excited to join the incredible work that Chelan-Douglas Health District has been doing,” Davies said. “It

will be an honor to support the staff and partners who have been working tirelessly to improve health for our counties during this challenging time.”

An Orondo native, Davies graduated from Eastmont High School. His experience growing up in a farming family in North Central Washington inspired him to pursue an education in public health and sparked an interest in reducing disparities in health care, said Davies, who speaks multiple languages, including Spanish.

Davies earned a bachelor’s degree in biology, with an emphasis in biochemistry and anthropology, from Seattle Pacific University. He earned a master’s degree from the University of Washington.

While working on community development projects in the Caribbean, Davies broadened his interests to disaster management leadership while

in Haiti responding to the 2010 earthquake and cholera outbreak. He has worked for the University of Washington’s Department of Global Health in a variety of capacities and in a variety of areas, including in the Caribbean, Southeast Asia and sub-Saharan Africa. He

has supported programs and research in disaster management, disease surveillance, implementation science, health systems strengthening, maternal newborn child health, HIV prevention and treatment, violence against children and gender-based violence.



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THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

The Christmas Bird Count

By JOHN KRUSE, THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

It’s happened every year for 120 years and it will happen again in 2021, though the Covid-19 pandemic is making things a bit different this year. It’s the Audubon Christmas Bird Count and it takes place all over North America and other locales between December 14 and January 5. This is an annual census of birds, taken in designated circles by volunteers who get together to tally what kind of birds they see and how many over the course of one day during this time period. The circles are 15-miles in diameter and remain the same every year. There are circles located throughout Washington State though there are surprisingly none found in Grant or Adams County. As for who catalogs the species of birds seen and counts how many there are, any one is invited to participate. As you might imagine, enthusiastic bird watchers are keen to take part but beginners are also

welcome. Beginners will be paired with more experienced birders. This annual census is a valuable citizen science tool and shows population trends over time regarding different bird species. For example, checking historical data at the Audubon website for Washington State you’ll find wild turkey populations have grown nearly 40-fold since 1972 and the number of bald eagles has increased five-fold during this same time frame. Mike Munts, the compiler for the Chewelah area circle, notes the arrival and continuing increase in numbers of the Eurasian collared dove in recent years, something Joe Veverka, the compiler for the Leavenworth circle, noticed as well in Chelan County. On the other hand, some species are not doing very well. One of them is the gray (formerly known as the Hungarian) partridge, which has seen a 75 percent decrease in numbers since 1972. So where are Christmas Bird Counts taking place this year? Here’s a list of circles in the area our readers live in and the status of bird count

gatherings during this year of Covid-19 disruptions. BRIDGEPORT – Was scheduled to occur on December 16. CHELAN – Compiler Steve Easley says due to the pandemic, participants will not get together at the beginning or end of the count day which is taking place January 2. If you want to participate, call Easley at 509-682-2318 by Christmas Day. You will be on your own to count birds on the 2. After the count, participating volunteers can submit their count results to Easley by January 5. COLVILLE – Compiler Barbara Harding says that due to Covid-19, “We will not be doing our regular CBC COUNT on Dec 19. We are hoping to have our folks do feeder counts that day since many of them live within the count circle.” CHEWELAH – Compiler Mike Munts says the count in this circle is cancelled this year due to Covid-19 concerns. KLICKITAT VALLEY/COLUMBIA HILLS – The count is scheduled to take place December 27. Contact Samuel Holman by email at sam4cb@embarqmail.com if you would



Courtesy John Kruse

**Christmas Bird Counts show Eurasian collard dove numbers are increasing in Eastern Washington.** like to participate this year. LEAVENWORTH – Joe Veverka, the compiler for this circle, said the bird count took place December 15 though participation was limited due to pandemic related restrictions. WENATCHEE – The Christmas Bird Count in this circle

will take place on December 30. If you would like to be a part of this contact Dan Stephens at 509-682-6752 or by email at dstephens@wvc.edu as soon as possible. If you would like to find out more about the Audubon Christmas Bird Count (and

maybe establish a counting circle in your area if there is not one present), go to <https://www.audubon.org/conservation/science/christmas-bird-count> John Kruse – [www.northwesternoutdoors.com](http://www.northwesternoutdoors.com) and [www.americaoutdoorsradio.com](http://www.americaoutdoorsradio.com)

DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

SUBMITTED BY DOUGLAS COUNTY PUD

EAST WENATCHEE - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Molly Simpson, Ronald E. Skagen and Aaron J. Viebrock executed the following actions during the November 09, 2020 Commission meeting held at the District's East Wenatchee office:

- Closed the budget hearing for the Distribution System and Wells Hydroelectric Project for calendar year 2021.
- Opened bids under bid document 20-26-W, 2021-2022 heavy equipment services for the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The bids will be evaluated prior to a recommendation for contract award.
- Heard bid opening results for bid documents 20-24-D, Supply and Deliver 144 Count 600ft Span ADSS Fiber Optic Cable; 20-25-D, Supply and Deliver 144 Count Squirrel and Fire Resistant ADSS Fiber Optic Cable and 20-12-W, Rebuild the Limitorque Fish Ladder Collection Chamber Entrance Gate Operators at the Wells Hydroelectric Project. All bids will be evaluated prior to a recommendation for contract awards.
- Awarded and recognized promotion of Assistant Manager – Natural Resources and Dam Safety Shane Bickford



Shane Bickford

with his twenty-five year service award. Commissioner Simpson thanked Shane on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County for his years of service. Shane thanked the Commission and said “It has been humbling to be able to work on complex and challenging projects. I appreciate the District entrusting these projects to me and I am looking forward to the next chapter.”

- Adopted the 2021 Distribution System budget which 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 decrease \$14.4 million. The capital budget is \$41.6 million, of which \$21.3 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.
- Adopted the 2021 Wells Project Operating Expense Budget which totals \$50.9 million. The Capital Budget totals \$40.7 million. Major items include generating unit refurbishment, 450T gantry crane replacement, recreation action plan items, fire protection system upgrade (Phase 2), and generator circuit breaker replacements.
- Approved the Environmental Reviews for the 2021 Distribution System Capital Budget and the 2021 Wells Hydroelectric Project Operating, Capital and Extraordinary Expense Budget.
- Authorized a legal services agreement with the law firm of Jeffers, Danielson, Sonn and Aylward, P.S. Effective January 1, 2021 through January 1, 2022.
- Approved acceptance of work and final payment to Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC for the first year under contract 19-04-D, provide Distribution

- tree trimming services. All work is complete and determined to meet bid specifications. (20-218)
- Authorized change order No. 1 to contract 20-18-D, supply and deliver 115 kV and 230 kV instrument transformers to Lincoln Rock Switchyard. Due to design changes, an additional set of transformers are required which increases the not-to-exceed cost \$21,270.
- Approved change order No. 1 to contract 20-19-D, supply and deliver 230 kV and 115 kV breakers to Lincoln Rock Switchyard. Due to design changes, one of the 230 kV breakers originally requested is not needed which reduces the not-to-exceed cost \$98,752.50.
- Authorized a request for qualifications 20-31-D, professional engineering services for General Civil Engineering Services. The District has project specific needs for general civil engineering work related to the transmission and distribution systems which include roadway and site design.
- Approved change order No. 90 to contract 06-41-W, generator rebuild for unit refurbishment for the Wells Hydroelectric Project. This change incorporates the additional base work necessary for units 6-10. This will increase the contract \$2,500,944 for the 6th unit and bring the total not-to-exceed amount to \$215,207,284. (20-222)
- Authorized award of contract 20-01-W, replace battery bank 2 at the Wells Hydroelectric Project to Olsson Industrial Electric.
- Affirmed addendum No. 1 to bid document 20-27-W, 2021-2022, forebay debris removal services for the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The addendum adds a crane and barge to the bid schedule and extends the bid opening date two weeks.
- Approved professional service agreement 20-21-W, professional land survey and land use consulting services to 48 Degrees North LLC.
- Authorized professional service agreement 20-22-W, engineering services, Wells

