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Women's Prison Ground Breaking Ceremony Friday

The Oregon Department of Corrections will commemorate the ground breaking of the new women's prison and intake center on Friday, April 21. The 9:30 a.m. ceremony will take place on the Day Road site near Wilsonville. A reception will follow at 10:30 at the Holiday Inn Select in Wilsonville.

Because of parking limitations and to be considerate of property owners who have not yet relocated, the on-site ceremony is intended to be small. Reporters are welcome, but please keep support people to a minimum (i.e., one camera person per organization). Sorry, we won't be able to accommodate broadcast vehicles on site.

Additional guests are invited to join in at the Holiday Inn Select, 25425 SW 95th Avenue in Wilsonville, at 10:30.

The program includes an announcement of the name of the 1252-bed facility. The prison has the capacity to house 432 men and women in the admission-to-prison process and 820 multi-custody women. It will employ approximately 430 people. The project budget is \$171,721,178. The prison will be completed in July 2002.