



Progress Since Eagle Creek Fire
October 2019

columbia river gorge
NATIONAL SCENIC AREA



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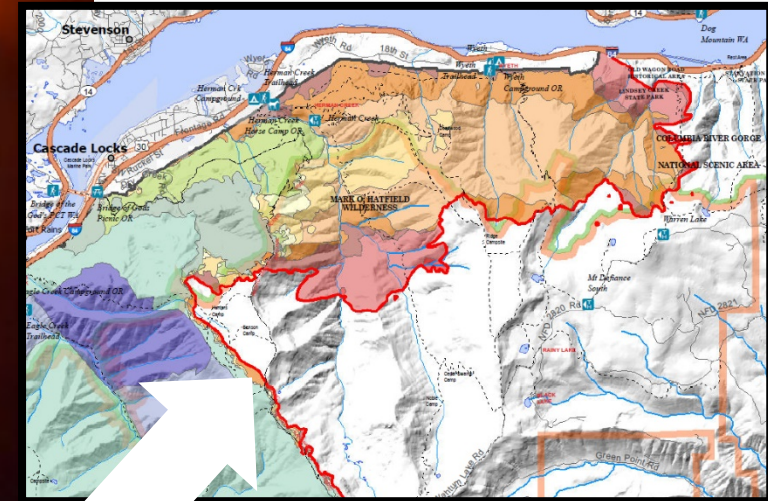


Sept. 2,
2017
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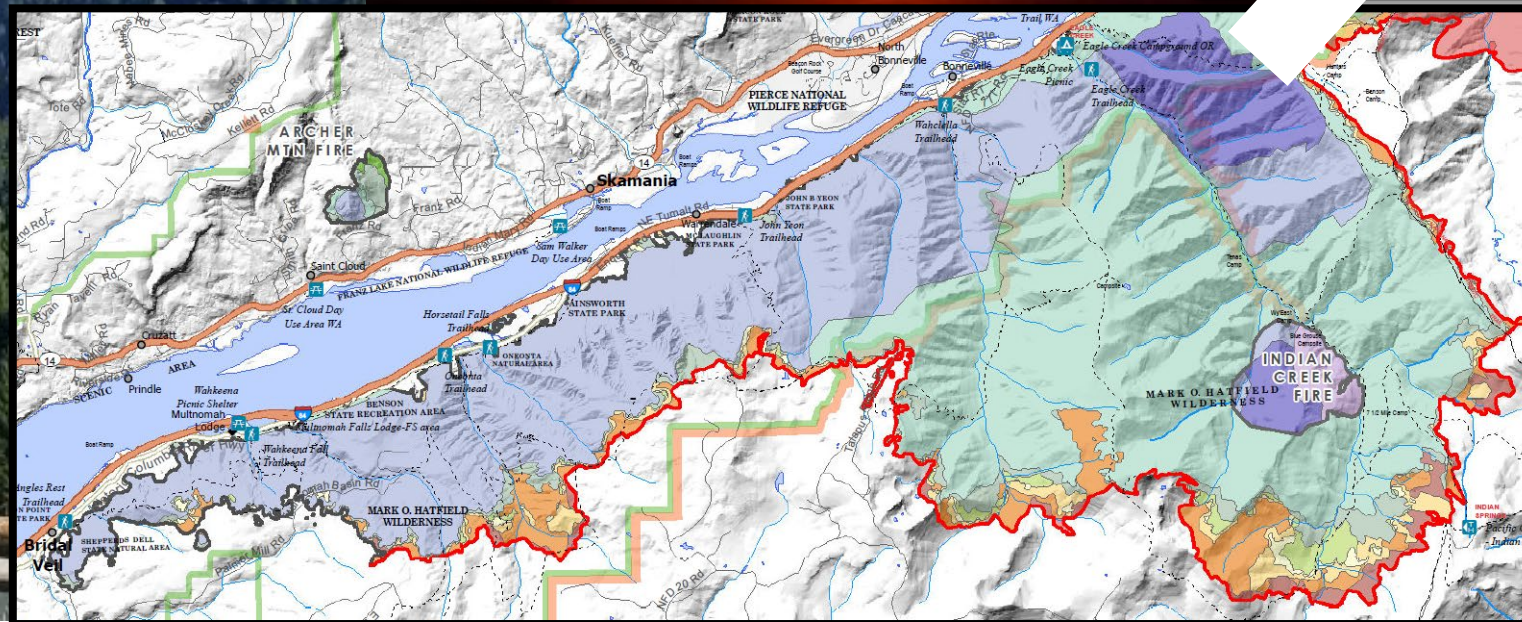
Evening of Sept. 4, 2017