- Project recreation facilities with Pacific Engineering and Design, PLLC.
- Approved professional service agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation for on-call archaeological services. The District has a continuing need for technical assistance in the management of Wells Hydroelectric Project archaeological resources. The three year agreement is not-to-exceed \$75,000.
- Authorized professional service agreement with Anchor QEA, LLC for HCP Policy and Coordinating Committees Chairperson and administrative services and reporting for all HCP Committees including the HCP Annual Report. This two year contract is not-to-exceed \$190,000.
- Approved professional service agreement with Columbia Research Specialists, LLC for white sturgeon monitoring and evaluation. Necessary to implement the White Sturgeon Management Plan as required by the Aquatic Settlement Agreement. This two year agreement is not-to-exceed \$167,580.
- Authorized professional service agreement with the Okanagan Nation Alliance for the operational deployment and assessment of the Okanagan Fish Water Management Tool as required by the Wells HCP. This three year agreement is not-to-exceed \$810,000.
- Approved a request for proposals 20-32-W, customer website redesign.
- Authorized agreement with North Central Educational Service District (NCESD) in the amount of \$34,401.17 for the 2020-2021 school year. In effect since 1988, 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.
- Approved use of Voluntary Employees’ Beneficiary Association (VEBA) Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) for employees retiring in 2021. This allows the deposit of a percentage of the employee’s accrued personal leave at retirement into the HRA-VEBA.
- Authorized an employee assistance program agreement with KEPRO Acquisitions, Inc. For several years Douglas PUD has offered the service of an Employee Assistance Program to all employees and their immediate families. The cost to Douglas PUD is \$3.49 per employee per month.
- Approved engagement letters with Cordell, Neher & Company for deferred compensation plan administration.
- Authorized District purchase of pollution legal liability insurance with Markel.
- Approved the renewal of excess liability insurance coverage with AEGIS Insurance Services and Energy Insurance Mutual.
- Authorized renewal of general liability and automobile insurance coverage with Everest National Insurance Company and Markel American Insurance Company.
- Renewed aviation insurance for unmanned aircraft systems with Global Aerospace.
- Authorized land use permit 57A-03 and Railroad Permit RR 57-09, Chad and Carrie Stalder. The permit is for use of Project lands for existing boat dock, gangplank, buoy , lawn and landscaping. (20-240)
- The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Dec. 28, at the District’s East Wenatchee Office. The District Office is closed to the public in response to the COVID-19 guidance from Governor Inslee. To comply with the Open Public Meetings act, a conference phone line number will be provided at the top of the Draft Agenda posted on our website under Latest News the Friday before the meeting.



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ficials. Snowden, as in Fonda’s case, was an adult and as such needs to be held responsible for breaching national secrets. Fonda’s irresponsible act seems a bit on the frivolous, naïve and outright ignorant side where Hollywood stars showed little or no empathy to countrymen in a conflict during a controversial war. Edward Snowden is exactly what Congresswoman Liz Cheney called him: A traitor. If he is repatriated to the U.S., his case meets the criteria for the death penalty. Patriotic

Americans should not shed a tear if that comes to pass. Snowden’s acts of betrayal were without a doubt, far less conspicuous than Fonda’s, but for both overt and covert reasons, his actions pose deadlier consequences. Young veterans from the “Sandbox” conflicts may not know anything about Hanoi Jane, but please, if you guys ever want to understand your elders better, Google her nickname and make sure you stare at what a photo of treason looks like. Soak it in a while and then think how you would have felt if actors George Clooney or Matt Damon visited the Taliban or

ISIS or Saddam Hussein and posed with AK47’s while your butt was in a Humvee that just rolled over an Improvised Explosive Device (IED). BTW – Have any veterans out there considered not liking the Atlanta Braves? Ted Turner owns that team and the Braves’ First Lady is no other than ... Jane Fonda. About the author: Gary Bégin is a former Marine Corps Staff Sergeant and spent 22 years in several federal agencies. Bégin is currently the managing editor of NCW Media, owner of four community weeklies as well as the Wenatchee Business Journal. Bégin can be contacted at: [Gary@ncwmedia.net](mailto:Gary@ncwmedia.net)







# Seven reasons to get the COVID vaccine

I hope you have a safe and sacred Christmas. I am very thankful that the COVID vaccine is finally available. Please make sure you get vaccinated against COVID, too.

## Here are 7 Reasons I'm Getting the COVID Vaccine:

### 1. I don't want to risk my health.

One of the scariest aspects of COVID is its unpredictability. Although it causes only mild discomfort in most people, COVID can occasionally trigger a severe and potentially fatal reaction. This immune "storm" can create multiple clots in your lungs, heart, or kidneys, threatening your health.

Some people who survive their severe COVID infection still suffer from shortness of breath, and doctors don't know how to make them better. I don't want to gamble that I will have just a mild case of COVID. I'd rather train my body to fight it off by getting vaccinated.

