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Fairchild Medical Center Launches \$42M Expansion to Transform Rural Healthcare in Siskiyou County

Yreka, CA – Fairchild Medical Center (FMC) is excited to announce the groundbreaking for its major hospital expansion, a \$42 million investment dedicated to transforming healthcare access in underserved rural Siskiyou County communities. This dynamic project delivers 25,000 square feet of new, state-of-the-art medical space, designed to address the critical needs of a region that has long faced economic and geographic hardships.

Key Elements of the Expansion:

- **New Emergency Department:** Ensures rapid, round-the-clock care.
- Modern Clinical Laboratory: Provides advanced diagnostics with precision.
- **Expanded Programs:** Expanding innovative services such as pain management and launching pulmonary rehabilitation.
- Upgraded Surgery Department: Elevates surgical care with advanced technology.
- Enhanced Primary Care: Expands capacity to serve community health needs.

"This expansion strengthens our promise to bring critical and modern healthcare to every corner of Siskiyou County. We are investing in the future health and vitality of our community," said Jonathon Andrus, President and Chief Executive Officer, FMC.

Project Details

Construction Start: Underway immediately

• Completion Date: June 2027

• Capital Campaign: FMC Foundation seeks \$5 million for long-term sustainability.

Event Invitation:

Community members, leaders, and media are invited to the groundbreaking ceremony.

Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: 475 Bruce Street, Yreka, CA

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