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Eugene, Oregon, Recognized as a Bee-Friendly City

An environmental group dedicated to protecting bees has given Eugene a Bee City USA designation.

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EUGENE, Ore. (AP) – Eugene is a fine place to be if you're a bee.

The Register-Guard reports that an environmental group dedicated to protecting bees, butterflies and pollinators has given the [Oregon \(/news/best-states/oregon\)](#) city a Bee City USA designation.

Eugene is the 71st city to get the honor from the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation.

An international decline in bee populations has environmentalists worried about the insects.

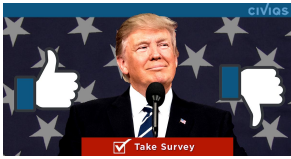
Five years ago, beekeepers and others urged Eugene leaders to stop using a pesticide suspected of killing honeybees at a golf course and on downtown flower pots. The city stopped using the pesticide in 2014.

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Eugene also received the designation because it has 10 parks where herbicides are not used.

Krystal Abrams of Beyond Toxics, a Eugene-based environmental group, says the city uses pesticides sparingly, only when it has to control an outbreak.

Information from: The Register-Guard,
<http://www.registerguard.com>

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These states are the best in America for educating students at all levels.



Economy, Energy and Trump Dominate Governor's Race

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Colorado's economy is taking central stage in the governor's race between Democratic U.S. Rep. Jared Polis and state Treasurer Walker Stapleton. Both are running against the term-limited incumbent, Democrat John Hanks.

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Remains of Illinois Marine Killed During WWII Return Home (<https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/hawaii/articles/2018-10-11/remains-of-illinois-marine-killed-during-wwii-return-home?int=undefined-rec>)

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A Chicago-area Marine killed during World War II has returned home after 75 years being buried in Hawaii as an unknown serviceman.



Philadelphia Will Stop Keeping a Portion of Defendants' Bail
(<https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/pennsylvania/articles/2018-10-11/philadelphia-will-stop-keeping-a-portion-of-defendants-bail?int=undefined-rec>)

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Philadelphia says it will no longer keep a portion of defendants' bail deposits even if they appear for court hearings.

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Poliquin: Letter Taking Credit for Saving Jobs Sent in Error
(<https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/maine/articles/2018-10-11/poliquin-letter-taking-credit-for-saving-jobs-sent-in-error?int=undefined-rec>)

Oct. 11, 2018

A spokesman for Republican Rep. Bruce Poliquin says a letter taking credit for saving jobs at a mill that later closed was sent to constituents "in error."



The Latest: Driver Killed by Falling Tree D Storm

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North Carolina authorities say a driver has died as a tree fell on his car as Michael's wind and rain lashed the state.

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3 Farmers to Plead Guilty in Organic Grain Fraud Scheme

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Oct. 11, 2018

Three Nebraska farmers have agreed to plead guilty to fraudulently marketing non-organic corn and soybeans as certified organic as part of a multi-million-dollar scheme from 2010 until 2017.

[Diary Aids Understanding of Revolutionary War Lake Battle \(https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/vermont/articles/2018-10-11/diary-aids-understanding-of-revolutionary-war-lake-battle?int=undefined-rec\)](https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/vermont/articles/2018-10-11/diary-aids-understanding-of-revolutionary-war-lake-battle?int=undefined-rec)

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The rediscovery of a Revolutionary War diary belonging to one of the American commanders of the Battle of Valcour Island is offering historians a fresh view of the fight that historians credit with helping the fledgling United States of America survive.

[Washington State Woman, 78, Killed in Nevada Rollover \(https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/nevada/articles/2018-10-11/washington-state-woman-78-killed-in-nevada-rollover?int=undefined-rec\)](https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/nevada/articles/2018-10-11/washington-state-woman-78-killed-in-nevada-rollover?int=undefined-rec)

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The Nevada Highway Patrol has identified a 78-year-old woman from Washington state who was killed in a single rollover crash on U.S. Highway 95 in the high desert about 140 miles southeast of Reno.

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