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**Skanska Begins Construction on New Emergency Response Building**  
*Chemeketa Community College facility to serve as regional training center*

**BEAVERTON, Ore.** – Construction crews with Skanska USA Building will soon be breaking ground on Chemeketa Community College's new Emergency Response Building located at the school's Brooks Center just north of the Main Campus in Salem. The new three-story classroom will house dedicated training space for fire science, paramedic/EMT, law enforcement and criminal justice professionals and students.

"This new state-of-the-art facility will not only provide much needed classroom space for the college, it will truly be a resource center for the entire region," said Skanska Project Executive Joe Schneider. "The new center will serve as the training grounds for current as well as future public safety officers and emergency services personnel. We are excited to be a part of the team that is working to build this important public resource."

Chemeketa's Fire Science program is the third largest training program in the nation. Additionally, the college's criminal justice and EMT/Paramedic programs are recognized nationally for their graduates and competitive standards.

Skanska has deep expertise in the construction of higher education facilities throughout the Northwest. Over the past 10 years, the Skanska Oregon office has served as general contractor for: Clackamas Community College; the Kelley Engineering Center at Oregon State University; Portland Community College's Sylvania and Willow Creek campuses; Portland State University's Academic and Student Recreation Center; and multiple buildings on Washington State University's Pullman and Vancouver, Wash., campuses.

"Dedicating more resources to public safety training as well as integrating student and on-the-job training of working firefighters, law enforcement and EMTs is a major investment in our region's safety," said Chemeketa College Support Officer Craig Smith.

Slated for completion in the fall of 2011, Skanska estimates that the project will employ approximately 125 construction workers. In addition to new classrooms and labs, the 33,000-square-foot building will house: faculty and administrative offices; a cafeteria and coffee shop; a student lounge and lockers; a small library; and a conference room. The total budget for the new training facility is \$10,550,000.

A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for July 14, 2010, at 12:30 p.m. The event will be hosted by Chemeketa's Board of Education and President Cheryl Roberts. Prepared remarks also will be delivered by Marion County Sheriff and Chemeketa alumni Jason Myers, Willamette Valley Fire and Rescue Authority Fire Chief Kevin Henson, Director of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training for the State of Oregon Eric Gabliks, and the owner of Woodburn Ambulance Shawn Baird.

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