Counties to get \$158 mil for schools

Oregon counties will receive almost \$158 million through the final installment of the 2003 county payments funds provided by The Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden and Larry Craig (R-Idaho) wrote the law in 2000 to secure a stable source of funding for rural counties; U.S. Sen. Gordon Smith (R-Ore.) co-sponsored the bill and was instrumental in its passage.

"At a time when Oregon continues to struggle with its finances, I am pleased that my legislation is providing an economic shot in the arm for jobs and our schools," Wyden said. "This could not have been accomplished without the bipartisan support of Doug Robertson and the rest of our county leaders, as well as the Oregon congressional delegation."

"These payments are a lifeline for county governments. They mean jobs and a secure source of funding for rural schools, roads and county services," said Doug Robertson, chairman of the O&C Counties Association and a Douglas County commissioner. "Sen. Wyden really listened and came through for rural communities with this law."

The county payments legislation directs \$1.3 billion during a six-year period from U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to Oregon counties for education, roads and county services.

The \$158 million is the forest service portion of the 2003 funding and represents an almost 90 percent increase in forest service monies from before Wyden's bill was enacted. The BLM portion of the released to Oregon counties on Oct. 31.

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lar amount for rural schools and counties by averaging the three highest receipt producing years between fiscal years 1986 and 1999. Under this proposal, 80-85 percent of funding will be reserved for traditional county schools and services supported by federal revenues, and 15-20 percent of mon-

ies will be set aside for national forest land or forest-related cooperative projects. Oregon counties receiving the forest service portion of funds include: Josephine, \$2.93 million; Jackson, \$6.14 million; Douglas, \$21.65 million; and Curry, \$5.35 million.

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most, \$32.64 million. The county payments law will provide payments through 2006. Wyden said he is committed to again the entire Oregon delegation to reauthorize the bill and maintain a steady funding source.

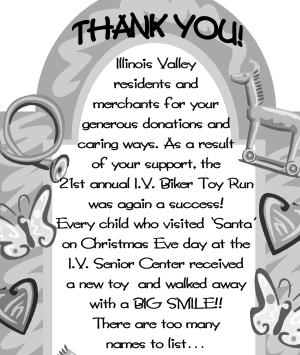
DMV changes noted for '04

Oregon residents will see some changes at DMV when they obtain or renew a driver license, instruction permit or identification card starting in 2004.

The changes come as a result of laws created by the 2003 Legislature and by DMV's efforts to tighten the security of licenses and ID cards. Nearly all new laws and ID-security requirements will take effect Jan. 1.

Customers also will see fees increase for many DMV services as part of Oregon's investment in bridges and highways during the next decade.

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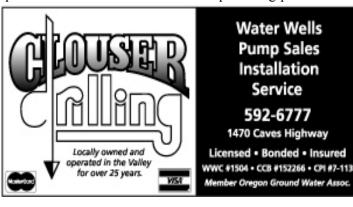


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Wyden announces anti-terrorist money

U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) and Gordon Smith (R-Ore) announced that Oregon will receive \$2,549,525 in homeland security funds from the Dept. of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The grant is made available to aid state preparedness activities and



emergency management. They include developing, improving, and maintaining state and local emergency operation plans; supporting and participating in community preparedness activities; and developing a state plan to test the emergency system.

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Earlier this month, FEMA awarded \$2.5 million to Oregon through the Emergency Food and Shelter (EFS) Program to supplement food, shelter, rent, mortgage and utility assistance programs for Oregonians with non-disaster related emergencies. FEMA became part of the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security in March 2003.

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