### 2. The science makes sense.

Having been a pharmacist



for over 40 years, I remember the swine flu vaccine disaster and its cause: cutting corners and allowing a product to be used without sufficient testing. Thankfully, we've learned a lot since then.

Much of the science behind the new COVID vaccines have been in use for YEARS in our annual flu vaccine formulations. For example, manufacturing viral-like fragments without growing them in egg culture is faster and perfectly safe for those allergic to eggs or feathers. Our clinic has been using this flu vaccine, Flucel-vax®, for the last 3 years with no problems.

The over-65 flu vaccine has had 2 different formulas for the last 3 years: a "high dose" and an "adjuvanted" version. Our clinic has used the adjuvanted flu vaccine formulation with no problems.

One of the reasons the

COVID vaccine has taken less time to create is that many pieces had already been developed. With the FOCUS and FUNDING provided by Operation Warp Speed, these newer science and technology areas could be brought together to target the COVID virus.

### 3. To preserve healthcare access for everyone.

Our community lost one of its two hospitals in late January 2020 and struggled to weather the COVID pandemic. This week, our remaining hospital has an entire FLOOR plus half of the intensive care beds battling COVID. Although hospital staff has been faithful with wearing personal protective equipment, COVID has begun to spread among them. Having adequate space AND hospital staff available to take care of your illness or surgery is critical.

### 4. Adjuvants are proven immune boosters.

We have been adding adjuvants to vaccines to increase their effectiveness for years. The old shingles vaccine was a live attenuated virus and

provided only 50% protection against shingles. The new shingles vaccine contains viral particles that cannot infect you, plus a compound called an adjuvant to boost its effect. This has given the more recent Shingrix® vaccine well over 90% effectiveness.

Influenza vaccines are notorious for providing only about 50-60% of protection for older adults. There are 2 formulations designed for older adults to trigger a better response to the vaccine: one with a higher concentration and the other with an adjuvant. The "high dose" formula has 4 times the amount found in the standard vaccine or the adjuvanted one. Using an adjuvant instead of manufacturing 4 times the concentration is much faster to create.

### 5. mRNA vaccines are safer than older live virus vaccines.

Vaccines used to be made by using live but weakened versions of the virus to trigger an immune response. Newer science which allows the use of fragments of a virus that

cannot replicate itself is much safer. Unfortunately, your immune system doesn't readily recognize viral fragments as a threat.

Adding an adjuvant to a virus fragment helps get the attention of your immune system, like someone waving at you and yelling, "Over here!" Once the adjuvant gets your immune system's attention, the viral mRNA attached to it provides a blueprint of what your body needs to create effective antibodies against the virus.

### 6. My experience will help others.

Several clinical trials for the COVID vaccines (my sister-in-law was enrolled in one of those trials) have been completed. Some people may still have concerns about trying something so new.

Fear not, as a whole bunch of doctors, nurses, nurse aides, and other health care workers like pharmacists, paramedics, and emergency medical technicians will be vaccinated against COVID ahead of you. As a bonus, we are plugged

into the medical community, and if there are issues, we will report them. By the time you get your first dose, doctors will know even more about what to expect.

### 7. Feeling crummy for a few days is actually a GOOD thing.

With newer, more effective vaccines like shingles and COVID, your body gets "revved up" to fight off future infection. This is sometimes accompanied by 1-2 days of fatigue, fever, muscle aches, headache, and other symptoms. This is NOT the vaccine giving you the illness, just a temporary reaction associated with getting an excellent immune response from the vaccine.

*Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 40-year veteran of pharmacology and author of Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely. Check out her NEW website TheMedication-Insider.com for daily tips on how to take your medicine safely. ©2020 Louise Achey*

# Recap of recent COVID-19 news, updates

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## Statewide Response Updates

Newest numbers. The Department of Health reported a total of 209,344 confirmed cases as of 11:59 pm on December 16. There have been 3,117 COVID-19 deaths in Washington.

For the most recent tally of cases by county, demographics, and more, visit the Department of Health's dashboard and the state's COVID-19 risk assessment dashboard.

Over 1,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses given to high-risk health workers in Washington state as federal changes reduce statewide allocation. As of December 16 at midnight, providers in Washington state had reported giving a total of 1,159 COVID-19 vaccine doses

to high-risk health workers. Vaccination began this week for Phase 1A groups, which include frontline health workers and long-term care residents and staff.

