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## Some relief for parking shortage in sight; spaces to be reclaimed

By Chris Norred  
Of the Emerald

Some relief for the campus parking shortage should be available soon, said Harold Babcock, director of the University Physical Plant.

The parking shortage reached crisis levels recently because various construction projects have reduced the available automobile spaces in several existing lots on campus.

The recent moving of Hayward Field's east grandstand permanently eliminated about 30 to 40 parking spaces that once existed between the grandstand and Agate Street.

The grandstand construction

project is nearing an end, however, Babcock said. And when the construction equipment is removed, about 30 to 40 parking spaces will be reclaimed between the north end of the grandstand and 15th Avenue.

Another construction project, the University's new Museum of Natural History, is displacing a big section in the southwest corner of the University's biggest parking lot near the Bean Dormitory Complex.

The museum project is about six weeks ahead of schedule and could be completed before the end of the term, Babcock said.

Once the museum is completed, construction equipment can be removed from the parking lot and several parking spaces will be reclaimed.

A small parking lot, between Kincaid and Alder streets on 12th Avenue, which the University purchased from Northwest Christian College earlier this year, is available now, and a portion of it recently was repaved, Babcock said.

One of the two temporary,

gravel parking lots that were built below the Howe Field baseball park will be lost this spring when work begins on the softball field construction there.

Construction work on the new Science V building, which is scheduled to begin in early May, also will displace many parking spaces along 13th Avenue and in the parking lot behind the Science III building.

Next week, the University will accept bids from construction companies to build a 150-space parking lot in the Silva Orchard, behind the New Oregon Motel on Franklin Boulevard.

Once bids are received for the Silva Orchard lot, "we'll proceed right away," Babcock said. The construction will take about 45 days to finish, he said.

The Silva Orchard lot will be gravel-surfaced, fenced and lighted, he said. The plan for the lot calls for all trees to be left standing.

The Silva Orchard parking lot is planned as a temporary solution to the parking problem, but other long-term solutions are being considered by the campus parking committee, said David Rowe, the campus planner.

Two areas are being considered as possible sites for construction of a parking structure on campus, Rowe said.

The intramural playing fields between 15th and 18th avenues and Agate and University streets is being studied by the parking committee to determine how it might be used to alleviate the parking shortage, he said.

The Alder Street tennis courts also are being studied as a possible site for some sort of parking structure.

The campus parking committee meets in the EMU Maple Room today at 9 a.m.

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