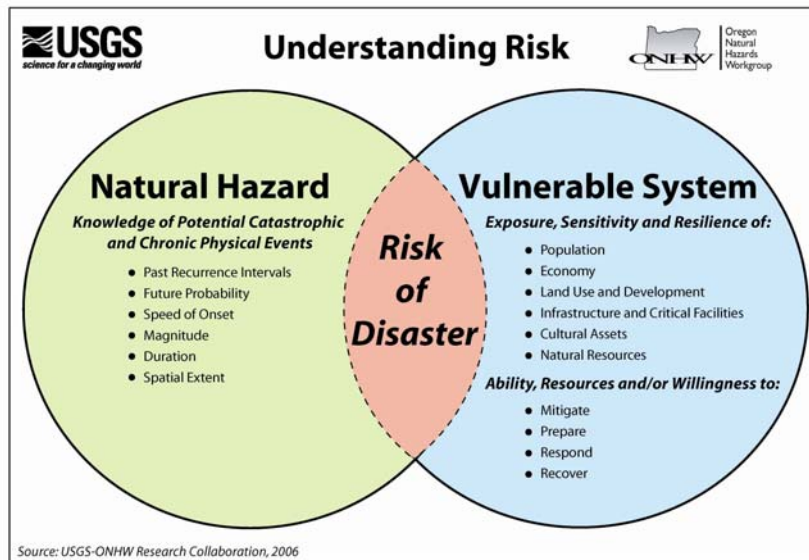


Grant County Community Sensitivity and Resilience

This section documents the community’s sensitivity factors, or those community assets and characteristics that may be impacted by natural hazards, (e.g., special populations, economic factors, and historic and cultural resources). It also identifies the community’s resilience factors, or the community’s ability to manage risk and adapt to hazard event impacts (e.g., governmental structure, agency missions and directives, and plans, policies, and programs). The information in this section represents a snapshot in time of the current sensitivity and resilience factors in the community when the plan was developed. The information documented below, along with the findings of the risk assessment, should be used as the local level rationale for the risk reduction actions identified in Section 6 – Mission, Goals, and Action Items. The identification of actions that reduce a community’s sensitivity and increase its resilience assist in reducing the community’s overall risk, or the area of overlap in Figure G.1 below.

Figure G.1 Understanding Risk



Source: Oregon Natural Hazards Workgroup, 2006.

Community Sensitivity Factors

The following table documents the key community sensitivity factors in Grant County.

Population

- Northeast Oregon attracts tourists and hunters in both the summer and fall. A temporary increase in population places heightened demands on emergency response systems; additionally, uninformed hikers and campers may increase the community's risk to wildfire.
- Residents of Grant County are relatively isolated from highly populated urban areas and services. John Day, the largest incorporated city in Grant County, is 260 miles from Portland.
- Community organizations that serve vulnerable populations are concerned with the lack of emergency transportation and services available to persons with special needs.
- 1% of the total population over age 5 in Grant County speaks English less than "very well."
- Grant County has minimal population growth (-3.2% change from 2000-2005) and an aging population; in 2005, 17% of the population was 65 years or older; in 2025, 25% of the population is expected to be 65 years or older. Elderly individuals require special consideration due to their sensitivities to heat and cold, their reliance upon transportation for medications, and their comparative difficulty in making home modifications that reduce risk to hazards.
- All buildings and homes within Grant County, and particularly those on the valley floor, are subject to severe weather, including ice and snow storms, lightning storms, and hail, heavy rain, and fast winds.
- There are three major nursing homes in the area: two in John Day and one in Prairie City (The Blue Mountain Nursing Home)
- The summer and fall months see an increase in population for tourism and hunting
- Camp Logan is a yearly event at which nearly 100 people attend.
- The 9-1-1 Center in John Day is also the John Day Police Department; city hall is attached to this building.
- Prairie City has a very popular Fourth of July parade (i.e., significant increase in population).

Economic Assets

- Thomas Orchards, Inc. The Kimberly Fruit Company is a popular, locally attractive business in Grant County.
- Forestry, livestock, recreation and tourism are Grant County's principle industries. Grant County had 344 businesses in 2002.
- Major employers include government agencies (US Forest Service, Oregon Department of Transportation, Schools, Grant County and Oregon State Road Departments), Grayback Forestry Inc., Jackson Oil Inc., Prairie Wood Products,

Grant Western Lumber, Malheur Lumber Company, Chester's Thriftway Grocery Store, and the Blue Mountain Hospital.

- Grant County supports a variety of small, locally-owned businesses (six hotels and several restaurants) through which the majority of workers are employed. Small businesses are particularly susceptible to economic losses created by power outages and structural damages.
- Recreational opportunities and annual fairs / events bring tourism and economic benefits to the County. Forest fires may negatively affect the economic benefits that Grant County sees from tourism, camping, and hunting.
- Strawberry Mountain Natural Beef opened for business in John Day in 2005, and currently employs 12 ranchers from the John Day area.
- Corporate travelers use the airport extensively in support of the lumber mills, Les Schwab, and others.

