



Event Center

Project Newsletter

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Summer is the Season!

by Washington County Project Manager, Geoffrey Kavulya

Summer! Summer! Summer! With the sunshine and the great strides, summer is the season we inch closer to wrapping up groundwork. In the first iteration of slab on grade (SOG) scope, we poured 296 yards of concrete in Area A. The next big pour (Area B) occurred on June 5th, and Area C is planned for June 12th.

Our longest path consists of glazing and electrical gear submittals, fabrication of steel, Cross Laminated Timber (CLT), roofing, and interior finishes. We are also tracking well with site civil activities, framing and Mechanical Electrical Plumbing (MEP) rough-in for the Expo Hall. At the tail end of the project path, we have lined up commissioning and owner training, pre-punch list and punch list activities. The current path varies slightly from last month's critical path due to the review and approval of several critical submittals necessary to release materials for fabrication. We have made up time on the MEP underground as a result of early foundation completion. Moreover, we wrapped up the vapor barrier install and had a third-party inspection done on 05/15/2019. Double thumbs up!!!

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A view of the lobby and large video wall concept



Project News: Interior Space Design

By Gail Sargent
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From the time the major architectural concept for the Event Center began to take shape in 2017, LRS Architects has been working to develop complementary designs for the interior of the building as well. Major themes for the public circulation spaces include: bringing exterior masonry and metal panel elements inside where restroom and meeting room volumes penetrate the glazed walls of east and south facades; exposing the soaring roof structure of glulam beams and cross-laminated timber (CLT) decking; and, wood slat wall treatment at recessed entries to Exhibit Hall, Conference Rooms and Meeting Rooms. Wing-shaped pendant light fixtures that echo the primary roof forms, custom designed carpets and a large video wall in the Lobby enhance the visitor experience upon entering the Event Center.

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Contractor Spotlight: Dennis Fults Plumbing Superintendent, Mechanical Systems, Inc.

By John Ciepiela
Project Manager, Swinerton Builders

Dennis Fults is the Plumbing Superintendent for Mechanical Systems Inc. (MSI) and has been working in the Portland metro area for almost 20 years. Originally from North Plains, he graduated from Glencoe High School. After starting his apprenticeship as a plumber in 2000, Dennis has been working on commercial, assisted living, multi-family high rise and commercial tenant improvement projects from La Grande to Seaside. As the plumbing field lead, Dennis is responsible for MSI's delivery of storm, water, sewer and gas services to the building. He works directly with other field/trade leads to coordinate weekly to ensure a "clash-free" delivery of the utilities in the structure. Some of his favorite projects have been the Dave's Killer Bread's Baking Factory in Milwaukee and his recent four year stretch of high rise work in the Pearl District.



Dennis Fults
Plumbing Superintendent
Mechanical Systems, Inc.

When Dennis isn't gluing pipe together, you can find him doing anything outdoors and working on his truck. An avid fisherman and hunter all his life, Dennis boasts a mastery of salmon and steelhead knowledge. Dennis also enjoys dumping money and time into his boat that he keeps in the water year round! Dennis passes on his knowledge of the outdoors to his two kids that enjoy the PNW outdoors as well. As a local boy, Dennis enjoys 4H and corndogs annually and is excited to bring his expertise to a project that helps shape the fairgrounds. Mechanical Systems Inc. is proud to provide services for the Washington County Event Center so close to their doors.

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Summer is the Season!

In the spirit of safety first, safety always, our leadership walks the talk during a recent tour depicted above. Notably, the project site has maintained a perfect safety record since groundbreaking. We currently have a crew of about 60 working on various aspects of the project. As we get ready to undertake the superstructure work, we expect to ramp up the number of crew significantly.

In the words of our project superintendent Nate Weide, "Best Team Ever (BTE) is knocking it out of the park." Special thanks go out to County leadership for all the support behind the scenes. Big thanks to both the Swinerton and LRS leadership for their support to keep things moving forward. Last, we cannot forget our fiduciary partners Washington County Visitors Association and the City of Hillsboro. Thank you all.

Amid all the upcoming project activities, we hope to stretch summer to the fullest and even try to conserve a little bit of the season for a rainy day.

As always thank you for all you do BTE!

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Project News: Interior Space Design



-Conceptual design of the Conference Space interior

Operable walls in the large Conference Room create up to four smaller spaces as needed for specific events. Acoustic wall and ceiling treatments ensure sound clarity as well as privacy. Wood slat 'wings' suspended in coffered ceilings link the Conference spaces to the warm wood finishes found in public areas. All materials were selected to provide high-level and durable finishes built to last.

The dynamic design of the interiors carefully integrated with the architecture of the building will ensure that the Event Center will be a state-of-the-art facility ready to serve the County for years to come.



Conceptual design of the Concession lobby interior

