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# Skyline Rural Watch Newsline

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## Oregon 127 – Cornelius Pass Highway – Paving from Skyline to U.S. 30

**Project Description:** ODOT is repaving OR 127, or Cornelius Pass Road, between NW Skyline Boulevard and U.S. 30 in May and June.

**Traffic Impacts:** Nighttime single lane closures with flaggers directing traffic on Cornelius Pass Road between Skyline Boulevard and U.S. 30 from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. beginning Monday, May 17.

Most work will happen on Monday through Thursday nights, with the possibility of weekend nighttime work as well.

### HELP WANTED:

Occasional odd jobs for a high-school student in the Skyline and Cornelius Pass neighborhood. Work ranges from strenuous manual labor to lighter yard maintenance tasks. Email to [brucepenney@gmail.com](mailto:brucepenney@gmail.com).

### BACKYARD BURN SEASON BEGINS 3/1 - CALL BEFORE YOU BURN 503-259-1789

Residential "backyard" outdoor burning is limited to approved burn days and hours during the spring (March 1-June 15) and fall (October 1- December 15). This allows for limited outdoor burning of yard debris, leaves and tree trimmings in accordance with DEQ Rules and ODF rules.

- Check the TVF&R Outdoor Burning Map at Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Burn Restrictions ([arcgis.com](http://arcgis.com)) to see if your address is allowed residential backyard debris burning.
- Next, if burning is allowed in your area, find out whether it is an approved burn day by calling TVF&R's Burn Message at 503-259-1789. Call before you burn!

**And don't forget those weed wrench's are available for loan from SRN.** Borrow a tool to eliminate Scotch broom, holly and other woody shrubs, sapling trees easily. SRN will lend 3 sizes of Weed Wrench. Contact Sen 503.621.3331 for large and medium size (Skyline near mile marker 5). Contact Laura 503.407.7175 for small size (McNamee Rd.).



## WMSWCD May Board Meeting Announcement

West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District  
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May 10, 2021  
For Immediate Release

The May meeting of the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District (WMSWCD) Board of Directors will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, May 17, beginning at 6:00 p.m. We welcome the public to all District board meetings, and the meeting agenda allows time for public comment. Any person may attend the meeting and request to make public comment during the public comment period. A Zoom access code will be required to access the meeting. Interested participants may request the ID by emailing [info@wmswcd.org](mailto:info@wmswcd.org) with the subject line "Request for Conference ID" or by calling 503-238-4775 and leaving a voicemail message at extension 100, no later than 5:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

At this meeting, the Board of Directors will hear a staff presentation on *Improving Climate Resiliency and Management Practices in Conservation Planning*; a presentation on U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Civil Rights Responsibilities Partners Checklist; and will discuss options for in-person board meetings and succession planning. Regular business to be covered at the board meeting includes approval of the prior month's board meeting minutes and information on the previous month's financial reports. The agenda can be modified by the Board of Directors at any time during the meeting.

The Board of Directors typically meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m., and due to COVID-19 restrictions, in lieu of meeting in-person, meetings will be held virtually via Zoom until further notice. Documents for this meeting will be available for inspection on the District's webpage (<https://wmswcd.org/people-places-things/people/board-meetings/>) the morning of the meeting. Special accommodations for attending may be arranged with advance notice by calling West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District at (503) 238-4775 and leaving a voicemail message at extension 100 or by emailing [info@wmswcd.org](mailto:info@wmswcd.org) no later than 5:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting. Visit [wmswcd.org/](https://wmswcd.org/) for more information about the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District.

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*Our mission is to provide resources, information, and expertise to inspire people to actively improve air and water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, and soil health.*

*Please note, WMSWCD's office is currently closed to the public due to the coronavirus pandemic. Staff are available remotely and email is the best way to get in touch.*



## Wildfires Can Happen Here – Take Steps Now to Reduce Risks

It's important for property owners to take steps to help protect your home and land from potential wildfires this summer.

During a wildfire, time is crucial and resources are limited. What you've done before a fire strikes may determine whether firefighters are able to save your home and other structures on your property.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue has taken deliberate steps in the past 20 years to ensure a quick and effective response to wildfire, including investing in specialized wildland vehicles and equipment. Firefighters also participate in hands-on training.

This is the perfect time to create a 30-foot defensible space or safety zone around your home that may help firefighters safely protect your home from an encroaching fire.

To create this space, homeowners are encouraged to take the following steps:

- De-limb trees at least 10 feet up from the ground and cut back tree limbs hanging over your roof.
- Trim branches that are within 10 feet of a chimney.
- Consider replacing wood shakes or shingles on the roof with non-combustible or fire-resistant materials.
- Remove leaves, brush, and other debris from your gutters, rooftop, and underneath decks and crawlspaces.
- Regularly mow and water lawns and other green belts on your property. Keep your landscaping well pruned and watered.
- Plant low-growing, fire-resistant plants such as groundcover, perennials, and annuals near your home. Plant individual shrubs and hardwood trees at least 10 feet from your home and other structures.
- Store firewood and other combustibles at least 100 feet from your home.