East again until 9/18



Grew east, then west until 9/10



Date	Daily Growth ; Total
09/03	1,856 ; 1,856
09/04	12,601 ; 14,457
09/05	15,426 ; 29,885
09/06	2,356 ; 32,241
09/10	1,744 ; 33,985
09/11	510 ; 34,496
09/12	2,140 ; 36,636
09/13	3,775 ; 40,411
09/14	4,344 ; 44,755
09/15	1,406 ; 46,161
09/16	1,343 ; 47,504
09/17	59 ; 47,563
09/18	48 ; 47,611

Fire Suppression



Post-Fire Phases

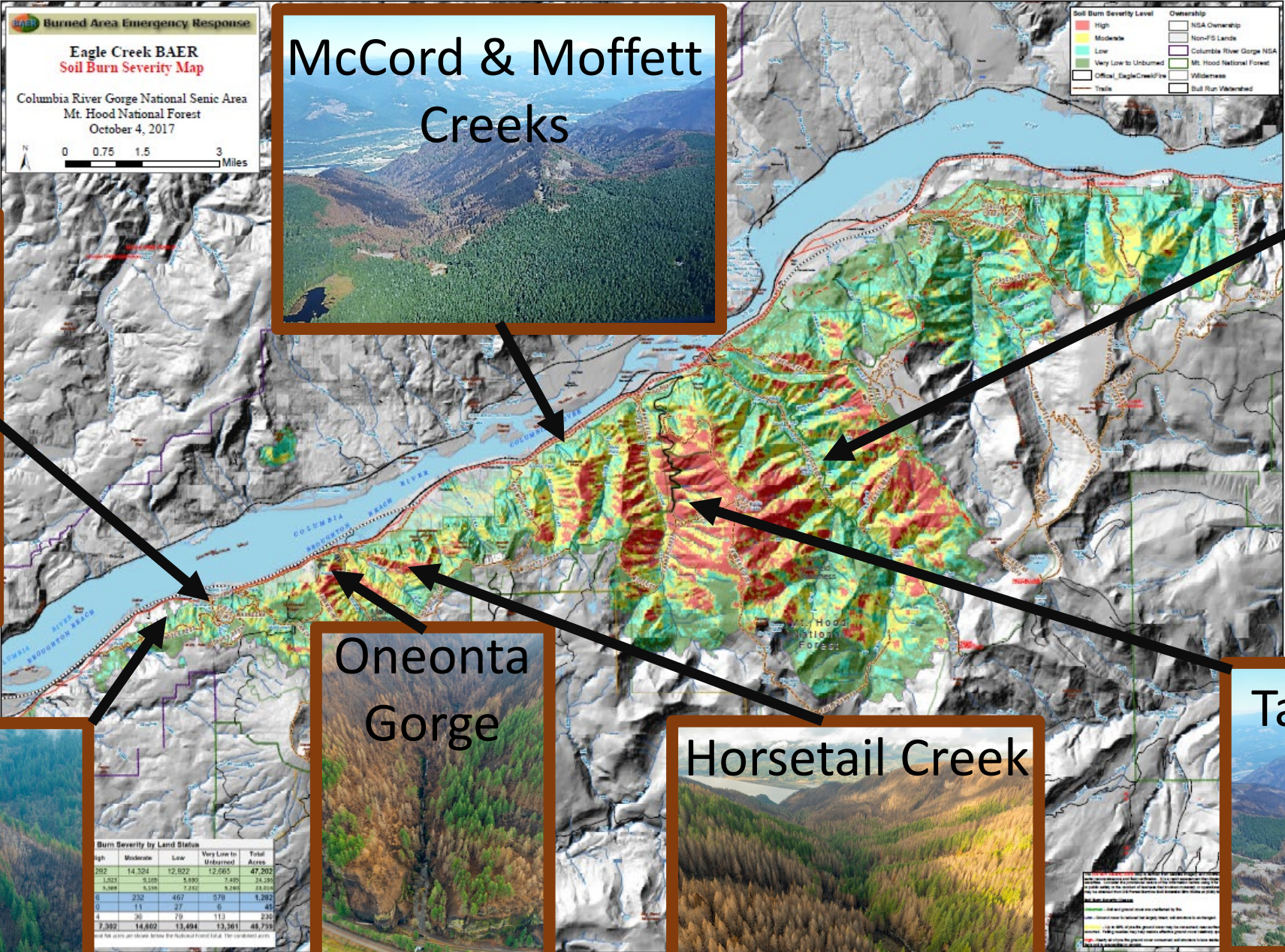


Suppression Repair

Burned Area Emergency
Response (BAER)

