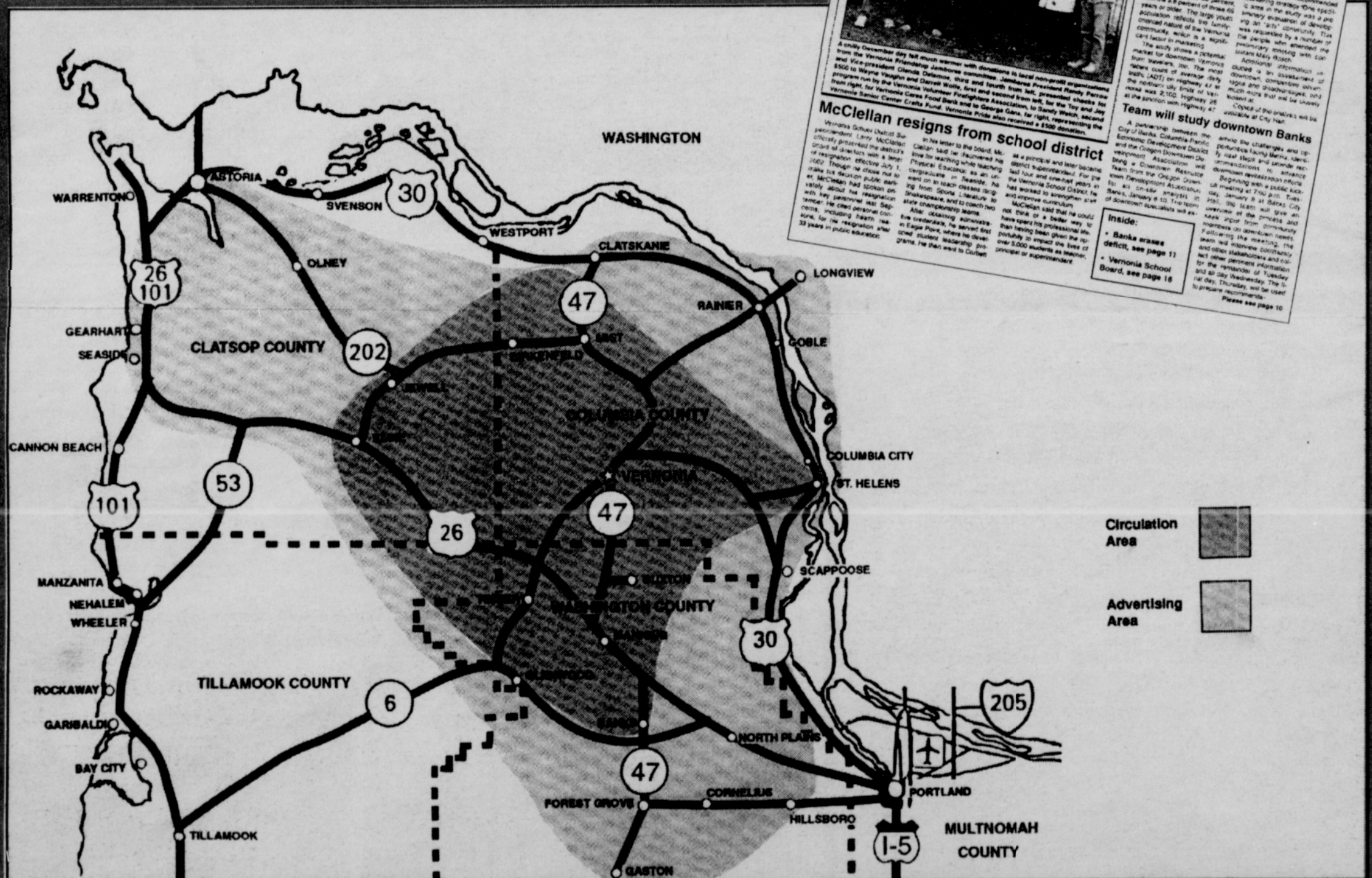


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Vernonia marketing analysis prepared

A marketing analysis of Vernonia, Oregon, was prepared by the Oregon Economic Development Association (EDA) for the City of Vernonia. The analysis was completed in December 2001 and is available for review by the community.

The study included a review of the city's demographics, economic base, and marketing efforts. It also provided recommendations for future marketing and economic development strategies.

McClellan resigns from school district

Veronica School District Superintendent John McClellan has resigned from his position. McClellan had served as superintendent since 1998. His resignation was effective January 1, 2002.

Team will study downtown Banks

A partnership between the City of Banks, Columbia County, and the Oregon Downtown Development Association (ODDA) will study the downtown area of Banks, Oregon. The study will focus on identifying opportunities for economic development and improving the downtown environment.

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