Ensure firefighters can quickly find your home by posting your address at the beginning of a long driveway. Make sure your street is named or numbered and a sign is posted at each street intersection of your driveway or road. If you need a rural address sign, call 503-697-9418.

Access to your property is also crucial. To ensure crews can safely respond, cut back low-hanging tree limbs and clear dense vegetation and debris from the road or driveway. Driveways should be 20 feet wide and have a minimum clearance of 15 feet overhead.

For more information about wildfire safety tips and additional preventative measures, visit [www.tvfr.com/wildfire](http://www.tvfr.com/wildfire) for "Ready, Set, Go!" wildfire resources.

### Advertisement

Advertise in the Newsline  
We welcome classified ads from individuals, families, and home-based businesses within the SRN boundaries. Ads are limited to 50 words, and be sure to include your contact information. Send them to [newsline@srnpdx.org](mailto:newsline@srnpdx.org) and indicate how many times you want your ad to run.

Prices for Newsline ads are as follows:  
Families & individuals: First issue is free, then \$5 for each additional repeat of the same ad.  
Home-based businesses: \$7.50 per Newsline issue

Please pay for your ad in advance by either mailing a check payable to SRN to our Treasurer Rachael Brake, 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd., Portland 97231, or via the Venmo phone app to [rbrake@hotmail.com](mailto:rbrake@hotmail.com). Be sure to indicate which Newsline ad you are paying for.

### Skyline Ridge Neighbors, Inc Website

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

**About Skyline Ridge Neighbors**  
SRN is a neighborhood association serving much of unincorporated northwest Multnomah County and some adjacent areas within the city of Portland (<https://www.srnpdx.org/boundary-map.htm>). SRN is registered as a neighborhood association within Multnomah County, registered as a non-profit public benefit corporation with the State of Oregon and approved as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization under the IRS Code. SRN is operated by volunteers and with donated funds entirely.  
If you would like to donate to SRN in support of its activities, such as this free Newsline service and the publication of its quarterly Skyline Ridge Runner, send your donation to "Skyline Ridge Neighbors", c/o Rachael Brake, 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd, Portland OR 97231. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

**About the Newsline**  
Skyline Rural Watch Newsline is a part of Skyline Ridge Neighbors (SRN) and has been produced since June 1994 as a means to communicate neighborhood information. The Newsline is produced by Laurel Ehardt (editor). The Newsline depends on you as a source of accurate information about local crimes, upcoming events, and other news pertinent to the area. If you have information you would like considered for the Newsline, you may do so by e-mailing the information to [newsline@srnpdx.org](mailto:newsline@srnpdx.org), or leaving a message at (503) 621-3501. You can subscribe to the Newsline at [SRNPDX.org](http://SRNPDX.org) [Get the Newsline](http://www.srnpdx.org) tab.

**About the Ridge Runner**  
The Skyline Ridge Runner is a free quarterly publication mailed to approximately 1400 households in rural northwestern Multnomah County, Oregon. A color version is also distributed via email subscription and is posted on website [srnpdx.org](http://srnpdx.org) website. It is published by Skyline Ridge Neighbors (SRN), an all-volunteer nonprofit neighborhood association, as a public service to provide news and information to residents.  
If you have any ads, calendar listings, news items, stories, letters, photos, etc. that you would like to submit for publication, please email them to [signlines@srnpdx.org](mailto:signlines@srnpdx.org). Or call files at (503) 621-3667 to let us know you're going to send something for the Ridge Runner. Please note that the Ridge Runner may not reach mailboxes until the middle of the month of publication (April, July, October, January) Deadlines for all ad submissions are the 15th of March, June, September and December.

**Calendar**  
**Skyline Ridge Neighbor, Inc Regular Board Meeting:** The SRN board meetings are routinely held the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm by Zoom. All are welcome to attend. For Zooms login information please reply to this email.  
Find the community calendar here: <http://www.srnpdx.org/calendar.html>

**Resource Directory**  
As a service to neighbors, SRN publishes a listing of local government agencies and businesses in the [Skyline Resource Directory](http://www.srnpdx.org). Follow the links in this section to view its contents and learn how to add a business or agency listing. Listing of organizations and businesses herein does not imply any endorsement of SRN nor does it imply a lack of endorsement for similar organizations or businesses not included.

- Community Links**  
Skyline Ridge Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET): [SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com](mailto:SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com)  
Skyline Grange: <https://skylinegrange894.org/>  
Forest Park Conservancy: <http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/>  
Linnton Community Center: <http://www.linntoncommunitycenter.org/>  
Linnton Neighborhood Association: <http://linntonna.org/>  
West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District: <http://wmswcd.org/>  
Skyline School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>  
Skyline School PTA: <https://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>  
Lincoln High School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>



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