



SLOW CAMERA

SIMRAN GLEASON ATTENDS CONCERTS, EVENTS AND PROTESTS TO CAPTURE LIVE MOMENTS IN REAL TIME. BUT INSTEAD OF A CAMERA, HE CARRIES A SMALL EASEL AND A PALETTE OF OIL PAINTS. **D1**

DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANDS

Barred owl killings begin in Oregon under federal conservation effort



A northern spotted owl on the left and a barred owl on the right. Starting Thursday, the Oregon Department of State Lands will shoot hundreds of barred owls a year in the Elliott State Research Forest to save a dwindling population of spotted owls. *AP file photos*

A state agency will join the effort to help save Oregon’s dwindling population of spotted owls.

Gosia Wozniacka
The Oregonian/OregonLive

The Oregon Department of State Lands says it will shoot and kill barred owls in the Coast Range starting on Thursday, becoming the first agency in the state to take part in a controversial federal effort to curb the invasive birds and boost dwindling northern spotted owl populations.

The agency said it has secured permits to kill up to 350 barred owls per year in the 83,000-acre Elliott State Research Forest in Coos and Douglas counties, northeast of Coos Bay. The culling will take place year-round for at least 15 years and cost as much as \$1.2 million.

The effort is part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service plan to kill more than 450,000 barred owls over 30 years in Oregon, Washington and California. The agency says barred owls outcompete legally protected spotted owls for food and territory. Animal rights groups have called the killing cruel and unethical while some conservation groups support it as a way to save spotted owls.

Given its controversial nature, very few public agencies or other groups have thus far publicly acknowledged they are actively carrying out the owl removal.

The Oregon Department of Forestry told The Oregonian/OregonLive it will participate in the effort but does not expect to receive a federal permit until next year and has not yet identified where or when barred owl removals would occur or how many owls will be killed, agency spokesperson Tim Hoffman said.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, on the other hand, said it does not plan to participate in barred owl removal.

In addition to the Coast Range, barred **SEE DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANDS, A2**

2026 ELECTION WASHINGTON COUNTY

Hillsboro insiders vie to represent largest board district

Voters will choose between former Hillsboro Mayor Steve Callaway and City Councilor Kipperlyn Sinclair.

Austin De Dios *The Oregonian/OregonLive*

After sliding to the top of a six-person race in May, two candidates from Hillsboro are competing for votes to represent Washington County’s largest district on the Board of Commissioners.

Former Hillsboro mayor and longtime local politician Steve Callaway says he has the know-how to help steer Oregon’s second-most populous county in the right direction. His opponent, current City Councilor Kipperlyn Sinclair, positions herself as the antithesis to the status quo. The job pays \$136,161 a year.

Whoever wins will join a refreshed Board of Commissioners in January, which will be tasked with tackling the region’s biggest challenges — land-use, economic development and budget troubles among them. District 4 includes a portion of Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Cornelius, Banks and a large expanse of rural and

natural land to the north and west.

Callaway worked in education for decades, including a long stint as a Hillsboro School District principal. He was elected to the Hillsboro City Council in 2010 and served as a councilor until he was elected mayor in 2016. Callaway served as mayor through 2024.

He’s banking on that experience to win voters.

“Everything I’ve done has been focused on preparing for the future,” Callaway said. “Whether it’s kids in schools, whether it’s through committees, whether it’s been as a planning **SEE 2026 ELECTION, A2**

EARNINGS REPORT

Nike announces new restructuring, layoffs as stock dips

The company on Thursday said it will open a new campus in India and condense its sales geographies, moves that will result in an unknown number of layoffs.

Matthew Kish *The Oregonian/OregonLive*

Nike on Thursday announced a new restructuring plan and pending layoffs, part of a quarterly earnings report that sent its shares to their lowest level in 13 years in after-hours trading.

The company’s stock, already down 45% for the year, fell more than 8% within two hours of the report. Nike reported \$11.2 billion in quarterly sales, below the \$11.3 billion expected by stock analysts. It reported 48 cents in earnings per share, 4 cents above expectations.

Under previous CEO John Donahoe, Nike focused on retro sneakers and direct-to-consumer sales. Elliott Hill, who started work as CEO two years ago, has worked to unwind those strategies, but some investors have grown impatient with the speed of the turnaround.

On a conference call Thursday with stock analysts, Hill acknowledged Nike’s ongoing problems, including weakness in its Jordan, sportswear and China businesses, while saying the company has “momentum” in sales of products designed for athletic competition, including running.

“We have a lot more work to do,” Hill said. “That’s just the reality that we’re in.”

The restructuring announced Thursday, the second since Hill rejoined the company, will include the opening of a new campus in India, the elimination of an unspecified number of jobs and the consolidation of four sales geographies into three.

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METRO

Milwaukie park fight

Milwaukie’s City Council ended negotiations with the North Clackamas Parks District over Bay Park delays amid an ongoing legal battle. **A4**

SPORTS

Up to the challenge?

Oregon State faces a tough Pac-12 opener against a Colorado State offense that ranks among the nation’s leaders in explosive plays. **C1**

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