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## Bend-La Pine Schools

# District makes 'proactive' land buy for future school

*Petrosa housing development to have infrastructure already*

BY JACKSON HOGAN

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The Petrosa housing development — located off Eagle Road and Butler Market Road just outside Bend's northeastern city limits — isn't much to look at yet.

There are a handful of finished roads, and some foundational work, but passersby wouldn't see the frames of any buildings. The actual houses won't be ready for move in until the summer or fall, said Jessica Seidel, marketing director for housing developer Pahlisch Homes.

But that didn't stop Bend-La Pine Schools from spending nearly \$2.9 million to purchase 10 acres of land in the northern part of Petrosa, with the intention of building the district's 19th elementary school at that site.

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Construction crews work at the new Petrosa housing development near Deschutes Market and Butler Market roads Wednesday just northeast of the Bend city limits.



## BEND

# Urban growth boundary back on table

*Council wants changes to bill, more affordable housing*

BY BRENNIA VISSER

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A bill that would bring about 260 acres of land into Bend's urban growth boundary is again being considered after being delayed by the Republican walkout in the state Legislature last year.

But this year, a new Bend City Council is proposing some changes to the bill in an effort to ensure more diverse and affordable housing will be developed, said city Councilor Anthony Broadman.

"If this project succeeds, this could be the most complete, sustainable expansion area in the history of our city, and it would come at a time when our housing needs are as acute as they've ever been."

The bill, a version of which was first introduced last year by state Rep. Brian Clem, D-Salem, would bring the other half of the 642-acre Stevens Road tract into the urban growth boundary.

See [Stevens Road / A9](#)

# In ironic twist, Blockbuster movie comes to Netflix

BY KYLE SPURR

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Before two Bend filmmakers created their documentary "The Last Blockbuster," they thought it would be funny if their movie appeared on Netflix.

As the most popular streaming service in the world, Netflix led to the demise of video rental stores such as Blockbuster, which went from about 9,000 stores at its peak to just one off Third Street in Bend.

Starting Monday, the unexpected will happen. The Blockbuster documentary will be available on Netflix. The film, which director Taylor Morden created with filmmaker Zeke Kamm, is expected to be on the platform for at least a year.

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# St. Charles, union continue talks with mediator

BY SUZANNE ROIG • The Bulletin

Eight days into a work stoppage, the first in more than four decades at St. Charles Bend, the union representing therapists, technicians and technologists met again Thursday with hospital administration and a federal mediator.

The hospital and the Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals are at odds over salary and shift wages for the estimated 154 workers. In addition, the hospital said in a prepared statement that it objected to the union's request for a closed shop, which means that any new technicians, technologists or therapists hired would be required to join the union.

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# Bend homeless camp cleanup draws criticism



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An ODOT crew removes materials from a homeless camp near Revere Avenue and the Bend Parkway on Thursday.

BY BRENNIA VISSER

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A cleanup at a homeless camp off Revere Avenue near the interchange with the Bend Parkway has drawn ire from some activists.

On Thursday morning, workers with the Oregon Department of Transportation and Bend Police Department brought in equipment to clean up an area of roughly half a dozen camps. The notice for the cleanup was posted Feb. 25, said Peter Murphy, a spokesperson for ODOT.

Murphy said initially the agency posted only one eviction notice for one particular camp that was not keeping the area clean. But later in the day, the ODOT District 10 manager decided to negotiate with the camper, who will now be allowed to stay.

"We are sufficiently apprised of her desire to abide by our rules. She met the threshold to stay," Murphy said.

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