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Crews chip out bridge joints on the I-105 project in Eugene.

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Wildish at Work



Crews were off to a strong start on the Lane County Coburg Road project.

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PM **Stan Gappa** reports that **Rick Hamm** and his crew have completed the back-filling of the ADA ramps on Lane County's Centennial Overlay project. Paving Superintendent **Marty Collins** and his crews will complete the asphalt paving, placing 6,040 tons of asphalt on Centennial Avenue, Aspen Street and Sequoia Avenue. Superintendent **Rick Hamm** and his crew will adjust the utilities to grade and provide traffic control for the permanent striping. Completion date is June 30th.

The City of Eugene's Amazon Active Corridor project will restart on June 17th with installation of a water line and three pedestrian bridges, and construction of about three miles of pedestrian paths. It includes adding concrete paths to connect the new bridges to the neighborhoods. The project starts on June 17th because of the requirements to not disturb nearby native soils and grasses.

WCC was awarded the next phase of the City of Eugene's Taxiway Alpha Rehab project, which includes 18,300 cubic yards of excavation and placement of 17,687 lineal feet of underground storm piping, 39,083 tons of subbase rock, 20,106 tons of cement-treated base and 25,020 tons of asphalt. Subcontractors will install electrical conduits, signs, and lights, and complete permanent markings. **Marty Collins** and his paving crew will wait while **Scott Rogge** and his crew do this work.

(continued)



WCC employees Jonpaul Williams, Jason Johnson, and Rick Clark place the second of two vaults on the Zip-O-Log project.

All work through asphalt paving must be completed within 80 days, leaving 10 days to bring the structures up to final grade and complete the first coat of permanent striping. Wildish Sand & Gravel Company will make materials that meet the tight tolerances of an FAA project with enough trucks to finish on time. Wildish Equipment Company mechanics will ensure the equipment is running optimally.

WCC received a Notice of Intent to Award for the City of Eugene's Fair Oaks, Bedford Way, and Lariat Drive Street Preservation project. This includes some ADA ramp construction, 2,229 lineal feet of storm pipe installation, 19,556 square yards of full-depth reclamation and 7,400 tons of asphalt paving. This project should be completed by mid-August.

According to PM **Colin Cunningham**, Skycastle Subdivision is awaiting warmer weather for the final paving that will finish the 2 1/2-year project.

Work is underway at the Zip-O-Log Mill log yard, where **Jonpaul Williams** and his crew set two 16-foot-long storm vaults, and concrete supervisors **Tom Miles**

and **Matt Parker** and their crews poured 300 cy of concrete slabs. Finish grading is in process to get ready for 9,500 tons of asphalt paving.

At the Parkway Industrial Center, Wildish is constructing the site work for the final two buildings. Building slabs are done. Final grading, concrete and paving will occur this summer.

Wildish was the successful bidder for the site concrete work at the new University of Oregon Knight Campus for the Acceleration of Scientific Impact (KCASI). Work will start this summer. We are also bidding on the site concrete for the new parking garage.

Grinding and paving work is scheduled for the Seneca Sawmill yard on Highway 99.

On the Shell New Energies project, PM **Matthew Young** reports that Superintendent **Pete Linscott** and crew continue to finish grading work. Meanwhile WBC supervisor **Jason Blackmore's** crew builds the two tank foundations, which have nearly 68,000 pounds of rebar being tied by subcontractor Santiam Steel while Blackmore's crew installs the formwork.

At the City of Eugene 2019 Wastewater Extension project, Superintendent **Mike Skeele** and his crew are installing an extension to the City of Eugene's wastewater system. This work includes five new manholes and over 1,100 feet of new sanitary pipe.

Superintendent **Mike Skeele's** crew began the Veneta 8th Street Water Main project in May. The work includes installing 2,400 lineal feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main with 36 new water services. It involves excavation and regrading of the entire road, as well as new paving. It is scheduled for completion in late July.

Supervisor **Jason Johnson's** crew is installing a new water main on Villard Street, near Matthew Knight Arena. Work includes over 800 feet of new water line, and eight new service laterals.

PM **Kevin Friedel** said that after winter shutdown, work will resume on the ODOT OR126 Cornerstone to Terry Street project. This includes bridge rail replacement and road widening work near the Ellmaker, Shady Rest, and Lakeside intersections. Inlay/Overlay paving from Green Hill Road to Terry Street was done this spring.