Cultural and Historic Assets

- Grant County has a number of cultural and historic attractions. They include the Kam Wah Chung Museum, the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument and Painted Hills, Picture Gorge, the Grant County Museum and Cowboy Museum, the historic Joaquin Miller cabin and Greenhorn Jail, the Dewitt Museum, the North Fork John Day River, state and federal parks and campgrounds, and the Strawberry Mountain Wilderness/Recreation Area. Grant County also has a number of homes and/or buildings on the national historic register.
- Local area activities include: snowmobiling, water and snow skiing, fishing and hunting, hiking, camping, boating, golfing, horseback-riding, mushrooming, wildlife viewing, backpacking, and river-rafting. The John Day Fossil Beds National Monument is located nine miles west of Dayville. The region boasts four designated Wild and Scenic rivers, a national park, and beautiful high desert scenery popular with photographers, bird watchers and hikers. The Northside, Murderers Creek and Ochoco hunting units intersect at Dayville, and the area is popular throughout the state for deer and elk hunting, as well as upland game birds. Annual events include a cross country horse race, a parade, activities in the park, a duck race, and a dance.
- The entire state of Oregon experienced flooding in 1964, and in John Day, flooding reached the Kam Wah Chung Museum.

Critical Facilities & Infrastructure

- The City of John Day has six storage reservoirs of varying sizes. The City obtains its water from four ground water supply wells, and one spring source (Long Gulch Springs).
- The John Day Police Department, 9-1-1 Center, and City Hall are all part of one building on Main St, John Day. If all three were damaged or affected by an emergency event, the city may suffer in its ability to respond and recover from an event.

- The County's Sheriff's Office and jail are located in Canyon City. The jail is a 47-bed facility with 12 employees, five road officers, and an emergency manager. There is a river behind the jail that, if it rose more than five feet, could cause harm to this building.
- Each small city has an ambulance; the John Day Blue Mountain Hospital is the closest medical facility for every community in Grant County with the exception of Granite (closest hospital in Baker City).
- With the exception of Kimberly, each small community has a volunteer fire department.
- John Day, Prairie City, Seneca, Dayville, Mt. Vernon and Long Creek all have wastewater treatment plants. Canyon City uses John Day's wastewater plant by contract. The John Day wastewater plant lies within the city's floodplain.
- The bridge system in Picture Gorge, if destroyed, would cause minor hardship. Currently, the area sees occasional rock falls, but with very little traffic, the landslides have not caused any harm.
- There are four ways in and out of the county; Highways 395 and 26 intersect at John Day, and bisect the county both vertically and horizontally.
- AirLife makes over 60 trips a year to John Day for Air Ambulance. Time to St. Charles in Bend is 45 minutes versus 3 hours on the road. Should the road system be impaired aircraft are the only way to access the John Day valley.
- The airport Helibase is the USFS Northwest Training Academy for Helicopter Rappel teams and is a Single Engine Air Tanker base providing the only rapid response to wildfire on the Malheur National Forest. The base supports several million dollars a year in fire fighting suppression efforts.
- Medical specialists are flown in on a regular basis.
- The Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Dept of Forestry and the USFS all use the airport in support of their missions.
- The airport supports an automated weather station broadcasting local conditions on a worldwide basis. Without this real time weather, flights into John Day in poor weather are not possible.

Natural Resources

- Environmental resources include the North Fork John Day Wilderness Area, Strawberry Mountain Wilderness Area, John Day Fossil Beds, the Malheur National Forest, Black Canyon Wilderness Area, and Silvies River.
- Forest fires may negatively affect the economic benefits that Grant County sees from tourism, camping, and hunting.
- Lightning storms and heavy winds increase the number of forest fires, building collapses, and power outages.

Land Use and Development

- The Grant County wildland-urban interface areas include Austin, Bates, Canyon City, Dayville, Granite, John Day, Long Creek, Monument, Mount Vernon, Prairie City, and Seneca.
- Future growth will likely occur in the cities' growth boundaries; none of these areas are particularly subject to natural hazards.

Community Resilience Factors

The following documents the key community resilience factors in Grant County including a description of the local government's structure, existing plans and policies, and community organizations and programs.

Government Structure

Baker County employs a County Clerk, District Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer, and a Judge, along with the following departments:

Economic Development

The Department of Economic Development provides a variety of services to existing and prospective businesses.

Planning:

The Grant County Planning Department provides planning and zoning information to the public and other government agencies. Additional responsibilities include reviewing development proposals, administering and enforcing land use laws, regulations, and ordinances, reviewing applications for land use actions, and conducting comprehensive planning studies and research.

Road Department

The Grant County Road Department works to provide roadways that are safe, efficient, and economical to maintain.

Existing Plan & Policies

Communities often have existing plans and policies that guide and influence land use, land development, and population growth. Such existing plans and policies can include comprehensive plans, zoning ordinances, and technical reports or studies. Plans and policies already in existence have support from local residents, businesses and policy makers. Many land-use, comprehensive, and strategic plans get updated regularly, and can adapt easily to changing conditions and needs.¹

The Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan includes a range of recommended action items that, when implemented, will reduce the county's vulnerability to natural hazards. Many of these recommendations are consistent with the goals and objectives of the county's existing plans and policies. Linking existing plans and policies to the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan helps identify what resources already exist that can be used to implement the action items identified in the Plan. Implementing the natural hazards mitigation plan's action items through existing

plans and policies increases their likelihood of being supported and getting updated, and maximizes the county's resources.

The following are existing plans and policies already in place within the community. A table further defining each of these plans and policies has been included at the end of this section.

- Grant County Oregon Comprehensive Plan
- Grant County Community Wildfire Protection Plan
- Grant County Emergency Operations Plan
- Grant County Transportation System Plan

Community Organizations and Programs

Social systems can be defined as community organizations and programs that provide social and community-based services, such as health care or housing assistance, to the public. In planning for natural hazard mitigation, it is important to know what social systems exist within the community because of their existing connections to the public. Often, actions identified by the plan involve communicating with the public or specific subgroups within the population (e.g. elderly, children, low income). The County can use existing social systems as resources for implementing such communication-related activities because these service providers already work directly with the public on a number of issues, one of which could be natural hazard preparedness and mitigation.

