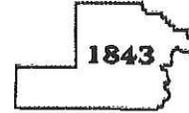


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## OFFICE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

March 22, 2021

**KENNETH HUFFER**  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**JUSTIN HOGUE**  
BUSINESS SERVICES DIRECTOR

The Honorable Kate Brown  
Office of the Governor  
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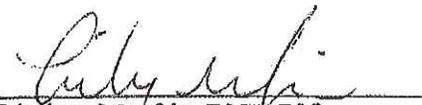
Dear Governor Brown,

Yamhill County has been diligently working to continue finishing vaccinations for Oregonians 65 and older. Yamhill County is confident that we can immediately begin to move to the next prioritization group, while still making efforts to reach out and continue to provide vaccinations to individuals 65 and older. To support this request, Yamhill County attests to the following:

- As of March 15, 2021, Yamhill County had vaccinated 55.14% of those 65 and over. The overall state is at 53.69% for this group. This data does not include any vaccinations that have taken place between March 15, 2021 and the date of this letter, which we estimate to be over 2,000. That estimate also does not include vaccinations done through the Veterans Administration.
- Vaccine clinics are taking longer to fill (both via phone and via emailed links) with some late last week not being filled which we believe is a great indicator that a large portion of those currently eligible wanting to be vaccinated have had the opportunity.
- Based on OHA survey data it is estimated that as much as 40% of the general population are hesitant to get the vaccine which is something that can be compared to the total percentage vaccinated thus far. Of note, this OHA survey was last completed in January and we anticipate the percentage of those hesitant to have gone down.
- Yamhill County is currently working with Unidos to schedule appointments for currently eligible individuals and would like them to also be able to begin scheduling for Group 6 Latinx community members. Allowing Yamhill County to begin vaccinations for Group 6 is critical, as this community has seen a significant disproportionate burden of covid-19 illness and have a much lower vaccination rate.
- Some healthcare clinics have vaccinated their 65 plus patient population and Yamhill County is seeking to allow our health care providers who have vaccinated their patient population of 65 and over, to begin vaccinating Group 6 this week.

Sincerely,

  
Kenneth Huffer  
County Administrator

  
Lindsey Manfrin, DNP, RN  
HHS Director/Public Health Administrator

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