The Lane County Coburg Road project has two sections: 1.5 miles in the north end of Eugene and almost a mile through the middle of the city of Coburg. Work will include removals and construction for 111 ADA ramps in 69 locations, 12,000 tons of asphalt paving, and building new bridge approaches and waterproofing. Preliminary sidewalk and ADA ramp work began in mid-March, with the asphalt paving work contractually required to wait until after May 15th. Work must be completed by October 15th.

The work for Shadow Hills Country Club, which begins in June, will have about 1,000 tons of asphalt milling and almost 1,200 tons of asphalt to resurface the east entrance to the club.

Wildish Building Co.

At the Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission (MWMC) facility in Eugene, **Tim Bonn** reports that work is substantially complete on the maintenance building expansion. In the new laboratory building, the installation of the systems was completed in April and the various systems will be commissioned in May.

All work is complete at the Kingsford project. The new facility includes a new pre-engineered metal building encompassing a 9,300-square-foot loading dock, 13 overhead doors and three ramps covering an additional 3,500 square feet.

WBC was awarded the contract to build a new \$2M senior center in Dallas. This building will be a traditional two-story, 4,171-square-foot stick frame structure with a parking lot and landscaping. Work is scheduled to be completed in one year. The project will be led by PM **Tim Bonn**, PS **Brian Hill**, and PE **Myranda Kelly**.

WBC was the apparent low bidder on the new Chintimini Senior and Community Center in Corvallis. The scope of work on this \$3.8M project includes remodeling 5,500 square feet of the existing center and adding 2,500 square feet. The project will include a parking lot and site improvements. Project support will be provided by **Tim Bonn**, **Brian Hill**, and **Myranda Kelly**.

PM **Matt Wynne** says all switchgear were demolished at the Carmen Powerhouse substation project, and new gear is being installed. Substation structures and equipment were removed, and Wildish crews are demolishing topping slab. With the leadership of Superintendent **Jake Stucky**, Wildish and subcontractor crews will install waterproofing, equipment pads, concrete topping slab, and begin construction on a new control room. Christenson Electric, will continue installing new switchgear, control panels, cabling, and substation structures. Wildish crews will work with Omega Morgan to haul two 115kV generation step-up transformers, weighing 165,000 pounds each, to the project site. Completion date is November 19th.

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On the Menlo Drive project in Beaverton, PM **Alan Bird** said the entire east side has been stripped for new sidewalks, and crews are placing the last of the underground. Electrical is roughed in, poles have been set and curbs are complete, including 10 locations with thickened curb for LIDA swales. Crews are working on driveway and sidewalk finished grades, as well as asphalt patching. Landscaping has started. The project, to be completed in May, is supported by Project Superintendent **Dan Payne**, Foreman **Mike Kivett** and PM **Alan Bird**.

PM **Ryan Elliott** says Supervisor **Scott Wade** has prepared the Foster project for top lift paving. Striping to finish the job is scheduled for May. **Curtis Fenner** provided engineering support for this difficult project.


Dan Lutze, **Ryan Carter** and crew have completed deck repairs on four of the eight

viaduct bridges on the Fremont project. The crew installed needed containment to prepare for the bridge joint replacement work that began in May – on the weekends only. This \$15M project includes replacement of 21 bridge joints, as well as deck overlays on five of the interchange ramps on both ends of the bridge and on US 26 from I-405. Completion date is November 2020.

PE **Matt Olney** reports that on the I-105: Willamette River Connections project, work has progressed to Stage 2, where crews led by **Shawn Cook**, **Tony Perez**, **Ryan Winn** and **Jason Baxter** are upgrading the viaduct bridges. This work includes bridge rail, bridge joints, deck strengthening, seismic upgrades, illumination, PPC overlay and moment slabs. Stage 2 will progress in several phases, with work on all four viaduct bridges going into the fall.

PE **Scott Hovgaard** reports that asphalt pavement repairs and paving are nearly done at the Halsey/Weidler Streetscape project, and the concrete subcontractor completed the nine remaining concrete islands on NE Weidler St. Final striping, installation of precast concrete seat blocks, bike racks and handrails, final adjustments to manholes and the last 5% of landscape plantings will finish the project before the June 30th deadline.



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From the Top

At our annual Wildish Supervisors' Meeting in March, attendees were challenged by the keynote speaker, Jimmy Page, to come up with one word to live by that would change their lives. They compiled a list, and then each person was challenged to choose three words that best described to them what Wildish is all about. Not surprisingly, the most selected word was "family."