The following organizations are active within the community and may be potential partners for implementing mitigation actions:

- Alternative Services, Inc. (ASI)
- American Legion Auxiliary
- American Legion Post #77
- Blue Mountain Hospital
- Blue Mountain Nursing Home
- Child Care Resource and Referral
- Elks Lodge BPOE #1824
- Families First
- Girl Scouts of the USA, Silver Sage, Eastern Oregon Office
- Glenn C. Lee Scouting Service Center
- Grant and Harney County Casa
- Grant County Chamber of Commerce
- Grant County Extension Office
- Grant County Senior Citizens Assoc.
- Greater Prairie City Community Association
- Growing Tree Infant Center
- Hospice of Redmond-Sisters
- John Day Kiwanis Club
- People Mover
- Senior Citizens Community Center
- Shie Elem Golden Heritage
- Strawberry Wilderness Family Clinic
- Umatilla-Morrow Head Start, Inc.
- Valley View Retirement and Assisted Living Residence

A table including information on each organization or program's service area, types of services offered, populations served, and how the organization or program could be involved in natural hazard mitigation is included at the end of this section. The three involvement methods are defined below.

- Education and outreach – organization could partner with the community to educate the public or provide outreach assistance on natural hazard preparedness and mitigation.
- Information dissemination – organization could partner with the community to provide hazard-related information to target audiences.
- Plan/project implementation – organization may have plans and/or policies that may be used to implement mitigation activities or the organization could serve as the coordinating or partner organization to implement mitigation actions.

Existing Mitigation Activities

Existing mitigation activities include current mitigation programs and activities that are being implemented by the community in an effort to reduce the community's overall risk to natural hazards. Documenting these efforts can assist the community in better understanding its risk and can assist in documenting successes.

Grant County has not implemented any mitigation projects that are known at this time.

ⁱ Burby, Raymond J., ed. 1998. *Cooperating with Nature: Confronting Natural Hazards with Land-Use Planning for Sustainable Communities*.

Grant County
Existing Plans and Policies

Name	Date of Last Revision	Author/Owner	Description	Relation to Natural Hazard Mitigation
Grant County Oregon Comprehensive Plan	1999	Grant County Planning Department	To plan for the responsible management of land use within Grant County	"Goal VII Element" titled "Areas subject to natural disasters and hazards" outlines the numerous disasters Grant County faces, as well as explaining the implications of those disasters on further development of the area.
Grant County Emergency Operations Plan		Grant County Sheriff's Office	Provides a framework through which Grant County can plan and perform emergency functions during a disaster or national emergency.	"Attempts to be all-inclusive in combining the four phases of Emergency Management;" Mitigation actions are identified for the area's natural hazards.
Grant County Transportation System Plan	1997	David Evans and Associates	The TSP planning area includes all areas inside Grant County, public and private. A large foldout map displaying the Grant County planning area is located in Appendix A. The map also shows state highways as well as county and United States Forest Service (USFS) roads. Roadways included in the TSP may fall under multiple jurisdictions: one of nine incorporated cities, Grant County, the State of Oregon, and the federal government.	The Transportation Plan may be a resource to identify which roads and transportation systems are most vulnerable to natural disasters. Likewise, the TSP can be utilized to implement mitigation measures aimed at protecting "transportation disadvantaged" populations in emergency situations. When updated in 2017, the TSP can also include mitigation elements in its implementation considerations.

Grant County
Existing Plans and Policies

Name	Date of Last Revision	Author/Owner	Description	Relation to Natural Hazard Mitigation
Grant County Community Wildfire Protection Plan			Sets forth action plan for addressing prioritized fuel reduction, treatment of structural ignitability, and increased collaboration to reduce the impact of wildland urban interface fires.	A CWPP can serve as the wildfire hazard annex of an all-hazard mitigation plan. Actions documented in a CWPP should be included in the local mitigation plan as well.

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Alternative Services, Inc. (ASI) 600 S. Canyon Blvd John Day, OR 97845 Phone: 541-575-2251 Fax:541-575-2460	"Offers residential and vocational services in Grant County in two 24-hour residential facilities. The vocational program offers lawn care, word-working and raising beef cows and hogs."	Grant County			✓			✓		• Information dissemination
American Legion Auxiliary 160 Ogilvie Dr. John Day, OR Phone: 541-575-1802	A community service organization associated with United States veterans.	Grant County			✓	✓		✓	✓	• Information dissemination
American Legion Auxiliary Prairie City Unit #106 PO Box 48 Prairie City, OR Phone: 541-820-4384	A community service organization associated with United States veterans.	Grant County			✓	✓		✓	✓	• Information dissemination
American Legion Post #77 PO Box 125 John Day, OR Phone: 541-575-2838	A community service organization associated with United States veterans.	Grant County			✓	✓		✓	✓	• Information dissemination

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Blue Mountain Hospital 170 Ford Road John Day, Oregon 97845 Phone: 541-575-1311 Fax: 541-575-1255	Blue Mountain Hospital is a community-supported general hospital.. Provides the following services and more: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient • Outpatient • Ambulance • Rural Clinics • Visiting Specialists • Home Health • Respite Care 	Grant County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	• Information dissemination
Blue Mountain Nursing Home 112 E 5th Street, Prairie City, Oregon 97869 Phone: 541-820-3341 Fax: 541-820-3628	"We are Medicaid certified only, and are affiliated with the Blue Mountain Hospital District. We provide long-term care, day care, and respite care."	Grant County				✓				• Information dissemination
Child Care Resource and Referral P.O. Box 278 118 Washington St. Canyon City, OR 97820 Phone: 541-575-0210	Resource assistance for people who work in child care	Grant County	✓							• Information dissemination

