



# Wingspan Event and Conference Center

## Project Newsletter

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## Navigating change....

by Washington County Project Manager, Geoffrey Kavulya

This month's project update is uniquely different from the past nineteen updates, what is consistent is that every project encounters issues requiring a change in process. We are dealing with COVID-19 in the midst of construction and as such, we have had to make major adjustments whose impact on the project are yet to be determined.

Our project philosophy is safety first safety always. Therefore, we have laid out a COVID-19 plan that touches on key priorities. First, our number one goal is to protect the project team, stakeholders and community. Above all, we always put the team's health ahead of project deadlines. We have not only transitioned into teleworking but also put in place a framework for social distancing for those tasks that cannot be executed remotely. Moreover, we have revamped the project risk register to include a series of scenarios informed by COVID-19 driven risks such as disruption of labor, supply chains, procurement commitments, deliveries of materials and project shutdowns among others, as well as the attendant mitigation strategies.

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The Wingspan Event and Conference Center  
Social Distancing even on the job.





## Project Updates

By: John Ciepiela

With Covid-19 changing the American landscape, how we do business at the Wingspan is no exception. Our goal for every project is to tackle challenges to provide a quality project and safe working environment for all that are involved. With hundreds of subcontractors, consultants, and small business supporting the project, it has been the personal charge of the Swinerton team to create the safest work environment we can so the project can continue, keeping family incomes consistent and cashflow to as many businesses as we can.

When I was asked to share last week how we have adapted, I didn't expect to try and encompass so many efforts. The easy change was in the office. Some of us are working from home and just visiting the jobsite, while the more essential project team work stations are now spread out across the trailer. Our supervisor meetings have moved to the North offices where 15 people can spread out and still communicate the needs of the job (over a speakerphone). Our design and owner coordination meetings are now done remote. Starting this next week, we are going to implement temporal scanning daily to help educate and create a more secure feeling for craft personnel working on the jobsite.

To help meet this Swinerton goal, our cleanup crews have really taken a personal charge in keeping the site a healthy place to come to work. Last week we started with continual cleanings of frequently touched surfaces. This includes everything from door handles, light switches, handrails, manlifts, freezer drapes, and the list goes on. They have also been responsible for the maintenance of newly installed hand washing stations. This effort is continuous. The biggest sacrifice they have made is putting in the long hours to do this during working hours and their normal continual cleanup duties for the site later in the days and during weekends. Letisha, Kaitlyn, and Caroline deserve our thanks many times over!



Pictured above and below  
- Rigorous cleaning of touch points



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Left- Project Manager Geoffrey Kavulya tours the solar array of the Wingspan.

As a team, we endeavor to sustain frank conversations with our stakeholders and County leadership on what-if scenarios germane to project delays and/or shutdown. Additionally, in these times of uncertainty and fear, we have notched up communication. We will be providing constant updates on how COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the project as well as how we are adapting to the times. Furthermore, we have instituted regular review check-ins to reevaluate plans and responses, as well as a framework to adapt quickly as risks evolve.

It is worthwhile to point out that, in terms of safety and logistics, the project site has remained safe since groundbreaking. Unfortunately, our expected activity ramp-up in the next few months, has suffered immensely with our 87-person crew executing various scopes of the project dropping to mid-50s. We are at 60-70% staffing which, will undoubtedly impact schedule, but again team's health precedes project deadlines.

Since the project team is working remotely for most part, we have endeavored to sustain a close-knit team, founded on a culture of mutual trust. I want to thank every project team member for going over and above the call of duty to deal speedily and constructively with concerns and issues as they arise. A big thank you to all our subcontractors doing the heavy lifting literally, while social distancing. It is a non-trivial fete.

A big thank you to all our stakeholders, County leadership and all the fans of Wingspan Event and Conference Center for their continued and firm support in these challenging times. We look forward to a substantial completion sometime in 2020. Remember to check our time lapse camera via <https://app.oxblue.com/open/washingtonco/eventcenter> for quick project snapshots.

As always, thank you for all you do.



**Team Spotlight:**  
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**Food Service Consultant,**  
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Laura Bourland, FSCI  
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Laura joined Halliday Associates in 1983 and has since accumulated an extensive amount of experience in the design of commercial Kitchens in the Pacific NW and beyond. As Principal-in-Charge her responsibilities include meeting with clients, planning, specifying equipment, and construction phase coordination; seeing the project through until it is complete. She enjoys the challenge of taking the clients vision and developing an efficient design that meets the programmatic needs.

Working with the Client and Design Team on the Washington County Event Center project Kitchen and Concessions design has been an enjoyable experience for Laura and her team. LRS Architects attention to detail regarding how to best meet the Washington County's conferencing needs helped give her clear direction every step of the way. Meetings with user groups as well as potential vendors who will eventually operate the space gave invaluable insight as equipment selections were made to support the Food Service Program. "The new Wingspan Event and Conference Center is a beautiful facility and it has been an honor to be a part of the process!"



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## Project Schedule

## Archive Issues:

[www.co.washington.or.us/Fair/washington-county-event-center.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/Fair/washington-county-event-center.cfm)

WBS / Activity	Activity ID	Start	Finish	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Ma	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Fe
<b>WCEC Milestone Schedule</b>		4/30/2019 A	4/13/2020																							
◆ Foundations Complete	A1000	4/30/2019A	4/30/2019 A																							
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◆ Area B SOG Complete	A1020	6/5/2019	6/5/2019																							
◆ Area C SOG Complete	A1030	11/11/2019 A	11/11/2019 ...																							
◆ Area D SOG Complete	A1040	11/20/2019 A	11/20/2019 ...																							
◆ Start of Structural Steel	A1050	7/31/2019 A	7/31/2019 A																							
◆ Structural Steel Complete	A1060	10/14/2019 A	10/14/2019 ...																							
◆ Start of Mass Timber	A1070	8/30/2019 A	8/30/2019 A																							
◆ Mass Timber Complete	A1080	10/4/2019 A	10/4/2019 A																							
◆ Start of Roofing	A1090	10/1/2019 A	10/1/2019 A																							
◆ Roofing Complete	A1100	11/15/2019 A	11/15/2019 ...																							
◆ Start MEP Building Rough In	A1110	10/21/2019 A	10/21/2019 ..																							
◆ MEP Building Rough In Complete	A1120	3/23/2020 A	3/23/2020 A																							
◆ PGE Power Complete	A1130	3/2/2020 A	3/2/2020 A																							
◆ Start Solar Installation	A1140	11/19/2019 A	11/19/2019 ...																							
◆ Solar Installation Complete	A1150	1/27/2020 A	1/27/2020 A																							
◆ Start of Building Finishes	A1160	10/28/2019 A	10/28/2019 ...																							
◆ Building Finishes Complete	A1170	4/13/2020 A	4/13/2020 A																							
◆ Start of Landscape	A1180	10/9/2019 A	10/9/2019 A																							
◆ Landscape Complete	A1190	2/24/2020 A	2/24/2020 A																							

## Watch the project:

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