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Marion County honors state buildings with 'EarthWISE' awards
Awards go to organizations with environment-friendly buildings

Salem—The Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) recently joined the ranks of Marion County's "EarthWISE"—a designation for organizations who commit to observe environmentally-friendly practices in their facilities.

Such practices include green choices in operation and maintenance, as well as choices that buildings' occupants make. Such practices include buying recycled-content paper and developing an advanced recycling program.

"These agencies have made sustainability a priority," said DAS Director Scott Harra. "They have implemented practices that benefit the environment, the community, and the economy. They support the governor's vision for a sustainable state government through prudent use of resources."

Harra added that he believes that sustainable actions like these will compound across state government, helping to generate savings to taxpayers and environmental benefits.

DAS plans to host an awards ceremony for staff in these buildings on January 21 at 1:30 p.m. in the State Capitol Galleria. Everyone is welcome.

The following buildings received EarthWISE certification:

- Agriculture, 635 Capitol Street
- Archives, 800 Summer Street
- Commerce, 158 12th Street
- Employment, 875 Union Street
- Executive, 155 Cottage Street
- General Services, 1225 Ferry Street
- General Services Annex, 1257 Ferry Street
- Human Services, 500 Summer Street
- Justice, 1162 Court Street
- Labor & Industries, 350 Winter Street

- Maintenance Shop, 1240 Ferry Street
- North Mall Office, 725 Summer Street
- Print Plant, 550 Airport Road
- Property Distribution Center, 1655 Industrial Drive
- Public Service, 255 Capitol Street
- Real Estate, 1177 Center Street
- Revenue, 955 Center Street
- State Data Center, 530 Airport Road
- State Library, 250 Winter Street

The Salem Motor Pool received certification in early 2009.

To learn more about EarthWISE, visit <http://www.co.marion.or.us/PW/ES/earthwise/>

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