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OU building new overflow parking lot

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To provide some relief to the parking demands experienced this fall semester, and in preparation for the winter semester, Oakland University began construction of a new overflow parking lot on Friday, Oct. 26.

The lot, located south of Pioneer Drive near Library Drive, will have about 170 parking spaces, said Rusty Postlewate, associate vice provost for facilities management.

"The intent of the lot is that its primary use will be for daytime overflow parking," Postlewate said. "We feel that once the lot is completed, it will provide a good relief valve for the lots between Varner Hall and the Science and Engineering Building. The object is expediency and to have something in place before winter."

The lot will have two entrance/exit drives off of Pioneer Drive, with a crosswalk across Pioneer Drive and sidewalk along Library Drive. The completion date for the \$120,000 project is Nov. 30, Postlewate said.

The university also is in the process of hiring a firm to design a campus parking structure that will provide up to an additional 550 parking spaces. The structure will open sometime in fall 2002.

For more information and additional updates on parking related issues, please see the campus parking Web page.

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