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Elks Lodge BPOE #1824 PO Box 747 John Day, OR Phone: 541-575-9937	Quoted from the mission statement: the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share.	Grant County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Families First 401 S Canyon Blvd John Day, OR 97845 – 1048 Phone: 541-575-4335	Individual and family counseling. Assistance for young mothers. Foster care for children in need. Support for foster parents, and assistance to people who want to adopt. Supportive group homes for children. Transitional housing for homeless young mothers. Assists families struggling with family problems.	Grant County		✓				✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Girl Scouts of the USA, Silver Sage, Eastern Oregon Office PO Box 1368 Ontario, OR Phone: 541-889-6210	To provide numerous volunteer services to community members in addition to preparing girls and young women for active participation in community	Grant County		✓	✓	✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Glenn C. Lee Scouting Service Center 2301 Adams La Grande, OR 97850 Phone: 866-963-2858 Fax: 541-963-2858	To provide numerous volunteer services to community members in addition to preparing boys and young men for active participation in community life.	Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon		✓	✓	✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Grant and Harney County Casa 835 S. Canyon Blvd. John Day, OR 97845 Phone: 541-575-5574 Fax: 541-575-1068	Social Services, Social and Welfare Services	Grant and Harney Counties		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Grant County Chamber of Commerce 281 W. Main Street John Day, Or 97845 Phone: 541-575-0547	Provide economic development assistance to local businesses.	Grant County	✓							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination • Plan/project implementation
Grant County Extension Office Courthouse 201 S Humbolt Suite 190 Canyon City OR 97820-6186 Phone: 541-575-1911 Fax: 541-575-2248	Provides research-based knowledge and education that focus on strengthening communities and economies, sustaining natural resources, and promoting healthy families and individuals.	Grant County	✓							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination • Plan/project implementation

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Grant County Senior Citizens Assoc. 142 N.E. Dayton John Day, OR Phone: 541-575-1825	A senior citizens association	Grant County				✓				• Information dissemination
Greater Prairie City Community Association Prairie City, OR 97869 Phone: 541-820-3666	A community association	Grant County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	• Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Growing Tree Infant Ctr 404 NW Canton St John Day, OR 97845 – 1165 Phone: 541-575-2371	A childcare facility for infants.	Grant County		✓						• Information dissemination
Hospice of Redmond-Sisters 732 SW 3rd Redmond, OR 97756 Phone: 541-548-7483 Email: hospice@bendcable.com	Hospice Care for people suffering from advanced illnesses and their families	Grant County				✓		✓		• Information dissemination
John Day Kiwanis Club 210 NW Canton John Day, OR Phone: 541-575-1827	A local community service organization.	Grant County		✓				✓		• Education and outreach • Information dissemination
People Mover 229 NE Dayton St John Day, OR 97845 – 1204 Phone: (541) 575-2370	Public transportation service	Grant County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	• Education and outreach • Information dissemination

Grant County
Existing Community Organizations

Name and Contact Information	Description	Service Area	Populations Served							Involvement with Natural Hazard Mitigation
			Businesses	Children	Disabled	Elders	English Second Language	Families	Low Income	
Senior Citizens Community Center 142 NE Dayton ST John Day, OR 97845 Phone: 541-575-1825	A senior citizens community center	Grant County				✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information dissemination
Shie Elem Golden Heritage 200 SW Brent Dr. John Day, OR 97845 Phone: 541-575-0957	Medical care and nursing home facilities	Grant County				✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information dissemination
Strawberry Wilderness Family Clinic Phone: (541) 575-0404	Provides healthcare service for community members	Grant County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Umatilla-Morrow Head Start, Inc. 110 NE 4th Hermiston, OR 97838 Phone: 541-564-6878	Early Head Start, Oregon Head Start PreKindergarten	Grant, Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Wallowa, and Wasco Counties		✓						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and outreach • Information dissemination
Valley View Retirement and Assisted Living Residence 112 Valley View Dr, John Day, Oregon 97845 Phone: 541-575-3533 Email: hospice@bendcable.com	Independent, yet assisted living where residents are able to enjoy daily activities with assistance if needed	Grant County				✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information dissemination

Grant County Fact Sheet

Grant County

4,528 sq miles

Percent State and Federal Ownership: 60.7%

Recreational Amenities

Grant County Historic Museum

Joaquin Miller Cabin

Greenhorn Jail

St. Thomas Episcopal Church (historic)

Boot Hill

Canyon City & St. Andrews Cemeteries

F.C. Sells Brewery Site

Ox Bow Trade Co. Museum of Horse-

Drawn Vehicles

June '62 Days Celebration

John Day Fossil Beds National Monument

Strawberry Mountain Wilderness Areas

Fishing and gold panning in Canyon Creek

John Day Golf Club

Malheur National Forest

Silvies River

Bear Valley Meadows Golf Course

North Fork John Day Wilderness Area

Black Canyon Wilderness Area

Kam Wah Chung & Co. Chinese Museum

Local area activities include: snowmobiling, water and snow skiing, fishing and hunting, hiking, camping, boating, golfing, horseback-riding, mushrooming, wildlife viewing, backpacking, and river-rafting. The John Day Fossil Beds National Monument is located nine miles west of Dayville. The region boasts four designated Wild and Scenic rivers, a national park, and beautiful high desert scenery popular with photographers, bird watchers and hikers. The Northside, Murderers Creek and Ochoco hunting units intersect at Dayville, and the area is popular throughout the state for deer and elk hunting, as well as upland game birds. Annual events include a cross country horse race, a parade, activities in the park, a duck race, and a dance.

