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## Reverse Parade Format for 2020 Douglas County Veterans Day Parade Parade: Wednesday, November 11 - Entry Deadline: Friday, October 30

(Roseburg, Oregon) – The Douglas County Board of Commissioners wanted to remind everyone about the upcoming **Douglas County Veterans Day Parade** this year, and encourage those able to participate and/or attend to join us in honoring our local military heroes. The annual Veterans Day Parade, organized and run by the Douglas County Veterans Day Parade Committee, will take place on **Wednesday, November 11, 2020**, starting at **11:00 am**. However, in light of the current social gathering guidelines, as well as concern for our resident’s health and safety due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this year it will be a “**Reverse**” parade. Which means that the floats will be stationary, while the parade viewers will be the ones driving by in vehicles. The parade route has also been moved to the Douglas County Fairgrounds in order to provide proper distancing for staging of the parade entries. The Commissioners and Parade Officials encourage those able to design, craft and enter a float or gather a band or static display, to do so by the fast approaching entry deadline of Friday, October 30, 2020.

*Oregon's Greatest Veterans Day Parade  
in Reverse for 2020!!*

**Douglas County  
Invites You!**

**Grand Marshals  
US Military Doctors & Nurses**

*"Embrace the past, Engage the present, Envision the future"*

When: Wednesday, November 11, 2020  
Where: Douglas County Fairgrounds  
Time: 11:00am to 2:00pm

Parade Applications:  
[www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans/](http://www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans/) Application Deadline October 30, 2020

*\* Due to Covid-19 safety restrictions, floats and parade entrants will be stationary with 6 foot distancing in place, and spectators will drive through.*

*The 2020 Reverse parade will include a drive-thru Flu clinic, static displays, food trucks, and much more. Join us!*

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The Douglas County Veterans Day Parade is a long-anticipated tradition that is held every year on Veterans Day. It is often referred to as the greatest Veterans Day Parade in Oregon, and on several occasions it has been the largest. The **2020 Grand Marshals will be Military Doctors & Nurses, while the theme is “Embrace the past –Engage the present –Envision the future.”** We invite you to join us for the 2020 Veterans Day Parade at the Douglas County Fairgrounds, however, due to the circumstances, we ask that you please follow the guidelines that have been designed for the safety, protection and enjoyment of all participating.

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## **2020 Douglas County Veterans Day Reverse Parade Information and Guidelines**

- Due to Covid-19 this year's Veterans Day Parade will be a "Reverse" Parade.
- The parade entries will be stationary, while the viewers drive past along the parade route in vehicles.
- It will be on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 11:00 am
- It will be at the Douglas County Fairgrounds and not in downtown Roseburg this year.
- [Click here](#) to see a map of the 2020 Douglas County Veterans Day Parade route.
- All parade entries are asked to be in place by 10:00 am and parade officials will allow the community to start driving through at 11:00 am
- Parade floats will be staged in the North Parking Lot of the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- Static parade displays in West Parking Lot of the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
- The bands will be in the Grandstands, adjacent to the racetrack.
- There will also be an optional drive-thru flu clinic and food trucks available. The flu clinic will be behind the grand-stands and food trucks will be located at the end of the parade route in the racetrack pits.
- Parade viewers and participants must follow the posted signs and directions of Parade Officials/Staff.
- Parade viewers are asked to stay in their vehicles, and not make any pit stops along the parade route.
- All entries must check in to receive their staging location.
- No support vehicles will be allowed in staging areas.
- Facemasks are required for anyone not able to maintain 6-foot distancing, per state guidelines.
- All entries will obey instructions and take directions from parade control units, aligners and police officers concerning the operating and staging of vehicles for this reverse parade.
- Floats will need to stay in the staging area from the start to the end of the parade.
- If parade viewers wish to stop at the end of the parade to visit the food trucks, they will need to make sure to follow the posted guidelines and directions of Parade Officials/Staff.

The Douglas County Veteran's Day Parade entry deadline is **Friday, October 30, 2020 by 5:00 pm**. Your entry must include your completed parade application, and since there is no judging this year, the \$5.00 entry fee has been waived. Late entries will be notified of space availability. The Veterans Day Parade Committee reserves the right, for safety purposes to deny entry either prior to or during the parade to any entry not adhering to the rules or following the directions of the Law Enforcement personnel or Parade Officials. If you have questions, please contact the Douglas County Veterans Day Parade Committee at (503) 504-8198.

### **Douglas County Veteran's Day Parade Entry Applications are available online at:**

<https://www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans/parade.asp>

### **Douglas County Veteran's Day Parade Entry Applications may be mailed to:**

Veterans Day Parade Committee, PO Box 1124, Roseburg, Oregon 97470

We hope you are able to join us for the 2020 Veterans Day Parade at the Douglas County Fairgrounds on Wednesday, November 11, 2020.

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