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OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Deer Ridge Correctional Institution

Deer Ridge Correctional Institution (DRCI), the newest prison in Oregon, is located four miles east of the city of Madras in central Oregon. The prison is comprised of a 773-bed minimum-security facility and a 1,228-bed medium-security facility. Construction began in October 2005 and the first minimum-security inmates arrived in September 2007. The medium-security prison was completed in February 2008 and is not receiving inmates at this time. This is Oregon's fourteenth prison.

The Department of Corrections (DOC) has appointed a Prison Advisory Committee (PAC) consisting of representatives from Jefferson County. The membership provides representation from a broad cross-section of backgrounds and local interests. The purpose of the PAC is to serve as a citizen advisory group to DOC regarding construction activities, correctional issues and other DOC activities that may affect communities in Jefferson County. In addition, the PAC promotes effective communication between the community and DOC.

Site Information:

- Total acreage: 453
- Total acres used for placement of the facilities: 200

Capacity:

- Budgeted capacity: 773
 - Minimum-security beds: 773 (106 of these beds are dedicated to special treatment programs)
 - Medium-security beds: 1,228
- Inmate count on 3/30/2011: 754

Number of staff: 186 (expected to grow to 491 when the medium begins to receive inmates.)

Union representation: American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

Program services:

- Education
- Drug and alcohol treatment
- Mental health treatment
- Cognitive programs
- Inmate work crews

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Oregon Department of Corrections
is to promote public safety by
holding offenders accountable for their
actions and reducing the risk of future
criminal behavior.**



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