

Oregon Council of Presidents



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Senate President
Speaker of the House
Co-Chairs of the Joint Ways and Means Committee
Members of the Capital Construction Subcommittee of the Joint Ways and Means Committee
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Senators and Representatives,

As you know, in August 2016 the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) considered and recommended a consolidated 2017-19 capital request for public universities. In November, the HECC revised its recommended list. The Governor's Recommended Budget contains yet another public university capital list. **We respectfully request that the Legislature approve the attached capital list, considered by the HECC in August 2016, with designated requests totaling \$284.39 million.** Approving all of the projects on the August list would leverage \$104 million in matching gifts and university resources.

This capital request began with a slate of projects totaling \$614 million. Through a rigorous process that sought to balance Oregon's overwhelming need for deferred maintenance and new investment with campus-specific opportunities and challenges, the university Vice Presidents for Finance and Administration narrowed the list to \$284 million, significantly less than the \$346 million requested in 2015-17. University Boards of Trustees, senior administrations, and wide-ranging campus constituencies then reviewed and approved these projects as the most justifiable investments needed to support and advance student success through the built environment.

We recognize that there are other capital projects that are not on this list, either because they were set aside in our prioritization process or because they were presented after that process occurred. While those projects may each have merit, we believe the projects totaling \$284 million should be prioritized. We also agree that, among the projects listed, the highest priority should be an investment of \$65 million in Capital Improvement and Renewal to be distributed among all seven campuses.

We appreciate the recognition by the HECC and Governor of the need for additional investments in capital assets. Through our partnership with the State, we have been able to keep capital support on pace with enrollment growth over the last decade. Bonding capacity that is dedicated to higher education facilities and infrastructure is just as crucial for student success as operating support.

We look forward to working collaboratively with you this Session in securing the needed funding for capital and operating expenses for Oregon's public higher education institutions.


Sincerely,



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Portland State University



President Thomas A. Insko
Eastern Oregon University



President Ed Ray
Oregon State University



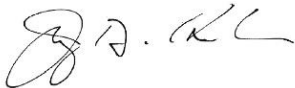
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Project Financial Summary												
Priority Rank	Institution	Project	State-Paid Debt				State Paid Cumulative Total	Campus Paid Debt & Resources			All Sources Total	Cumulative Total (All Prioritized Projects)
			XI-G	XI-Q	Lottery Bonds	State-Paid Total		XI-F	Gifts/Other	Campus Total		
1	All	Capital Improvement & Repair	\$ -	\$ 65,000,000	\$ -	\$ 65,000,000 *	\$ 65,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,000,000	\$ 65,000,000
2	PSU	4th & Montgomery for Graduate School of Education	\$ 36,000,000	\$ 9,000,000	\$ -	\$ 45,000,000 *	\$ 110,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 52,000,000	\$ 58,000,000	\$ 103,000,000	\$ 168,000,000
3	OSU	Gilkey Hall Renovation	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000 *	\$ 113,000,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 173,000,000
4	OSU	Oregon Quality Foods & Beverage Center	\$ 9,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000,000 *	\$ 122,000,000		\$ 9,000,000	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 18,000,000	\$ 191,000,000
5	EOU	Information Technology Equipment Facility	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000 *	\$ 123,200,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 192,200,000
6	OSU	Cordley Hall Renovation Phase I	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000 *	\$ 138,200,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 207,200,000
7	OIT	Center For Excellence In Engineering And Technology/Renovation Of Cornett Hall	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 38,000,000	\$ -	\$ 40,000,000 *	\$ 178,200,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 42,000,000	\$ 249,200,000
8	UO	Classroom and Faculty Office Building	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 25,000,000	\$ -	\$ 55,000,000 *	\$ 233,200,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 85,000,000	\$ 334,200,000
9	SOU	Central Hall Modernization	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000 *	\$ 239,200,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 340,200,000
10	WOU	Oregon Military Academy – Phase 2 Renovation	\$ 500,000	\$ 7,200,000		\$ 7,700,000 *	\$ 246,900,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 8,200,000	\$ 348,400,000
11	WOU	Information Technology Center – Phase 3 Building Renovation	\$ 500,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ 5,500,000 *	\$ 252,400,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 354,400,000
12	EOU	Loso Hall Renovation, Phase One	\$ -	\$ 5,500,000	\$ -	\$ 5,500,000 *	\$ 257,900,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 359,900,000
13	OSU	Fairbanks Hall Renovation	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000 *	\$ 268,900,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000	\$ 370,900,000
14	EOU	Athletics, Physical Activity & Health Field House	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 6,000,000 *	\$ 274,900,000		\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 378,900,000
15	OSUC	Cascades Expansion- a. Site Reclamation	\$ -	\$ 9,000,000	\$ -	\$ 9,000,000 *	\$ 283,900,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 387,900,000
16	OSUC	Cascades Expansion- b. Campus Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000		\$ 11,000,000	\$ 294,900,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000	\$ 398,900,000
17	OSUC	Cascades Expansion- d. Student Success Center	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 304,900,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 413,900,000
18	OSUC	Cascades Expansion- c. Academic Building 2	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 29,000,000	\$ -	\$ 39,000,000	\$ 343,900,000		\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 49,000,000	\$ 462,900,000
19	OSUC	Cascades Graduate & Research Center Renovation	\$ -	\$ 490,000	\$ -	\$ 490,000 *	\$ 344,390,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 490,000	\$ 463,390,000
N/A	EOU	Track and Field Facilities Restoration Project	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 750,000	\$ -	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000	N/A
N/A	PSU	University Center Building Land Purchase	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 15,000,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	N/A
N/A	PSU	12th and Market Resident Hall	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 53,500,000	\$ -	\$ 53,500,000	\$ 53,500,000	N/A
N/A	OIT	Student Recreation Center	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	N/A

		State-Paid Total	\$ 284,390,000	Match on original projects:	\$ 98,000,000
		Projects in HECC's April recommendation	\$ 344,390,000	Match on April HECC recommendation:	\$ 113,000,000