As a family-run business, Wildish takes great pride in the people who work with the company to build projects that benefit the communities in which we live. Many of our employees have been with us for 10, 20, 30 – or even 40 years or more! This isn't typical of a lot of construction firms, and it speaks to our employees' loyalty and commitment, both of which we've valued all these years. It speaks to family.

But loyalty and commitment are a two-way street. The owners and managers have endeavored to create an environment where people don't just want to stay, but they thrive while here. That begins with hiring people who believe in our corporate culture, who believe in a fair day's work for a fair day's pay, and who fit in. They become members of our extended Wildish family.

Family members take care of each other and make sure that everyone is safe. "Safety" was another word most selected by employees to describe Wildish. No one wants to see a family member injured—the personal costs to the employee and his/her family are too great and, let's face it, safety plays a huge role in our success. The safer we are, the less likely that someone is injured, thus lowering our workers' compensation insurance costs and allowing us to more competitively bid projects. Winning more projects ensures that employees continue to work, and so the cycle of family caring for family continues.

Isn't it interesting how one word can change our view? As we embark on another busy construction season, what one word would you choose for yourself that will change your life?

- **Bill Wildish**

After removing the existing sidewalk on the Halsey/Weidler project, talented crews grouted sections together in layers to form this wall surrounding the newly built stormwater facility.



Around The Yard

Great work **Rene Miller**

and **Mike Cruikshank** set up at Salem Career Fair (for high school students)—exposing them to our Wildish brand. Great job by Rene coordinating this for several years! The props are first class. We should all be proud.



Congratulations Ryan and Mallory Drake welcomed their first child, Daisy Ryan Drake, on May 5th. Daisy weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz., and is 19-inches long. Best wishes to the Drake family!

701 Shop mechanic Daniel Hurst welds steel pieces onto a loader bucket.



Recognition of Service

Special thanks go to all who joined Wildish one, five, 10, 15, 20 or more years ago during the months of May, June and July.

43 YEARS

Tim Hendrix

42 YEARS

Jim Thomas

41 YEARS

Rickey Hamm

40 YEARS

Roger Baxter
Raleigh Larson

39 YEARS

Bryan Spangler

31 YEARS

Jeffrey Frank
Colin Cunningham

30 YEARS

Trudy Peron
Dawn Drury-Odom

28 YEARS

James Anderson

26 YEARS

Philip Johnson Jr.

24 YEARS

Michael Dahl
Jason White
Scott Rogge
Jeffrey Lacava

23 YEARS

Tony Koker

22 YEARS

Matthew Parker
Gary Monson
Eric Holland

21 YEARS

Kristi Hagen
Brad Brock

20 YEARS

Melanie Galon

15 YEARS

Steven Ramey

10 YEARS

Jason Harra
Joe Peterson
William Story
Paul Veronin

5 YEARS

Allen Taylor
Scotty Bean
Gonzalo Sanchez

1 YEAR

William Hastings
Colton White
Kevin Gullickson
Kevin Hoelz
Thomas Holland
Robert Gay
Michael Hill
Patterson Hoopai
Marco Vasquez Owen
Douglas Swezey
Rodney Wood
Brenden Boettcher
Troy Witzel
Chase Plummer



Get A Load Of This

On the WSTP Halsey project in Portland, our work comes up to the doorsteps of many businesses. **Joe Peterson** received kudos for himself and for Wildish from this fly fishing business owner:

The purpose of my letter is to commend Joe Peterson. It is so easy to complain when a negative situation arises, that I feel compelled to share what I deem as a very positive situation.

Joe has done an outstanding job of communicating and coordinating with me, as well as reacting to any issues that have come up with your subs. Having been in business for the last 26 years, we have seen our share of road construction. I have never had a project leader that made me feel as if they cared about my business. That is until now. Joe has truly been a diamond in this 'rough' road construction.

The City of Beaverton recently commented on the Menlo Drive Sidewalk Project, which fronts 31 properties, and what it means to work with Wildish:

Though the project is technically not demanding, the relationship and communication with 31 property owners has been challenging. I can easily say that Wildish Standard Paving is one of the best, if not the best, construction companies that I have worked with over the past 20 years in dealing with adjacent property owners. ...Even in the heat of battle when construction may not have been going as planned, Wildish would take the time to respond to an owner request.

WCC PM Kevin Friedel instructs field supervisors about the business side of construction.