Local and Regional Economic Development Organizations

Town of Canyon City

Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation (GEODC)

Grant County Economic Development Coordinator

Grant Resource Enhancement Action Team (GREAT)

SRA Southeast Regional Alliance

Economic & Community Development

Department Regional Development Officer

City of Dayville

City of Granite

Grant County Chamber of Commerce

City of Seneca

City of Prairie City

Prairie City Community Association

City of Mt. Vernon

City of Monument

City of Long Creek

City of John Day

Economic Development and Employment

Principal Industries:

Forestry, livestock, recreation and tourism

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Covered Employment and Payroll Reports, 1998

Agricultural Products of the Area (Top 3 largest gross farm sales):

Cattle and calves, specialty products, hays and forage
 Source: Oregon State University, Extension Economic Information Office

Economic Indicators

	Grant County		Oregon		
	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Population	7,800	7,750	3,421,399	3,471,700	3,504,700
Labor Force	3,769	3,770	1,802,938	1,793,773	1,840,133
Total Employment			1,715,453	1,679,914	1,701,390
Unemployment	387	378	87,485	113,859	138,743
Unemployment Rate	10.3%	10%	4.9%	6.3%	7.5%
Non-Farm Payroll Employment	2,670	2,640	1,606,800	1,596,100	1,572,500
Total Covered Employment	2,725	2,697	1,607,944	1,596,943	1,573,083
Total Covered Payroll (\$ thousands county/ \$ millions state)	\$66,739	\$69,603	\$52,701	\$53,021	\$52,989
Ave. Annual Payroll Per Employee	\$24,492	\$25,808	\$32,776	\$33,202	\$33,684
Number of Business Units	345	344	108,432	111,353	113,097
Total Personal Income (\$ millions)	\$179,195	\$185,679	\$94,999	\$98,500	\$101,358
Annual Per Capita Personal Income	\$	\$24,967	\$27,649	\$28,400	28,792
Assessed Value of Property (\$ millions)	\$0	\$420	\$198,911	\$210,435	\$219,878
Residential Construction					
Building Permits	0	0	19,877	21,049	22,186
Value (\$ thousands)	\$0	N/A	\$2,533	\$2,985	\$3,347
Travel Expenditures (\$ millions)	\$0	\$11,100	\$6,133	\$6,128	\$6,208
Travel-Related Employment	0	270	89,800	91,100	90,200

Sources: Oregon Employment Department; Center for Population Research & Census, PSU; U.S. Census Bureau; Bureau of Economic Analysis; Oregon Tourism Commission; Oregon Department of Revenue; Oregon Economic and Community Development Department.

Special Districts and Associations

- Blue Mountain Hospital District
- Grant County E.S.D.
- Grant County Extension Service District and 4-H
- Grant County Transportation District
- Grant S.W.C.D.
- John Day/Canyon City Parks and Recreation
- Mid-County Cemetery District
- Cummings Ditch Company

Communications Resources

Local Newspapers:

Blue Mountain Eagle

Regional Newspapers:

East Oregonian

Oregonian

Radio Stations:

KJDY AM and FM

KGNR FM

KOPB (Public Radio)

Local Internet Service Provider(s): Yes, 1

TV Stations:

Blue Mountain TV Cable Co.

Boise Idaho

Satellite

Available Cable Television:

Blue Mountain TV Cable Co.

Telephone Service Provider(s):

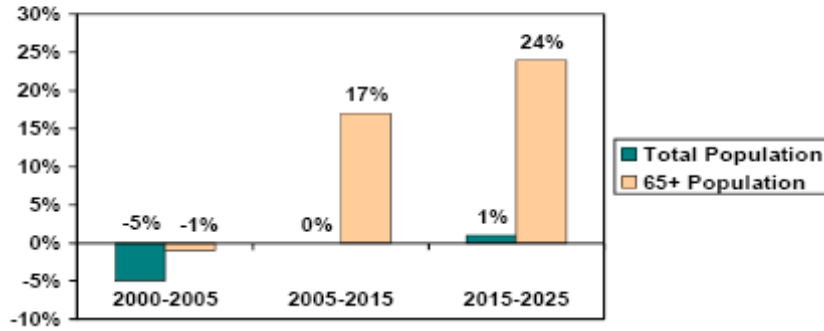
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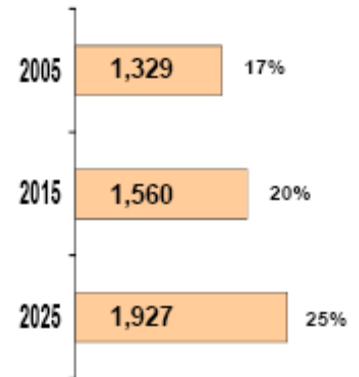
Historic Listings