Updated vaccine allocation numbers. The Department of Health was contacted by Operation Warp Speed yesterday evening and told that Washington's Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine allocation will be 44,850 doses rather than the 74,100 doses we were expecting to receive.

We were not given an explanation as to why our allocation was reduced, and we do not currently have allocation numbers beyond next week. We still expect to receive the remaining Pfizer-BioNTech doses we ordered for this first week (62,400 total doses). Read the full news release here.

Inslee announces updated school guidance for in-person instruction. Gov. Jay Inslee and Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal today announced an update in the metrics used to inform local school district decisions for in-person learning. They also announced \$3 million from set aside funds to be distributed to implement health and safety protocols.

The update to the school health and safety toolkit comes after recent data showed limited COVID-19 transmission in school environments when state health and safety protocols are implemented.

### A new back-to-school plan:

State releases updated guidance around in-person learning. The Department of Health (DOH) released updated metrics to help local leaders and school

officials make decisions about in-person learning and the risk of transmission of COVID-19 in the school environment.

Changes to the metrics include revisions to the COVID-19 incidence rates to consider when making decisions about who to prioritize for in-person learning. We've also included further clarification that local leaders also should consider test positivity and trends in cases and hospitalizations to inform decisions about expansion of in-person learning.

In addition to the updated metrics, DOH announced an increased focus on the health and safety measures that are required by law for the provision of any in-person learning in private or public K-12 schools. Read the full news release here.

### Governor Inslee Press Conference on COVID-19 on December 16, 2020.

Governor Jay Inslee held a press conference at the State Capitol to give an update on the state's response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and provide new guidance around schools. Recording available from TVW here.

December 16 COVID-19 response update media briefing recording available. A recording of this week's COVID-19 response update media briefing with leaders from the state COVID-19 response is available from TVW here.

Antigen positive tests results now included in DOH dashboards. The Washington State Department of Health began including antigen-positive COVID-19 cases in the COVID-19 Data Dashboard and the COVID-19 Risk Assessment Dashboard. Since September 30, antigen-positive testing data have been included in a separate weekly report because at the time, we were not able to roll these results into the

main dashboards for reporting. With this inclusion, reporting antigen-positive test results will provide a more accurate picture of community transmission and help guide efforts to respond to COVID-19.

Coping with COVID: Healthy communication. During the December holidays in the COVID-19 pandemic, there are many opportunities for tough conversations with family and friends. We may have differing opinions on how to celebrate the holidays while keeping ourselves and our families safe, and it can be hard to share those opinions when you want to keep the peace. In this episode of DOH's Coping with COVID podcast series, Kira Mauseth, PhD and Doug Dicharry, MD discuss what's happening with our emotions and behaviors, and skills for having challenging conversations during stressful times.

Job search requirements currently optional. Job search requirements are currently suspended for regular and extended unemployment benefits. When the requirements are reinstated, you will need to comply with the job search requirements specific to Extended Benefits. When claiming extended benefits, one must contact at least four employers each week.

### Inslee issues proclamation on prison commitments.

Gov. Jay Inslee issued a proclamation today prohibiting unapproved transportation of individuals to state correctional facilities.

This proclamation prohibits all public agencies from transporting any individual to a state correctional facility without the advance permission of the Department of Corrections, and waives relevant statutory obligations for DOC to accept

those transfers. This effort will assist the DOC in mitigating the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This order is effective immediately and expires January 3, 2021.

### Resources

Latest COVID-19 reopening guidance for businesses and workers. A full list of current reopening guidance is available here.

Find a COVID-19 testing location near you. To make it easier to find a test near you, the Department of Health has created a webpage to help people find COVID-19 testing locations throughout the state.

Guidance and resources for employers and business owners. Sign up for the weekly business and worker newsletter here.

State COVID-19 Assistance Hotline is a general information line related to COVID-19. If you need information or have a general question, call 1-800-525-0127 or text 211-211 for help. You can also text the word "Coronavirus" to 211-211 to receive information and updates on your phone wherever you are. You will receive links to the latest information on COVID-19, including county-level updates, and resources for families, businesses, students, and more.

Washington Listens helps people manage stress and anxiety they may be experiencing because of COVID-19. If you or anyone you know is having difficulties managing stress, call the Washington Listens support line at 1-833-681-0211. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. TTY and language access services are available by using 7-1-1 or their preferred method. Resources and self-help tips are available on walistens.org.

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