



Capitol Project Reporting Form (CPR-1)

Reporting Entity Identification and Contact

Facility

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Individual completing form

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Capital Project Qualitative Information

1. Provide a brief description of the project.

The Regional Medical Plaza (RMP), 710 Sunset Drive, La Grande, OR, is an existing, but outdated medical office facility that Grande Ronde Hospital (GRH) is improving and expanding into approximately 27,000 square feet of new and remodeled functional space to meet increasing patient demand for services. Once completed, this facility will accommodate GRH's specialty services clinics to include OB/GYN, Pediatrics, Orthopedics, Otolaryngology, Neurology, and General Surgery.

2. Proposed start date: 08/15/2014

3. Expected completion date: 10/01/2015

4. What is the expected project cost? \$6,836,928

5. Describe the expected benefits to the community that your facility serves. Include both direct financial benefits such as charity care as well as qualitative benefits such as access to care and quality improvements. Attach additional pages if needed.

GRH's OB/GYN and Pediatric services currently share one small building and are functioning without the required space for dedicated exam rooms and provider offices. Medical Providers are sharing space which is cramped for the accompanying staff. By moving these clinics into the RMP, GRH will be able to provide patients with additional services such as imaging, lab and behavioral health services.

In addition, Neurology and General Surgery are currently located at the Regional Medical Clinic (RMC), which is GRH's primary care clinic. Due to the significant local enrollment in the new health insurance exchanges, local patient demand for primary care has increased. GRH needs more providers which requires more space to provide services. Neurology and general surgery providers and their support staff are currently located in the RMC but will be relocated to the newly expanded and remodeled RMP to allow for additional primary care services at the RMC.

6. **In what ways may this project negatively impact the community that your facility serves? Include direct cost such as bonds as well as indirect impacts such as service interruptions. Attach additional pages if needed.**

There are no negative impacts to the community.

7. **How has your facility evaluated the need for this project within the community that you serve?**

At the end of 2014, 14 RMC providers cared for 9,000 patients with a number of new patients requesting services on a daily basis. Much of the increased demand was due to the more than 2,300 people in Union County who became eligible for Medicaid for the first time in January 2014. In addition, the RMC is one of only two certified Patient-Centered Primary Care Medical Homes in La Grande (the other being GRH's Children's Clinic), which resulted in some existing Medicaid patients change providers to take advantage of the medical home patient care model. Added to this is the impact of patients now enrolling under the Affordable Care Act.

8. **Are the medical services created by this project already available in the community that your facility serves?**

These services are performed in cramped and/or outdated space. It can take weeks to months for new patients to become established in one of GRH's clinics. In addition, existing patients are enduring longer waiting times for an appointment to accommodate new patients.

Public Notice and Comment

1. **Provide a link to the webpage where public notice of the capital project was posted. If your facility does not maintain a webpage provide the name of the newspaper where the public notice was made and date of publication. Attach additional pages if needed.**

No public notice is required. However, GRH gave notice of the project to the neighbors of the RMP clinic through a letter which is enclosed with this CPR-1.

2. Describe your facility's method of collecting and reviewing public comments on the capital project. Attach additional pages if needed.

N/A

*Signature:	Wade E. Weis
Date:	July 24, 2015

**Entry of name connotes signature*

Please **email** the completed form to: OHPR.DataSubs@state.or.us

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November 4, 2014

Dear Grande Ronde Hospital Regional Medical Plaza Neighbors:

I'm writing to provide you with information on the construction project currently underway at the Regional Medical Plaza (RMP) 710 Sunset Drive. We are improving and expanding the original footprint into approximately 27,000 square feet of new and remodeled space. This project is anticipated to take about one year. Once completed, the first floor will be completely new—designed to be comfortable and convenient for our patients including elevator access to the second floor.

The first-floor main entry will open onto the lobby and waiting area for both women's health and pediatric services. The current Women's and Children's clinics will relocate here. In addition to all the services currently offered at our Women's Clinic, the expanded women's health center at the RMP will also offer onsite mammography and ultrasound services. In addition, we have added an onsite lab draw station on the first floor that will be available to all RMP patients. The first floor will also house space for hospital education purposes.

The first-floor front entrance will feature a covered patient drop-off area and all sidewalks will be equipped with snow melt. Patient parking will be significantly expanded. Landscaping and lighting will be updated, as well.

The second floor will continue to house Dr. Petrusek's office, the GRH Ortho Clinic, the GRH Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Clinic. Neurologist Dr. Ricky Lim will also relocate to this space from the Regional Medical Clinic (RMC) and offer Neurology services. Second floor waiting and reception areas will also be remodeled to create on unified multi-level reception area above the new first-floor entry.

We have taken every effort to ensure that the RMP is being built with upgraded technology, security and energy conservation in mind, just as we did during the RMC

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expansion in 2006. Computers in every exam room will facilitate the electronic medical record of each patient. The building will be equipped with occupancy sensors for lighting, heating and cooling. It is being upgraded with new fire detection and sprinkler systems. Security cameras and badge access will be used for employee safety. In a power outage emergency lighting will be provided by the hospital's emergency power generation system.

Our priority in the neighborhood is to minimize impact during this process and after the building is complete. We are happy to provide more information and details along the way with tours and an open house planned upon completion.

We appreciate your patience and ask for your feedback should any concerns or questions arise. Please feel free to contact me at my direct number, the Technical Services Department at 541-963-1500, or either of the two project managers listed below. In addition, for emergencies our on call staff may be reached by calling 541-786-6042 or through the Hospital's main switch board at 541-963-8421.

Sincerely,

Elaine La Rochelle, CHFM

Director of Facilities

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