- Advent Christian Church (added 1992): also known as Seventh Day Adventist Church; 261 W. Main St., John Day
- Cant, James, Ranch Historic District (added 1984); Also known as Sheep Rock Unit of John Day Fossil Beds National Monument. OR 19, Dayville
- Dayville Hotel (added 1984) US 26, Dayville
- Fremont Powerhouse (added 1983); Umatilla National Forest, Granite
- John Day Compound, Supervisor's Warehouse (added 1986); Malheur National Forest, John Day
- Kam Wah Chung Company Building (added 1973); Canton St., John Day City Park, John Day
- St. Thomas' Episcopal Church (added 1974); 135 Washington St., Canyon City
- Sumpter Valley Railway Historic District (added 1987); Roughly between Baker and Prairie City starting near the McEwen station site and W to the Dixie Pass area, Bates
- Sumpter Valley Railway Passenger Station (added 1981). Also known as Sumpter Valley Railway Depot; Main and Bridge Sts., Prairie City
- Sumpter Valley Railway, Middle Fork – John Day River (added 1987). Also known as Oregon Lumber Company Railroad; Sumpter Valley Railway's Middle Fork Spur between Bates and Susanville, Bates
- Supervisor's House No. 1001 (added 1986), Malheur National Forest, John Day

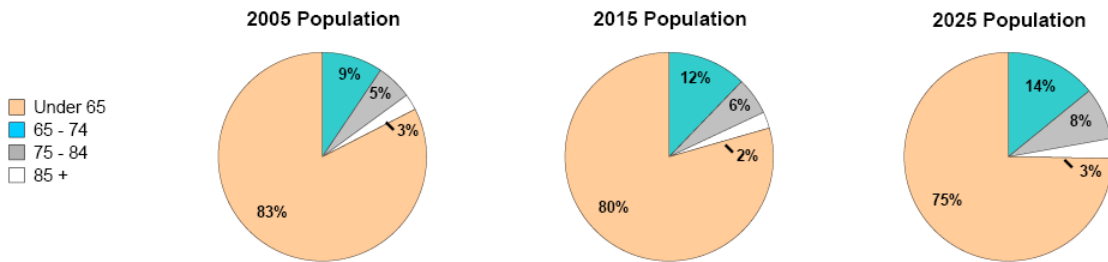
Growth Rate Of Grant County's Aging Population



Grant County Projected 65+ Population and % of general population



Our population is aging in Grant County



Age Group	2005	2015	2025
Under 65	6,249	6,003	5,683
65-74	715	916	1,083
75-84	413	459	616
85 +	201	185	228

Will our facilities meet the needs of Grant County seniors?

Facility Type	Count	Available	Occupied
Physicians per 1000 (2004 Data)	0.65	--	--
Hospitals	1	--	--
Community Facilities	5	73	62
Nursing Homes	1	35	21

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/spwpd/lc/fltc/data/grant.pdf>

Basic Information	Incorporated	Nearest Major City	nearest major city (miles)	Elevation	Monthly Average Low	Monthly Average High	Hottest Month	Coldest Month	Driest Month	Wettest Month
Canyon City	1981	Bend	150	3194	21	88	July	January	July	November
Dayville	1914	Bend	125	2348	23	91	July	December	July	November
Granite	1901	Baker City	47	4755	21	83	July	January	July	December
John Day	1901	Bend	150	3060	21	88	July	January	July	May
Long Creek	1891	Pendleton	90	3754	21	83	July	December	July	November
Monument	1947	Pendleton	120	2000	21	90	July	December	July	December
Mt. Vernon	1948	Bend	142	2871	21	88	July	January	August	May
Prairie City	1891	Pendleton	140	3539	21	88	July	January	July	May
Seneca	1970	Bend	175	4666	8	80	July	January	July	December

Population	1980	1990	1998	1999	2000	2001
Canyon City	639	648	725	725	699	670
Dayville	199	144	185	185	138	140
Granite	17	8	25	25	24	20
John Day	2012	1857	2015	2010	1821	1831
Long Creek	252	249	260	235	228	230
Monument	192	162	165	160	151	150
Mt. Vernon	569	549	659	679	595	699
Prairie City	1106	1117	1195	1205	1080	1080
Seneca	285	191	230	215	223	220
Grant County	8210	7853	8000	8000	7935	7800

Number of Manufacturing Companies	
Canyon City	0
Dayville	0
Granite	0
John Day	5
Long Creek	0
Monument	0
Mt. Vernon	3
Prairie City	1
Seneca	0
Grant County	46

Communities Participating in the National Flood Plan			
Community Name	Initial FIRM Identified	Current Effective Map	Regular or Emergency Date
Canyon City	9/18/1987	9/18/1987	9/18/1987
Dayville	9/24/1984	9/24/1984	9/24/1984
Granite			
John Day	9/15/1977	2/23/1982	9/15/1977
Long Creek	9/24/1984	9/24/1984	9/24/1984
Monument	9/24/1984	9/24/1984	9/24/1984
Mt. Vernon	9/18/1987	9/18/1987	9/18/1987
Prairie City	10/18/1974	10/18/1974	10/18/1974
Seneca	9/24/1984	9/24/1984	9/24/1984
Grant County	2/15/1979	5/18/1982	2/15/1979

Water Supply	Operator	Age of Water System	Plans for Upgrading or Expanding
Canyon City	Town of Canyon City	1935	This is a 20 year Master Plan allowing for expansion when warranted.
Dayville	City of Dayville	1930	There are plans in the very earliest stages for upgrading and expanding the water system. 1. Renovate Chlorinator Building / Install master meter 2. Acquisition of an additional water source 3. Provide a major loop to the system to the school 4. Install n
Granite	City of Granite	1980	Master Plan to be completed by end of 2001
John Day	City of John Day	1980	Drill a new well north of the John Day river near the east end of NW 9th Ave south of reservoir No. 5. Construct a new pump house for the new well. A new well pump, motor, controls, pitless adaptor, piping, valves, and flowmeter will be required for new w
Long Creek	City of Long Creek	1979	
Monument	City of Monument	1976	Yes
Mt. Vernon	City of Mt. Vernon	1948	
Prairie City	City of Prairie City	1975	Construction of a sand filtration system & development of at least one additional well to augment water supply during peak demand.
Seneca	City of Seneca	1940	Plan in process, nearly completed

