

# NEWS

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Despite the advent of winter, The Evergreen State College--faced with deadlines which must be met if the campus is to be ready for the first influx of students in September, 1971--is forging ahead with its construction schedule.

The first building project for the new college involves construction of the 337,000 square foot library, designed by the Seattle architectural firm of Durham, Anderson and Freed. Contract documents now are being reviewed by the federal government, which has allocated \$564,000 to the project. Pending approval at that level, construction bids should be advertised in January and a contract awarded late in February. Construction should start on or about March 1. The timetable allows 535 working days to complete the job, or by August 15, 1971, leaving college staff one month to occupy the building before the start of classes.

The building includes not only library and audio-visual space but also small classroom, office, storage and food service facilities.

The next three contracts to be awarded--all in late April or early May--involve construction of facilities which must be operational when the library is completed or prior to that time. One is for the college heating plant, a 25,000 square foot facility. Another is for college shops and garages, a relatively small project of 8,100 square feet.

The third--labeled site improvements--is a mammoth project involving a variety of jobs: development of the college utilities tunnel; construction of campus water and sanitary and storm sewer systems; building a 5,000-foot section of roadway connecting the main campus entryway to Kaiser Road; development of parking lots, installation of outdoor lighting; and construction of service roads.

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And, that's just part of the work scheduled for 1970. Bids for construction of the 15,000 square foot Lecture Hall Building will be called in April, with the construction start set for May.

Bids for the Student Residence Halls, which total 107,000 square feet, will be advertised in May and construction should begin in June. College Activities Building bids will be issued in June, with work on that 62,000 square foot structure expected to commence in July.

The Science Building and Gymnasium are scheduled for construction by the fall of 1970. First phase campus landscaping also will begin but at an undetermined date.

Meanwhile, off campus, the City of Olympia will be busy extending water and sanitary sewer facilities to the site to tie in with the development of college utilities systems.

Even prior to the start of construction, college staff will be engrossed with planning for facilities which must be built during the 1971-73 biennium to keep the physical plant in pace with expected enrollments. Since funding for those projects must come from the 1971 legislature following review by the governor's office, preliminary designs and cost figures have to be submitted by next July.

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