Implementation, Repair
& Restoration

Eagle Creek Fire – Soil Burn Severity: 55% low/unburned, 30% moderate, 15% high severity



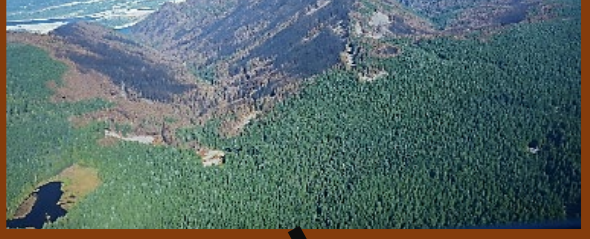
Multnomah Falls



Angel's Rest



McCord & Moffett Creeks



Oneonta Gorge



Horsetail Creek



Eagle Creek



Tanner Creek



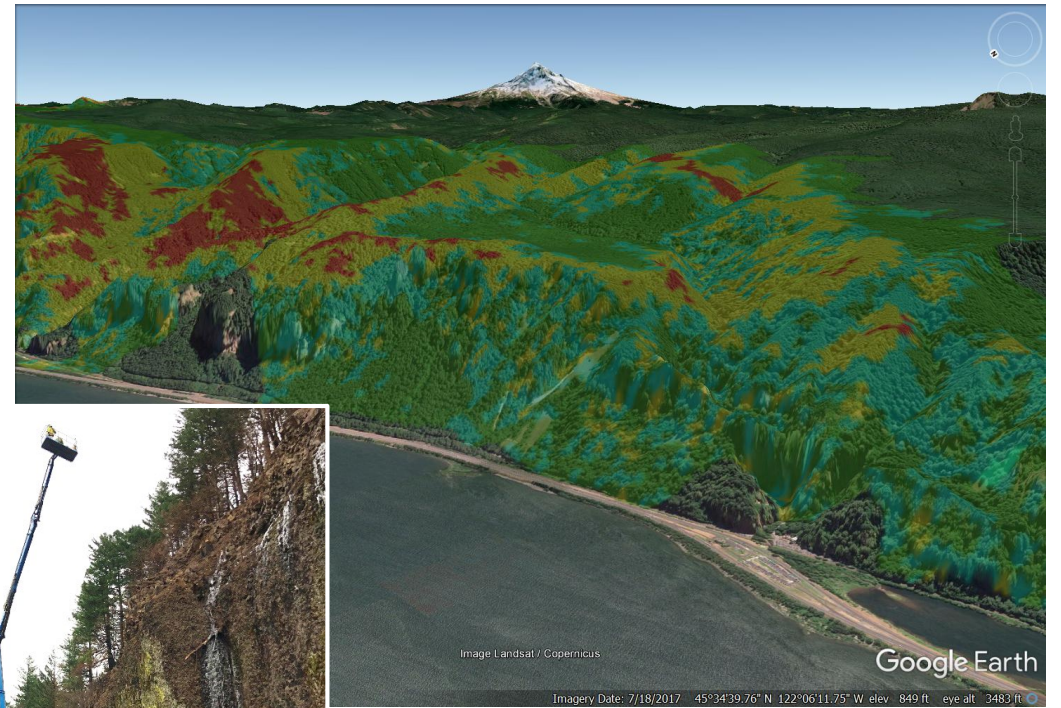
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Hazard Mitigations