	Primary Employers	Number of Employees
Canyon City	Grant County - Courthouse, Jail, Road & Health Departments	110
	School District #3 - Humbolt Elementary School & District Office	46
	Grayback Forestry Inc. - Reforestation and Fire Suppression	40
	Jackson Oil Inc. - Texaco Station and Mini Mart and Business Office	13
	Oregon State Highway Department - Maintenance Shop	11
Dayville	Dayville School - Education	20
	Dayville Merc - Grocery/Liquor	3
	TX Lounge - Café/Lounge	3
	Dayville Café - Café	3
	Dayville South-Fork Gas & Mini Mart - Gas/Grocery	-
Granite	The Outback of Granite - Food Service, Fuel, Supplies	4
	The Lodge at Granite	1
John Day	Grant Western Lumber - Lumber	75
	Malheur Lumber Co. - Wood Products	87
	U.S. Forest Service - Malheur National Forestry	156
	Chester's Thriftway - Grocery	74
	Blue Mountain Hospital - Health Services	86
Long Creek	Long Creek School Dist. #17 - Education	17
	Grant County Road Department - Road Maintenance	3
	Oregon State Road Department - Road Maintenance	3
	City of Long Creek - Municipal	4
	Elmer Bennett Trucking - Transport	7
Monument	Columbia Power Co-op - Utility	12
	Monument School Dist. - Education	22
	Boyer Store - Gas/Fuel	4
Mt. Vernon	Oregon Telephone - Utility	-
	Grant County School Dist. #3 - Education	6
	City of Mount Vernon - Municipal	4
	Silver Spur Restaurant - Food	-
	McKern's Texaco Food Mart - Fuel/Convenience Store	-
Prairie City	Prairie Wood Products - Lumber Products	150
	U.S. Forest Service - Forestry	-
	Prairie City School Dist. - Education	-
	City of Prairie City - Municipal	7
Seneca	School District #3 - Education	8
	City of Seneca - Municipal	3

Community Services and Resources	Fire Station(s) serving community	# Paid and Volunteer Firefighters	Nearest Hospital	Distance to Nearest Hospital (miles)	Emergency Services to Community	General Clinic(s)
Canyon City	Canyon City Fire Dept.	10	Blue Mountain Hospital	2	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	2
Dayville	Dayville Fire Dept.	6	Blue Mountain Hospital	31	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	1
Granite	Granite City Fire Dept.	5	St. Elizabeth's Hospital	47	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	0
John Day	John Day Fire Dept. and RFPD	15	Blue Mountain Hospital	local	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	2
Long Creek	Long Creek Fire Dept.	8	Blue Mountain Hospital	41	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	0
Monument	Monument Fire Dept.	6	Blue Mountain Hospital	60	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	1
Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon Fire Dept. and RFPD	20	Blue Mountain Hospital	8	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	0
Prairie City	Prairie City Fire Dept.	28	Blue Mountain Hospital	13	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	0
Seneca	Seneca Volunteer Fire Dept.	7	Blue Mountain Hospital	25	Grant Co. Ambulance & Air Life of Oregon	1

Wastewater Treatment System	Operator	Age of System	Comments	Plans for Upgrade/Expansion
Canyon City	City of John Day	1978	Collection system only in Canyon City - Treatment plan is owned and operated by the City of John Day.	-
Dayville	City of Dayville	2001	-	-
Granite	None	-	-	-
John Day	City of John Day	1979	Last major improvement to the system occurred more than 17 years ago	-
Long Creek	City of Long Creek	1976	-	-
Monument	N/A	-	-	-
Mt. Vernon	City of Mt. Vernon	1979	-	-
Prairie City	Prairie City	1981	Collection and pumping updated 2002. Sewage lines throughout City in need of replacement	Completed 2002
Seneca	City of Seneca	1974	-	-

Transportation	Highways
Canyon City	Hwy 395 N/S route, local; Hwy 26 E/W route, local access
Dayville	Hwy 26E/W route, local access
Granite	Hwy 7 E/W route, access 15 miles
John Day	Hwy 26 E/W rte, local; Hwy 395 rte, local; Hwy 39 N rte, 6 mi access
Long Creek	Hwy 395 N/S route, local access
Monument	Hwy 395 N/S route, access 18 miles
Mt. Vernon	Hwy 26 E/W route, local access; Hwy 395 N/S route, local access
Prairie City	Hwy 26 E/W route, local access
Seneca	Hwy 395 N/S route, local access

