



Construction Progress Update: February 2025

We are excited to share the latest progress on the construction of the Marion County Public Health Laboratory. The project is advancing steadily, and here are some key updates from the site:

Site and Utility Work

- Excavating and undercutting for foundation pour is underway. Some areas required deeper excavation, with additional shoring and backfill, to meet support testing requirements.
- The crane for setting structural steel has arrived onsite in preparation for the steel deliveries beginning at the end of the month.

Permitting

- Outstanding permits have been approved and released, allowing Poindexter to complete the remaining stormwater piping activities.

Building Foundation

- Column Footers: Wilhelm is pouring the concrete footers that will support the structural columns. As the footers cure, the holes are being backfilled and leveled.
- Foundation Wall: Wilhelm has poured the East and South exterior foundation walls.

Systems Coordination

- Ongoing coordination with CIS, Facilities, and Security departments is focused on cable management, IT/data rooms, security access, cameras, and fire protection systems.
- System expectations and vendor proposals are being reviewed with the Purchasing Department to ensure alignment with project needs.

Construction Procurement Progress

- Key building components will begin to be delivered to the site in the coming weeks, including:
 - Building framing and structural steel
 - Masonry
 - MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing) equipment
 - Elevators, gates, fences, door frames, generators, and more

Upcoming Activities

Despite pockets of inclement weather, site and foundation work will continue throughout the remainder of the winter season. During this time, the project team will focus on:

- Preparing the site to receive delivery of structural steel members.
- Fire protection design and State submission.
- Preparing for upcoming milestones and ensuring readiness for the next phases of construction.
- Exterior framing is slated to begin mid-March.
- Rough-ins for site lighting locations.
- PR team is working on community and artist engagement plan on artwork

We will continue to provide updates on progress, community activities, and milestone events as the project moves forward...if you have any questions, comments regarding the new laboratory building construction and the overall Meadows Campus development initiatives, please feel free to contact Pink Bissett at PBissett@HHCorp.org.

Thank you for your continued support, feedback, and commitment to this important development project!



Figure 1: Setting of the Elevator Shaft, located in the central corridor of the building.



Figure 2: Concrete footers for structural columns



Figure 3: Parking lot stabilization completed



Figure 4: Setting the South Foundation Wall



Figure 5: Undercutting for ground stabilization prior to foundation pour