

**Clearcutting ban**

An Oregon ballot measure that would ban clearcutting and pesticides could severely disable the state's timber industry

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**Ems win second in a row**

The Emeralds won their second-straight game against Southern Oregon Monday night on the strength of pitcher Scott Sobkowiak's right arm

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**TODAY**

Eugene's Human Rights Commission meets at 6 p.m. in the City Hall McNutt Room.

**WEATHER**

**Today**  
Sunny  
High 93. Low 54.  
**Wednesday**  
Sunny  
High 90. Low 57.

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**State universities given control over own funds**

Starting in 1999, tuition money will no longer be pooled by the seven Oregon schools

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The fiscal melting pot that has confused higher education officials since 1984 was traded in last week for a more streamlined model. The state Board of Higher Education voted unanimously Thursday to decentralize funding of Oregon's seven universities.

The meeting generated a request for a 12 percent increase in funds from the state general fund, which will be delivered to the Oregon Legislature in its next session. Over the two-year period, an additional \$121 million will be pumped into the "enrollment-driven" budget model.

The Budget Allocation System (BAS) that was installed in 1984 is currently in place but will be scrapped for a new competitive system in the 1999-2000 biennium. Under the Oregon University System's

new budget outline, the majority of state appropriation will be allocated on a per-student basis. The board's plan will also implement performance indicators to evaluate each institution; performance funding will be given for successful programs.

BAS includes nearly 200 calculations in determining university allocations.

"It is very complex," said John Moseley, University Provost. "It has factors for everything."

The old system pools all student tuition, student fees, and state funds and makes allocations according to an outdated set of factors. With the new arrangement, all student tuition will stay on each campus while state dollars will be distributed on a per-student basis with additional funding given to successful programs. While leaders of the drive for a new system have criticized BAS as out of date, they equally rec-

ognize how the stability and unity of the system was appropriate for its time.

The board delivered the proposal in a meeting at Central Oregon Community College upon last December's request by Gov. John Kitzhaber for a streamlined and competitive system.

The Oregon Institute of Technology was cited as an institution where adjusting to the changes would be difficult. OIT currently relies on a large amount of subsidies due to its expensive programs and a teaching staff that requires a competitive salary. The new system, however, should complement or enhance the vision at OIT, said Public Affairs director Gary Willhied.

"One of the things that makes us optimistic is the long history of placing out graduates in high-paying jobs," Willhied

*"It definitely strives toward increasing autonomy on a campus level."*

Philip Bransford  
assistant director  
for the chancellor

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**THE CAMPUS BUZZ**

LAURA GOSS/Emerald

Seattle Coffee Company will serve as the beverage of choice for EMU-operated vendors in a variety of campus locations.

**Seattle Coffee wins EMU contract**

The original selection round was annulled, but the same company was chosen a second time

Amy Goldhammer  
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Seattle Coffee Company's java brought its competition to a grinding halt — again.

The company won an EMU coffee contract in an earlier proposal in the spring, but it was revoked by the University Office of Business Affairs after three other companies said the decision and scoring processes were unfair.

"The first process was found to be somewhat unclear," said Theresa Coleman-Kaiser, EMU Food Services director. This led to a second selection process.

The new request for contract proposals was revised and included consideration of price, ability to perform under the contract, service, training, and mar-

keting and promotion of the company, Coleman-Kaiser said. Scoring in the first process had been vague, she said. The first round also included a taste test, a step that was eliminated for the second round because it was deemed unreliable since the companies offer such a wide range of choices.

The decision committee included four administration members and two students.

"The second time around was air-tight," said Matt Galvin, vice president of wholesale sales for Seattle Coffee Co. "[All bidders] were crystal clear as to what the process was."

"It was a very close race. There were eight very good

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**DDS funding still in flux after freeze**

The ASUO Executive froze part of the program's budget due to questions about spending

By Leanne Nelms  
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Three months after the 1998 ASUO elections, the dust has still not settled surrounding one of the ballot measures.

On Sunday, in its first summer session, the ASUO Student Senate postponed any final decision regarding the transfer of the remaining \$23,788 to the Designated Driver Shuttle from its \$50,000 ballot measure. The measure was approved by students in the spring to enable DDS to increase its service from four to seven days per week.

The senate's action came at the end of at least three weeks of confusion about the DDS total budget, questions about spending by the program and differing interpretations of ballot measures.

DDS was originally allocated \$26,212 by the ASUO Programs Finance Committee early this year to run a four-day-per-week service. According to DDS director Brandon Smith, then-director Ryan Ositis later decided to put the question of seven-day operation before the voters. After the \$50,000 measure passed, it was immediately unclear whether the DDS total budget was \$76,212 — the PFC allocation plus the ballot measure funds — or simply \$50,000.

In a letter to ASUO Vice President Morgan Cowling, former ASUO President Bill Miner said he "put the DDS ballot measure on the ballot with the intent to replace the PFC money."

Smith concurred with Miner's statement. "Most ballot measures replace the money from the PFC. It was my interpretation that the \$50,000 would replace the \$26,000," he



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