Please note this message may contain information that some may find upsetting.

On October 15 around 8:30 p.m., Eugene Police received a call from a citizen who reported that her boyfriend was briefly chased by a man wielding a knife on the bike path on the south side of the river, near 8th Avenue and Hilyard Street.

The suspect was described as having long hair and baggy clothes; no other description was available. The caller reported that as the victim approached on the path, the suspect came out of woods and asked for help, then pulled a knife and chased the victim down the path a short distance.

The area is frequented by students and university employees, who should use caution on the paths, especially in the dark or in areas with poor visibility.

Anyone with information about this or similar incidents should call Eugene Police at 541-682-5111 or UOPD at 541-346-2919. Updates regarding this incident, when and if available, will be posted on the UOPD website at police.uoregon.edu.

CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS FROM UOPD

- No action or inaction by a crime survivor makes that person responsible for his or her victimization. Perpetrators are responsible for crimes and their effects. The following suggestions may help reduce the possibility of experiencing a crime, or may improve opportunities to receive prompt assistance.

- It is a crime to intentionally touch someone against his or her will, regardless of the situation.

- Encourage friends to travel in pairs or with trusted companions, especially at night or in remote areas.

- Use UO Safe Ride (541-346-RIDE ext. 2), call a taxicab, or contact UOPD for an on-campus escort (541-346-2919).

- If you feel you or others are in danger, call 9-1-1.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR SURVIVORS OF CRIME

- For students, a range of support services are available through the Office of the Dean of Students, 541-346-3216; uodos@uoregon.edu.

- For students, personal counseling and other support services are available through the University Counseling and Testing Center, 541-346-3227 (available 24 hours); counseling.uoregon.edu/dnn.

- For students, medical and sexual assault examination services are available at University Health Center, 541-346-2770; healthcenter.uoregon.edu.

- For employees, the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity, 541-346-3123, and Office of Human Resources, 541-346-3159, can assist in connecting to resources.

- Other community resources available are Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS), 541-343-7277 (24 hour crisis line) or 541-484-9791, Womenspace, 541-485-8232 or 541-485-6513 (24 hour crisis line), and White Bird Clinic Counseling, 541-342-8255 541-687-4000 (24 hour crisis line).