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Wauna Federal Credit Union to Open Branch in Scappoose; First LEED-Certified Building to be Constructed in Columbia County



Clatskanie OR - Wauna Federal Credit Union will be the first organization to construct a LEED-certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) building in Columbia County. The new Scappoose Branch is scheduled to open this fall at 5238 South Columbia River Highway, Hwy. 30, site of the former Carol's Place. The Scappoose Branch will be the Credit Union's 7th branch in Columbia and Clatsop Counties, and 2nd new branch to open in 2010 (Astoria Safeway Branch).

"Our green initiative at Wauna FCU helped to convince the board and staff that the time is right for us to step up and demonstrate our commitment not only to our members and the communities we serve, but also to our environment", reports Robert Blumberg, WFCU President/CEO.

Debi Smiley, WFCU Executive Vice President and COO, reinforces the importance on green as part of the branch construction. "The selection of our general contractor and sub-contractors has included a review of their organizations' green practices. The reach of the green factor extends well beyond just our footprint in the ground."

In addition to the new 'green' branch, the Credit Union offers a growing selection of green products, including loans, checking accounts and online services. "The new branch will also offer drive-up service including a 24-hour ATM, plus lobby service for members to apply for new accounts, loans and other products and services", says Christie Kiggins, who will serve as branch manager for both the new Scappoose Branch and her current role as manager of the St. Helens Branch.

Local residents will notice the first stages of construction in early June with the installation of a large

message sign on the property. The sign will initially provide a few brief messages and will then add time and temperature once the branch construction nears completion.

The Credit Union is planning for plenty of fanfare and activities to introduce Wauna Federal Credit Union into the community of Scappoose. This will include a groundbreaking ceremony, activities for local dignitaries, and a huge grand opening for the community.

Wauna Federal Credit Union is headquartered in Clatskanie, Oregon, and serves over 13,600 members. Branches are located in Astoria, Clatskanie, St Helens, Vernonia, and Warrenton. Everyone in Clatsop or Columbia Counties is eligible for membership with WFCU. For more information please call our toll-free number 800.773.3236 or visit our website at waunafcu.org.

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