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Town of Malden hosts COVID-19 vaccine and health-check clinic

June 14, 2021 (MALDEN, Wash.) — The Pine Creek Community Restoration Long Term Recovery Operation (LTRO) and the Town of Malden, in partnership with Palouse Alliance, Range Clinics, Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, and United Way of Whitman County, will be hosting a COVID-19 vaccine and health-check clinic for residents of Malden and Pine City. The clinic will take place at Malden Town Hall on Tuesday, June 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Individuals 12 years old and older are eligible for the vaccination, with a parent or guardian present for minors. Walk-ins are welcome. To pre-register for vaccine, go to prepmo.doh.wa.gov, search on Location: Range, and click on 6/22/21 Clinic, or call 1-888-RANGEWA (726-4392) x 1.

The Pine Creek Community Restoration recovery effort, which was delayed by a FEMA disaster designation that took 151 days after the Babb Road Fire of September 7, 2020, is still in the debris clean-up and testing phase of rebuilding.

In recent days, volunteers from Team Rubicon Disaster Response, a nonprofit organization of military veterans and first responders who provide relief to those impacted by disasters and humanitarian crises, were deployed to Malden and Pine City to remove hundreds of fire-affected hundred trees on public property.

Officials from state agencies and contractors are currently in the region completing environmental testing of property and the removal of debris and rubble. Testing is required to determine if there may have been contamination from the burnt debris of man-made materials and vegetation.

Charitable organizations were able to rebuild two homes for uninsured homeowners earlier this year, and seven more are being planned for later this fall.

For questions about the June 22 clinic, please contact 1-888-RANGEWA (726-4392) x 1. For questions about the Pine Creek Community Restoration LTRO, please contact babbroadfirerecovery@gmail.com.

The Pine Creek Community Restoration Long Term Recovery Organization is a non-profit organization established to help unite the residents of the Malden and Pine City communities in the aftermath of the Babb Road Fire on September 7, 2020. To learn more, visit pinecreekcommunityrestoration.org.

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