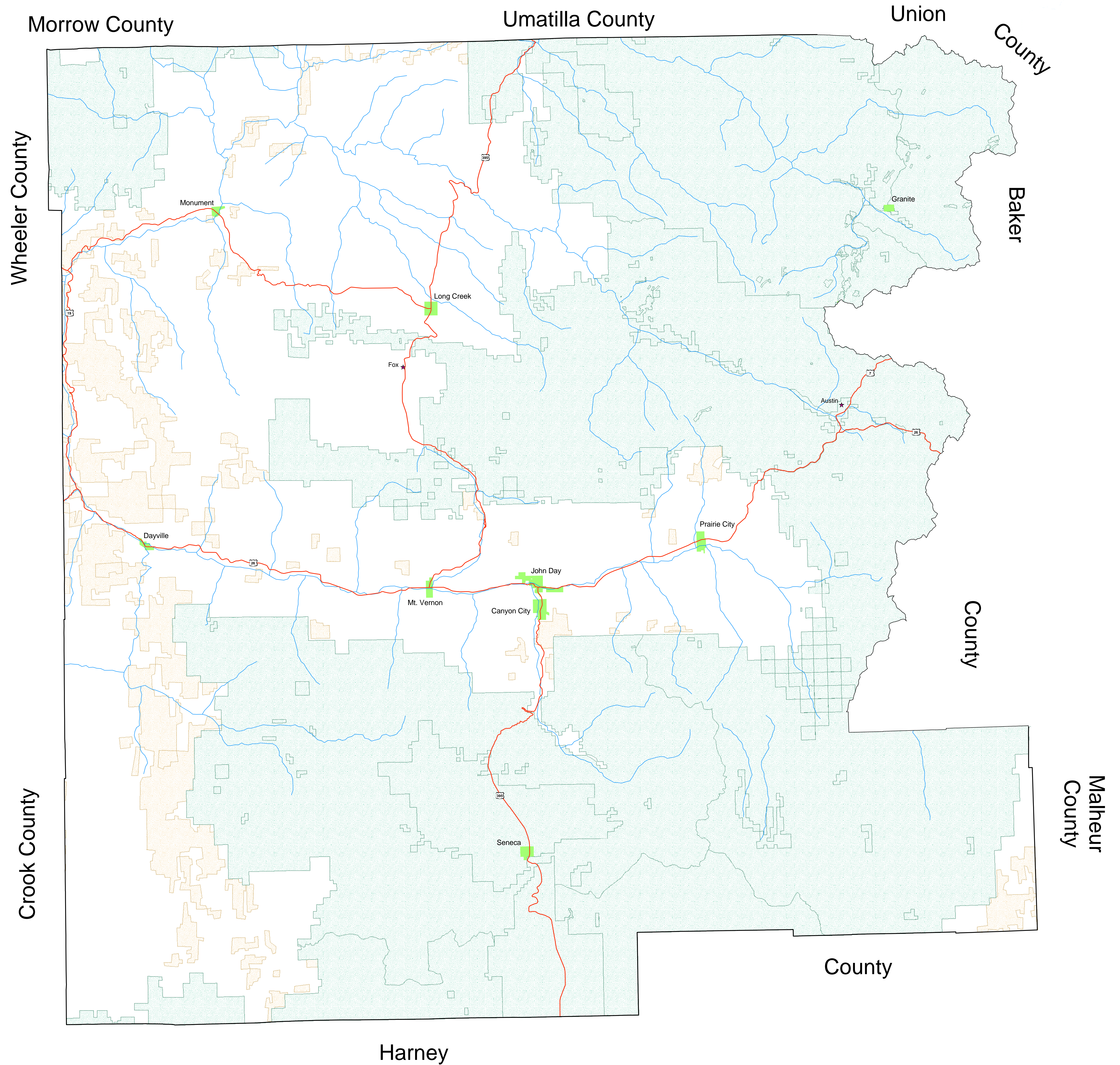
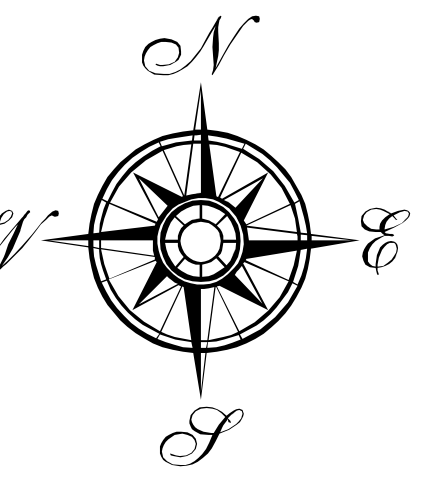
Transportation	Community Air	Air Passenger	Airport Freight	Rail Service	Freight Service
Canyon City	No	No	No	No	No
Dayville	No	No	No	No	No
Granite	No	No	No	No	No
John Day	no	No	No	No	No
Long Creek	No	No	No	No	No
Monument	Yes	No	No	No	No
Mt. Vernon	No	No	No	No	No
Prairie City	No	No	No	No	-
Seneca	No	-	-	No	No

	Passenger Service	Bus Service Available in Community	Buses Per Day	Local Charter Service	Distance to Nearest Bus Service (miles)
Canyon City	No	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	80
Dayville	No	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	105
Granite	No	No	-	No	47
John Day	-	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	80
Long Creek	No	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	90
Monument	No	No	3/week	No	112
Mt. Vernon	No	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	88
Prairie City	-	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	67
Seneca	No	Yes; People Mover	3/week	No	80

*People mover has 3 buses and can carry 26, 11, and 11 persons to Bend and John Day

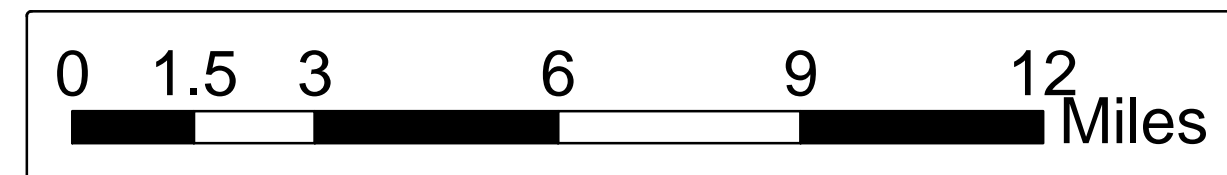
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