Grocery Outlet coming to VS

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Grading has begun in preparation to build a new Grocery Outlet in Valley Springs.

Construction at the site off Jean Street is anticipated to be completed by July 11, 2019, said Bill Coyle of Grocery Outlet's real estate team.

The store will be approximately 18,000 square feet and have about 20 employees, he said.

"We are excited to be in Valley Springs and we do well in the foothills. There has been so much demand from people in the surrounding area asking for us and we responded to that demand."

Grocery Outlet has more than 300 stores in California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Pennsylvania. The closest Grocery Outlet to Valley Springs is located in Jackson.

"We offer unique items for substantial savings," Coyle said, "in addition to a wide assortment of items that people need and want everyday. In many cases you can save up to 70 percent for some items in comparison to normal conventional store prices."

He believes Grocery Outlet and Valley Springs' lone supermarket, Mar-Val, can co-exist and the competition will be good for customers.

"We'll provide a great shopping experience and great savings to the people of Valley Springs and we expect the other grocers will step up their game."