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TO: Oregon Newspaper Program (ONP) Subscribers

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SUBJECT: ONP Update

Oregon Libraries

Over the past few months, we have assessed several workflow possibilities, staff time, storage costs, and adapted our newspaper viewer software to accommodate born digital newspaper PDFs. The associated cost estimates for archiving digital copies of current Oregon newspapers for public accessibility indicate that for the next year, we will have the capacity to host and provide online access to all of the Oregon newspapers that we have been microfilming to date, within the current subsidy that UO Libraries has been providing for microfilming Oregon newspapers. After we have a full year of content, we will re-assess to gauge the accuracy of our estimates and any improvements needed for the workflow.

It is now in the hands of publishers to make sure their content is digitally archived through the Oregon Digital Newspaper Program (ODNP). We have already received signed license agreements and PDFs for 2015 newspaper issues from a handful of publishers. We are now asking for participation from the remaining publishers in Oregon. At this time, any publisher who submits a signed license agreement to us and provides PDF uploads of each issue to our Google Drive, will be included in the digital collection at Historic Oregon Newspapers online (http://oregonnews.uoregon.edu).

Below is a list of the newspaper titles that have been considered in our estimates for inclusion, pending publisher permission and PDF uploads. The newspapers that have already provided license agreements and/or PDF content are indicated. If your local publisher has not already submitted a signed license agreement and PDF content to us, please feel free to reach out and encourage their participation.

We are still on track with our estimated timeline for hosting current newspapers (published in 2015 and beyond) on Historic Oregon Newspapers online beginning in January 2016. As always, we will continue to send updates as pertinent information is released. We are excited about this news and hope that you are too, as we embark on a new stage of archiving Oregon newspaper content for the public and history!

Please send any questions to dsc@uoregon.edu.

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