Damaged bridge removed



Hazard trees, rock scaling



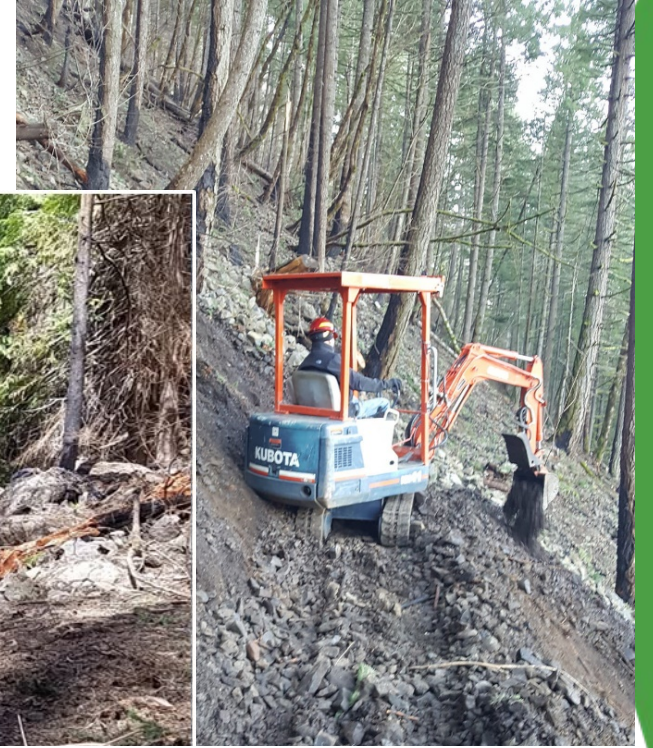
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Repair, Reopening Multnomah Falls in Stages



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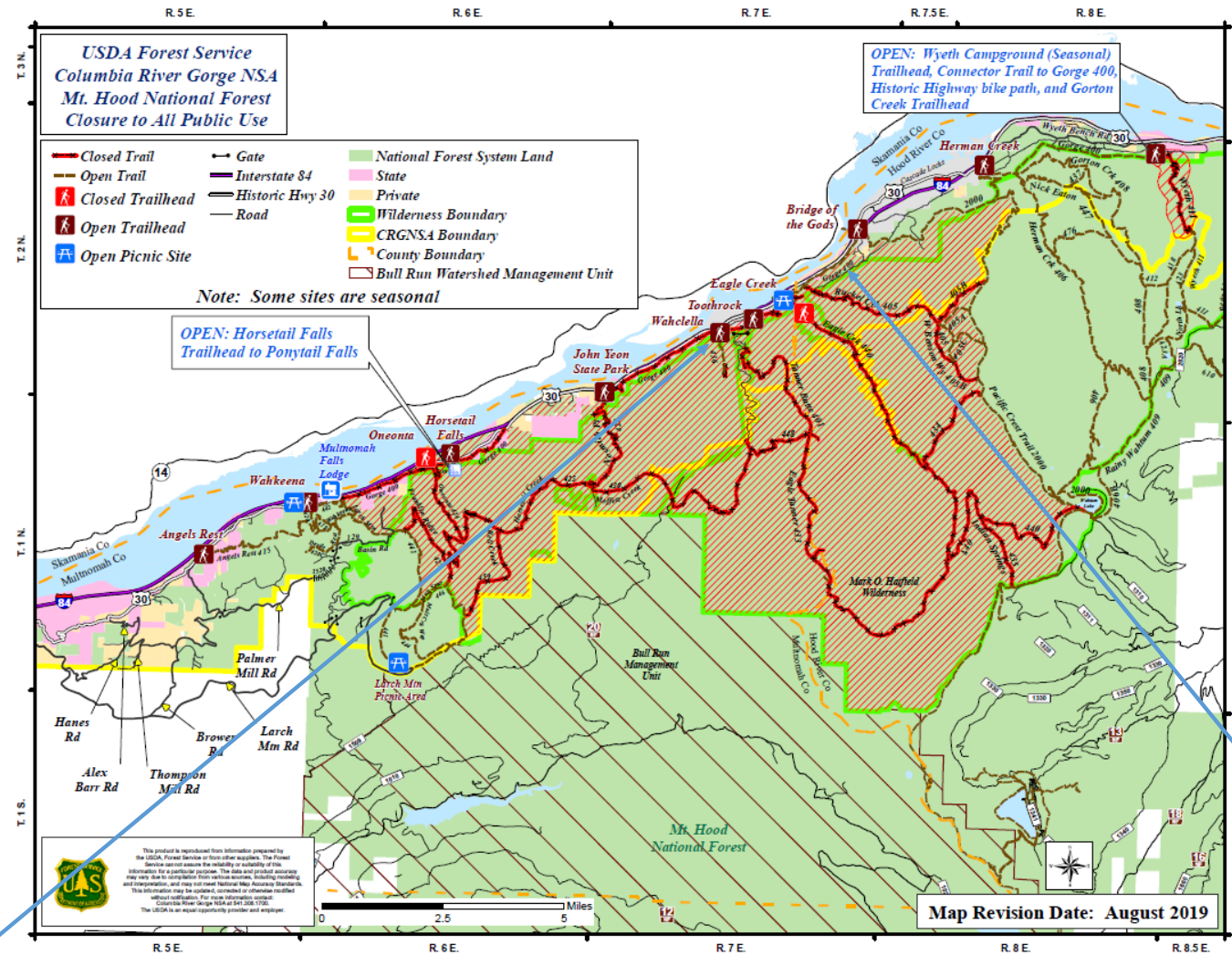
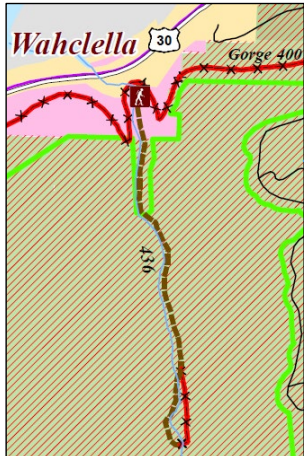
Trails Open on the West End:

- Angels Rest
- Wahkeena
- Return Trail
- Devils Rest
- Vista Point
- Larch Mountain
- Horsetail Falls (only to Ponytail)



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Opened August 26, 2019



Trails Remained Closed

- Wyeth
- Horsetail Falls (after Ponytail Falls)
- Franklin Ridge, Oneonta, Bell Creek, Nesmith, Moffett Creek
- Eagle Creek, Eagle-Tanner, Tanner Butte, Wauna Point, Buck Point, Lower Punchbowl, Ruckel Creek

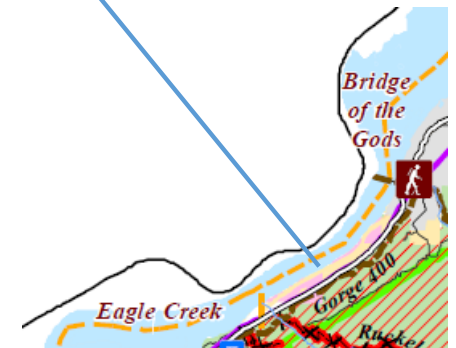
Trails Open on the East End:

- Pacific Crest
- Gorge 400
- Herman Creek
- Gordon Creek
- Deadwood
- Ridge Cutoff
- Nick Eaton
- Dry Creek Falls (PCT junction to Dry Creek Falls)



Gorge 400 (east of Cascade Locks)

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Remaining Hazards in Closed Area

Fire-weakened trees

Loose boulders



Trail destroyed by rockfall



Trail navigation



Debris flows in steep terrain mean no stable footing



Rock slides onto the Historic Columbia River Highway

Close Cooperation with Counties and State Agencies

“Five different agencies released a joint statement on Friday....”





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FIRE DAMAGE: In the Angel's Nest area in the west Gorge show the hazardous state of the terrain.

Sheriff: incidents highlight dangers in closed areas

Many Oregon recreation sites, roads and trails remain closed in the Columbia River Gorge following the 2017 Eagle Creek fire. Local fire responders, such as law enforcement and search and rescue teams, continue to be dispatched to rescue hikers who strayed into closed and dangerous areas and barricades and trespass into closed and dangerous areas. The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is working with the U.S. Forest Service to clear the hazardous areas due to significant hazards, such as rockfall.

OPEN OR NOT?

See page A5 for a current list of closures.

Bridge closed for half hour March 21

Port of Hood River announced a half closure of the Hood River Drive Bridge to assist bridge maintenance at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21 as port crews perform a full height lift of the bridge lift and the maintenance work. The closure is expected to last approximately 20 minutes while crews grease cables, grout joints and gears and lubricate the slide joints on the span roller.

Bridge users are encouraged to seek alternate routes and avoid the bridge from 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday. For more information, contact the Port of Hood River via email at port@portofhoodriver.com.

County talks budget and NORCOR

'Dev Tour' hearing continued to April 2

By PATRICK MULVHILL



ODOT cleared HCRH afterwards



Rockfall on HCRH from clearing Return Trail



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Ecological Renewal



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