



# Issue Brief - 2009

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

## Deer Ridge Correctional Institution

Deer Ridge Correctional Institution (DRCI), the newest prison in Oregon, is located four miles east of the city of Madras in central Oregon. The prison comprises a 644-bed minimum-security facility and a 1,228-bed medium-security facility. Construction began in October 2005, and the first minimum-security inmates arrived in September 2007. The medium-security prison was completed in February 2008 and is expected to start receiving inmates in the latter part of 2013. This is Oregon's fourteenth prison.

The Department of Corrections (DOC) has appointed a Prison Advisory Committee (PAC) consisting of representatives from Jefferson County. The membership provides representation from a broad cross-section of backgrounds and local interests. The purpose of the PAC is to serve as a citizen advisory group to DOC regarding construction activities, correctional issues and other DOC activities that may affect communities in Jefferson County. In addition, the PAC promotes effective communication between the community and DOC.

### Site Information:

- Total acreage: 453
- Total acres used for placement of the facilities: 200

### Capacity:

- Budgeted capacity: 1,872
  - Minimum-security beds: 644 (212 of these beds will be dedicated to special treatment programs)
  - Medium-security beds: 1,228
- Inmate count on 10/15/2009: 611

**Number of staff:** 186 (expected to grow to 491 by February 2014)

**Union representation:** American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

### Program services:

- Education
- Drug and alcohol treatment
- Mental health treatment
- Cognitive programs
- Inmate work crews

### Oregon Corrections Enterprises (OCE) industries:

- Laundry Services

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**The mission of the  
Oregon Department of Corrections  
is to promote public safety by  
holding offenders accountable for their  
actions and reducing the risk of future  
criminal behavior.**



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